

Study

The faculty offers English-language degree programmes in General Medicine (6-year course leading to MD) and Dentistry (5-year, DMD) according to exactly the same standards as their Czech counterparts. In addition, the faculty offers a variety of Czech-language programmes leading to Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Addictology, Physiotherapy, Ergotherapy, Nutritional Therapy, Intensive Care, and Midwifery.

International student activities are centred around MedSoc

The student organisation of English-speaking medical and dental students coordinates the extracurricular activities of our international students. It organises academic and surgical workshops, job fairs, helps the first-year

students get oriented, and engages in numerous other activities such as charity work. It works closely with its Czech counterpart, Spolek Mediků Ceských. More information:  <https://www.facebook.com/lflmedsoc>

Special features, research, student life

Research is an essential activity at the First Faculty of Medicine. The faculty's scientists and researchers of the faculty conduct basic, translational, epidemiologic and clinical research across a broad spectrum of biomedical fields. The Faculty cooperates closely with the General University Hospital and other partners to bring research from “bench to bedside”.

The Faculty has at its disposal key research expertise in the fields of cardiovascular and metabolic diseases, oncology, neurosciences, neonatology and perinatology, and hereditary metabolic disorders.

The flagship teams of the Faculty include the labs of Dr. Kmoch at the Institute of Inherited Metabolic Disorders, and Profs. Trněný and Klener at the 1st Department of Medicine – Department of Haematology. The strongest publication activity comes also from the 3rd Department of Medicine – Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism.

The Centre for Advanced Preclinical Imaging /CAPI/

A state-of-the-art facility enabling various form of visualisation in experimental animals including CT, MRI, PET/SPECT and MPI – was recently opened with the support of the European Regional Development Fund. The centre is integrated into the EUROIMAGING pan-European research infrastructure. Faculty

research teams also participate on the BIOCEV project (www.biocev.eu).

Simulators

The use of simulators in training future physicians is currently a standard teaching method at all renowned universities. A simulation centre enables students, starting from the first year of study, to link their practical skills with theoretical knowledge using predefined clinical examples. This is why the First Faculty of Medicine established its own Centre of Medical Simulations (SIM Centre), one of the best-equipped teaching facilities of this kind in the Czech Republic.



First Faculty of Medicine



CHARLES
UNIVERSITY



The First Faculty of Medicine of Charles University was established in 1348 as one of the University's four founding faculties (with the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Law, and Faculty of Theology).

It is the oldest medical faculty in Central Europe and the 11th oldest medical institution in the world. Situated in the centre of Prague, the faculty provides education in all fields of general medicine. It is regularly ranked in the top 1% of medical faculties globally. In 1882, as part of the division of the university during the Austro-Hungarian Empire, a separate German faculty was founded (this faculty was disbanded in 1945). In 1953 the former Faculty of Medicine in Prague was divided into three medical faculties: the Faculty of General Medicine, the Faculty of Paediatric Medicine, and the Faculty of Hygiene. Following the Velvet Revolution, these three faculties developed into the First, Second and Third Faculty of Medicine, respectively.



Number
of students
**more than
5,200**



Number of
international
students
1,650



22 Study
programmes
in foreign
languages



Number
of departments
and institutes
76

Success story – MATHILDE JENSRUD

My name is Mathilde Jensrud and I am from Norway and the US. I graduated from the First Faculty of Medicine of Charles University in June 2016 and I can honestly say that studying in Prague has been one of my greatest experiences. Not only did it give me the knowledge that I now possess to practice medicine, it has also given me the experience of living in one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. There are countless parks, museums, restaurants, cafes, bars, and much more – there's truly something for everyone!

The parallel English-language student organisation LFI MEDSOC provides great academic and student support, as well as arranging numerous activities for students. There is a broad international community amongst the students, which encourages cultural interactions, diversity and friendships.

I am now working as a 'junior doctor' in a hospital situated on the West coast of Norway. As part of the Norwegian internship, I will be spending six months each in the following three medical fields: surgery, internal medicine and general practice.

I am currently working in the surgery department. My shifts include working in the ER as well as in the wards. Studying at the First Faculty of Medicine has given me the ground-work necessary to work in the hospital.

I am very grateful for having been given the opportunity to study at the First Faculty of Medicine of Charles University. Prague will always feel like home to me. I can strongly recommend this school, and I wish all prospective students the best of luck!



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