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FSV UK is the second newest faculty of [Charles University](#) . Shortly after its creation in 1990 the Faculty became a regional centre of teaching and research in:

- **economics**,
- **sociology**,
- **political science**,
- **international relations**,
- **area studies**,
- **media studies**
- and **journalism**.

Our mission

Our mission is the promotion of learning and the protection of knowledge, the cultivation of free thought, independent academic research and the support of the creative spirit of human society. The Faculty's main objective is to develop teaching and research in those aspects of the social sciences which directly or indirectly relate to the public administration or to the economic and cultural life of society.

Facts and figures

Currently the Faculty has around **4 000 full-time students**. Approximately **200** of them are enrolled in one of our **English language degree programmes**. FSV UK has one of the highest international mobility participation rates of all the faculties of Charles University. Each year it welcomes around 500 exchange students from all over the world.

International cooperation

FSV UK emphasizes the development of foreign cooperation. Firstly, by developing and strengthening scientific bonds, student and academic mobility and, secondly, by offering English language degree programmes. Throughout the academic year the Faculty regularly organizes guest lectures, seminars, workshops and conferences in English. They take place in cooperation with the Faculty's partner universities in Europe, North America, Asia and the Middle East.

Why FSV UK?

- **Academic excellence:** Charles University is the only Czech university in the [Academic Ranking of World Universities](#) .
- **Top lecturers:** Members of our Faculty include distinguished academics as well as leading figures in the policy making, economics and social life of the region.
- **Talent:** We seek the best in students and develop their potential. Every year, students of our Faculty are granted competitive awards and scholarships.
- **Hands-on experience:** Our graduates not only receive a firm grounding in theory but also have numerous opportunities to get involved in various practical projects as well.
- **Friendly environment:** FSV UK is a place where students and Faculty members meet and interact. Moreover, students benefit from the young, dynamic and interdisciplinary environment of the Faculty.

What can you study?

Studies at FSV UK are intended primarily to prepare students for a **professional career** in the private sector, public administration, national governments, European institutions, academic research or the media. They are divided into three separate cycles:

- **Bachelor's degree cycle** (3 years), which leads to a bachelor's degree (Bc., equivalent to a BA)
- **Master's degree cycle** (2 years), which leads to a master's degree (Mgr., equivalent to a MA)
- **Doctoral studies** (4 years), which lead to a Doctorate (Ph.D)

FSV UK offers some of the highest quality [Bachelor's](#) , [Master's](#) and [PhD](#) degree programmes in Central and Eastern Europe in all fields of social sciences. Many of our alumni continue their studies at top universities in the United States and the United Kingdom (Harvard, Columbia, LSE, Cambridge, etc.) or they succeed in competitions for highly qualified jobs.

While the language of instruction is Czech and English, students can chose from classes in a wide range of other languages, namely German, Russian, Spanish and French.

Location

FSV UK is divided into **five institutes spread at three different locations** in Prague:

[The Hollar building](#) is our main campus. It is located on Smetanovo nabrezi in the very centre of Prague with a beautiful view over the Charles Bridge and the Prague Caste. It is the seat of the Dean's Office, the [central administration](#) and also of the [Institute of Communication Studies and Journalism](#) .

[The Opletalova building](#) is found on Opletalova street in the very centre of Prague, just few blocks from the Wenceslas Square. It houses the [Institute of Economic Studies](#) .

[The Jinonice building](#) is located a little further away from the city centre, near the metro station Jinonice. It houses three of out institutes: [Institute of International Studies](#) , Institute of Political Studies and the [Institute of Sociological Studies](#) .