New Trends in Higher Education in Czech Republic

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45 minutes about Czechia? Impossible!

1. Czech Educational System

2. Advantages of Czech ES

3. How to learn Czech and how to receive Czech Diploma

4. Newest trends in the Czech educational market
Have you been to Prague?

Is Prague included in your business plan? Yes? No? Oh, we would like to know.
Some facts about Czechia

- 2016 - 6th safest country in the world.
- 10 million people
- Capital Prague
- Fastest growing economy in EU
- 12 UNESCO protected heritage sights in Czech Republic.
- one of the most attractive Erasmus programme destinations. - 12th most popular
- Last but not least: low living cost and great beer for the cheapest price in Europe
Education in numbers

• 26 public
• 41 private higher education institutions
• more than 240 000 students.
• 12000 russian speaking students
• 1000 accredited study programmes in English

A total of 12 universities in the Czech Republic feature in the top 200 of the QS University Rankings: EECA 2016

Charles University places fourth in the EECA rankings. Czech Technical University is at joint 7th place.
## Educational system

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Higher education

The main tuition language is **Czech**, however the range of programmes in foreign languages (mainly in **English**) is growing.

The academic year is divided in **two semesters**:

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Thanks to the **ECTS** you can choose most of your subjects in an online educational system.
The highest-ranked university in the Czech Republic, Charles University, places fourth in the EECA rankings, is the country’s largest university, with 17 faculties and more than 50,000 students.

**Fields of study:**

- 3 Theological faculties
  - Faculty of Law
- 3 Medical faculties
  - Faculty of Philosophy and Arts
  - Faculty of Natural Sciences
  - Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
- Faculty Education
- Faculty of Social Sciences,
- Faculty of Physical Education and Sport
- Faculty of Humanities
- Faculty of Computer Science and Informatics
Czech Technical University in Prague

Also located in Prague, the Czech Technical University was founded in 1707, and is another of the country’s oldest and largest academic institutions. It’s the Czech Republic’s second ranked university in the EECA rankings at joint 7th place.

Fields of study:
- Faculty of Architecture
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- Faculty of Electrical Engineering
- Faculty of Information Technologies
- Faculty of Biomedical Engineering
- Faculty of Nuclear Sciences and Physical Engineering
- Faculty of Transportation Sciences
Masaryk University in Brno

The second largest public university in the country. Masaryk University is located in the second largest city, Brno.

Fields of study:
Faculty of Medicine
Faculty of Science
Faculty of Arts
Faculty of Social Studies
Faculty of Economics and Administration
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Informatics
Faculty of Sports Studies
Faculty of Education
Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem

Public university established in 1991 and now offers a large scale of different programmes in 8 faculties. University is scientific, pedagogic, cultural and educational center of the Ústí nad Labem region.

Czech Private Universities
There are 41 of them!
University of New York in Prague

Since 1998, UNYP has been offering the best in English-language higher education in Central Europe, with a focus on Business Administration, Communications, Finance, IT Management, Marketing, International Economic Relations, English Language & Literature, and Psychology. UNYP is the largest and leading English language higher education institution in the Czech Republic.

Fields of study:
Business Administration
Communication & Mass Media
International & Economic Relations
Psychology
International & Corporate Law
English Language & Literature

Degree programmes: Bachelor’s / Master’s / MBA / LL.M. / Ph.D.
Anglo-American University in Prague

Comprised of over 70 nationalities, the student body of AAU is very multicultural. Founded in 1990 AAU currently runs 12 BA and 3 MA programs in its five Schools of Study.

Fields of study:
- School of Business Administration
- School of Journalism
- School of International Relations and Diplomacy
- John H. Carey II. School of Law
- School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Why should Russian-speaking students study in the Czech Republic?

1) Czech language is very similar to Russian, Ukrainian, etc. – RSS need only **470 hours** to learn for **B2 level**!

2) Education in Czech language is **absolutely free**

3) You can study at multiple universities or specialities at the same time

4) All public universities offer programmes with the **ECTS system**

5) You can apply for multiple Czech universities

6) Many programmes have no entrance exams at all!
Why should Russian-speaking students study in the Czech Republic?

1) You can legally apply for work as a student.

2) Cost of living is sometimes even lower than in former Soviet Union countries.

3) Low unemployment – about 3%, and 1.5% in Prague.

4) Highest wages in Central Europe – 1300 euro.

5) Lack of specialists – doctors, IT, chemistry, etc.
...and obviously because of the beer 😊
New trends in Czech Education
What students want

1. Variability
2. To live in center of Prague
3. High quality living
4. to learn not only Czech, but English as well
New trends

- Language schools connected to state universities
- Main factor – number of students
- 2x times more hours than 5 years ago
- Student support
• Higher number of students coming to Czech Republic

• 25% of students finish their studies in a different country

• More and more people go to magisters as well – about 30% people

• It is easier to receive a student visa then ever before!

• Demographical crisis

• Lowering cost of Educational programmes

• Higher comission then ever before – more than 1 000 euro per student
Application for courses

- The application is made usually through a website

- Most language schools have a useful CRM system

- The whole process of receiving a student's visa takes up to 2 or 2 and a half months

- No more visa problems or visa refusals
How can students learn Czech?

1. At home

2. Yearly courses in Czechia
   - Most students go to yearly courses
   - One year – language + „profile subjects“
   - For students after 11th class or bachelors
   - Certificate in the end
Free Education in Czech language

«Ужасный чешский язык!»
Вонь и vůně
V Čechách máme dobré bydlo!
Yearly courses
What do they look like and who are they for?
Why the yearly courses?

I. Students learn Czech and their profile subjects
II. They receive a language certificate
III. Students can do the process called nostrification
IV. Going to language courses, they already need a students visa, so after finishing, they can just update it
V. They can adapt to Czech culture and Czech edu. system
VI. They enjoy help from the language school before and after coming to Czechia
VII. They can apply for any state university during this one year
After 11\textsuperscript{th} grade

- Early birds win
- Education in Czech or English

\textbf{English}

- students receive help with applications an the whole application proces
- help with visa and nostrification

\textbf{Czech}

- students learn czech for one year and then they apply for universities and learn for free
- they learn not only czech, but profile subjects as well
After 9\textsuperscript{th} grade

- 4 more years to finish high school
- they have to come to Czech Republic to do entrance exams
- students are looked after – curatorship programme
- students can choose from a variety of public and private high schools
- public high schools offer free education in Czech
Typical students day

8.30 – Czech language lessons
13.30 – lunch break
14.30 – profile subjects and terminology
17.30 – Czech conversational club or Gym class
19.00 – end of lessons, students go to dormitory
An example of students of life after the studies

- He will get his diploma in 24 – 25 yrs old
- It is worthy for him to stay at the students visa – he will get longterm permit
- About 75% students stay in Czech republic after finishing their studies
So why offer education in Czechia?
Let’s recapitulate!
1. **Free and available education**

2. **Language**

3. **New trends that help both agents, parents and students**

4. **Lower cost of language programmes but higher commission**

5. **Cost of living**
Thank you for your attention!