



University of Hradec Králové

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History

- The University of Hradec Králové was established in 2000. There were two institutions that laid the foundations for this University - the independent Faculty of Education (existing from 1959 - 1992) and the University of Education in Hradec Králové (existing from 1992 - 2000). Nowadays the University of Hradec Králové consists of three faculties, as illustrated below:

Structure of the Institution

- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Informatics and Management
- Faculty of Arts

Over eight thousand students are enrolled at these faculties.

The Faculty of Education, the largest and the oldest part of UHK, may surprise you by the wide variety of study programmes it offers. At the present time the faculty consists of twenty departments and one institute. The faculty offers university instruction in courses of study ranging from the teaching professions, the artistic and social disciplines, to studies in the natural and applied sciences. Thus the Faculty of Education prepares not only future teachers, as is obvious from its traditional name, but also many other types of professionals through courses in social studies, the arts and the natural sciences. Numerous varieties of lifelong educational programmes are also offered to the public, and over 1,500 participants attend courses to improve their personal skills and professional qualifications.

The Faculty of Informatics and Management has become a dynamic part of the university, mainly due to its modern educational concepts, which are oriented towards practical experience and the future employment of its graduates. Long-term positive results in preparing graduates for the workplace explain why an education at FIM UHK is so widely sought after. The content of its study programmes reflects the practical needs of the contemporary work market. For a long time the faculty has been actively developing relations with private businesses and other institutions. Another important aspect of the faculty is its active cooperation with foreign partners through teacher and student exchanges within the framework of international projects. The faculty has also made great advances in orientating its study programmes towards current global issues and problems.

The Faculty of Arts offers a complete spectrum of university education in the humanities. Apart from the classical disciplines it has also developed a number of unique subject areas centred on preparing specialists in the use of modern information technologies in archaeology and archival science. The public is aware of the work of staff of the department on presenting and popularizing science, e.g. the archaeological expedition Monoxylon I and II and the activities of the Centre of Experimental Archaeology in Vřestary.

Apart from enriching its inner structure the university has also made external changes. This can be seen most significantly in the Na Soutoku campus area, where a modern university campus has been painstakingly constructed close to the town centre. In May 2008, after two years of construction, the new Building of the Faculty of Informatics and Management has been opened. This construction complements the Building of Common Education, opened in 1997 as the foundation of the campus complex. Thanks to its aesthetic and functional properties the Building of Common Education was named Building of the Year in 1998 for the Czech Republic. The designs of both buildings and of the whole future university complex have been inspired by the works of architect Josef Gočár, completed during the times of the 1st Czechoslovak Republic. The new FIM building signals a watershed moment in the continuing development of the Faculty of Informatics and Management. This new structure is the embodiment of the emergence of a real centre of academic life in Hradec Králové. Nearby, at the beginning of 2008 in the Regiocentre Nový pivovar the Department of Creative Culture of the Faculty of Education opened its high-tech artistic studios. The department's new location not only provides well-equipped ateliers but also provides opportunities for students and artists to draw inspiration from the eminently-historical architecture surroundings.

Within the domain of international scientific research activities, the university has profiled itself primarily toward work in the historical sciences, the natural science education as well as e-learning and knowledge management. University employees have obtained numerous scientific grants and have participated in many projects of the European Union.

Organization of Studies

- All faculties offer bachelor, master and doctoral study programmes and award the following degrees to their graduates:
 - Bachelor study programmes: the degree of "bakalář" (i.e. "Bachelor"), abbreviated as "Bc."
 - Master study programmes: the degree of "magistr" (i.e. "Master") abbreviated as "Mgr.", "inženýr" (i. e. "Engineer", abbr. as "Ing."), after the state rigorous

examination also "doktor filozofie" (i. e., "Doctor of Philosophy", abbreviated as "PhDr.").

- Doctoral study programmes: the degree of "doctor" (i. e. "Doctor", abbr. as Ph.D.).

Information for Foreign Students

International students can study in all faculties of the University. The University can provide accommodation in student halls of residence. Board is also available in the student canteens for all international students. The accommodation cost in student halls of residence amounts to about CZK 2,500 (app. 100 EUR) per month.

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Basic Information about Academic Programmes

The bachelor study programmes are run in several study branches. Graduates of the bachelor study programmes in Social Policy and Social Work who have specialized in Education can proceed to a master study programme. The Faculty runs bachelor and follow-up master study programmes aimed at training of future teachers and educational workers, and courses focusing on improving and updating teachers' qualifications. The Lower and Upper Secondary School Teacher Education study programmes are organized as teacher training in two subjects. Students can choose two out of the following available subjects: Mathematics, Physics, Czech, German, English, History, Chemistry, Biology, Civics, Information Technology, Music Education, Art Education and Physical Education.

Admission

All applicants have to pass an entrance examination (which usually consists of a written test and a subsequent interview). Students aiming at becoming Lower Primary Schools teachers have to pass an entrance examination in Czech and Mathematics, and their artistic skills are also tested. Students aiming at becoming Upper Primary Schools teachers and Secondary Schools teachers will be tested in the subjects chosen as their specialization.

In 2007, the number of applicants to the Faculty was 6 757. The Faculty admitted 2032 applicants, i.e. 30% of the candidates.

Addition Information for Foreign Students

The Faculty offers all the above-mentioned study programmes for international students in the Czech language only. (However, foreign language students are educated and instructed in the foreign languages they are studying.)

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Basic Information about Academic Programmes

The educational programme of the Faculty is based on a credit system that is compatible with ECTS (European Credit Transfer System). Students can select electives that best suit their individual needs; in this way they can influence about 30 % of the content of the curricula of their study branch. A degree of bachelor is gained after obtaining at least 180 credits. Graduates of the bachelor study programme can

continue their studies in a two-year master study programme at the Faculty, or at another university in the Czech Republic or abroad. The master study programmes at the Faculty are completed after gaining at least 120 credits.

The bachelor study programme in System Engineering and Informatics provides a broad background for careers in computer systems (including both hardware and software) or in advanced applications of computers. It also provides a solid preparation for a master study programme.

The study programme in Economics and Management provides a basic understanding of economic processes and basic skills in management and information technology. Moreover, the requirements allow substantial freedom for students in balancing the basic programme with courses in computer systems, tourism, recreational sports, languages, health management, modern economic theory, and basic accounting and finance. The programme provides a preparation for master studies, while at the same time securing an advantageous market position for students seeking employment directly after graduation.

The master study programme in System Engineering and Informatics develops students' competence in the field of management science, computer technology, and methods for collecting and structuring large quantities of data. It also provides a strong background in the associated disciplines of managerial psychology and economics.

The doctoral study programme System Engineering and Informatics was accredited as a common study programme together with Faculty of Economics and Business Administration of the Technical University of Liberec and Faculty of Economics and Administration of the University of Pardubice. The common study program is divided into the following fields of study: Information and Knowledge Management (guarantor UHK), Economic Informatics (guarantor TUL), Informatics in Public Administration (guarantor UPa).

Admission

All applicants are required to take an entrance examination. In 2007, the number of applicants to the Faculty was 3817. The Faculty selected 1228 applicants, i.e., 32 % of the candidates, for admission.

Addition Information for Foreign Students

The Faculty can offer the study branch in Information Management of the bachelor and master study programme in English for fee-paying international students. The above mentioned doctoral study programme can also be studied in English. The tuition fees for international students are 6,000 EUR per academic year.

Faculty of Arts
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Basic Information about Academic Programmes

The Faculty provides education in four bachelor, two master and one doctoral study programmes. Besides traditional fields, such as History, Philosophy, Archaeology, Archival Studies, Sociology and Politics, it also offers a unique study programme Technical Support of Humanities, which focuses on the application of modern

technologies in Archaeology and Archival Studies. This study programme is unique in Europe. Other unique fields of study at the faculty are Politics-Latin American Studies and Politics-African Studies.

Admission

All applicants are required to take an entrance examination. In 2007, the number of applicants to the Faculty was 1 190. The Faculty selected 557 applicants, i.e., 46,8 % of the candidates, for admission.

Addition Information for Foreign Students

The Faculty of Arts is newly opening courses taught in English. Classes in English will be held for Czech and foreign students together. For further information, see <http://www.uhk.cz/eng/ff>.

Basic Statistical Data in Academic Year 2007/2008

■ Total number of students	8 135
Number of students of bachelor study programmes	4 455
Number of students of master study programmes	3 572
Number of students of doctoral study programmes	108
Number of foreign students	53
Total number of graduates in 2007	1 405
Total number of academic staff	380