



Masaryk University medical students booklet



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Hey first years!

Congratulations on your acceptance to the Faculty of Medicine at Masaryk University. The students at this medical faculty converge from many different countries both inside and outside of Europe, to help form this supportive and approachable family which is known as MIMSA.

Welcome to the city of genetics, the former home of Gregor Mendel and Jan Purkyně just to name a few. As the second largest city in the Czech Republic, Brno is a hospitable town which is kept alive by students from three different universities. Apart from the obvious social advantages, Brno is a highly cultural city with a lot to offer ranging from the Opera and theatre to the historical castles and buildings situated in and around Brno.

MIMSA, Masaryk International Medical Students' Association, was founded to assist the students of medicine and dentistry to enhance extracurricular activities, with the aim of bringing all of us closer together. MIMSA is also your representative to the Faculty of Medicine and Masaryk University. We endeavour towards forming a comfortable environment, so as to make Brno truly you home away from home.

Over the next few weeks, you will be settling into your new surroundings and will be flooded with new information, but don't worry, that is why we are here! If you want to get more involved with MIMSA, or have any questions about Masaryk University, medicine, life or any combination of all the above, send us an email to president@mimsa.cz or visit our website at www.mimsa.cz . Even better, come by for a chat at the MIMSA Office, located in the basement of Komenskeho nam 2 (Medfac for short!).

I would like to end this message by inviting you to join us in the activities we have planned for you, during Orientation Week 2012. On behalf of the MIMSA Board, I look forward to seeing your faces during Orientation Week and future MIMSA events.



Yours truly,
Veronika Sykorova
President



DORMITORY LIFE



Lodging

Student of Masaryk University can choose from 9 dormitories, located in different parts of Brno. There are differences in prices, room layout and available facilities, between each dorm. Most foreign students live in one of two dormitories: Vinarska or Kounicova. More information can be found at: www.skm.muni.cz



Campus Residential Area

Brand new lodging, in a modern complex, right on campus!

Address: Kamenice 5, 625 00 Brno

Contact: Bc. Eva Kašparovská (+420) 549 49 7739 Email: kasparovska@skm.muni.cz

Webpage: <http://www.skm.muni.cz/ubytovani.php?akce=305&lang=en>

These new dormitories are available for the students accepted for the 2012/2013 school year. The complex is located right next to the Campus Square shopping center and the Masaryk medical faculty in Bohunice, a 5 min. walk to your classes!

This residential complex is an up-to-date and secure dwelling. Along with boarding you can find a restaurant, supermarket, laundromat, and other supplementary services.

The dormitories are divided into 2 blocks, B1 and B2. Rooms in block 2 will be available to rent starting in September. This includes a total of 64 rooms (1 bed + kitchenette 33m²), 6 rooms adjusted for disabled students (1bed+1 kitchen 55m²).

Each room includes a separate toilet and bath, kitchenette with a cooker and fridge. Bedroom with a bed (necessary to bring your own linen), desk and chair, wardrobes, wireless internet, and cable TV connection.

How to get there:

1. Take bus No. 60 or 61 to “**Univerzitní kampus**” from the stop “**Nové Sady**” heading towards “**Nemocnice Bohunice**”.
2. Trolley No.25, from “**Mendlovo Náměstí**” heading towards “**Osová**”, to the same stop

Koleje Vinarska

The majority of foreign students live here.

Address: Vinarska 5, 603 00 Brno

Contact: Vackova Jana: (+420) 549 49 2705 Bookings: (+ 420) 549 49 4442

Email: koleje.vinarska@skm.muni.cz

These dormitories are situated near Brno fairgrounds (10 minutes from the centre by tram/bus). The complex includes a gymnasium, snack bar, university canteen and faculty of economics and administration.

Koleje Vinařská - continued

You are provided with bed linen (which can be changed once a month) and in your bedroom you can find your own wardrobe, study table, chair, kitchenette (including a fridge and doubled electric cooker), bathroom and toilet. No kitchen utensils are provided; you will need to bring (or buy) your own!

Other facilities available at Vinarska include: internet (wired/LAN), photocopiers, washing machines (can be used for a small fee), table tennis table and music room (including a piano). To use the internet, you will be required to bring your own ETHERNET/LAN cable!

How to get there:

- 1) Tram no.1 from “**Hlavní nádraží**” (main station) heading towards “Ečerova”. The stop for Vinarska is called “**Lipová**”.
- 2) Buses 38 and 39, both from “**Komenského náměstí**” heading towards “Preslova”. If you take bus 38, the stop is called “**Pavlíkova**”, whereas for 39 it is “**Vaňkovo náměstí!**”

Koleje Kounicova

Address: Kounicova 5, 602 00 Brno

Contact: The operating assistant of the hall (+420) 549 49 2718

The assistant for accommodation: (+ 420) 549 49 4570

Email: koleje.kounicova@skm.muni.cz

These dormitories are situated near the centre, on the street “Kounicova”. There are 276 twin rooms and 7 rooms for four people. Accommodation is in studios with two twin rooms, a toilet and a shower. In the room you can find a study table, bookshelf and chair.

Every 2 rooms are connected by common hall, where common bathroom and toilet can be found. Shared kitchens are in the corridor. In the dormitory building you can find a study room, TV room, pizzeria Pizza Nostra (with student discounts).

Bed linen is provided, which can be changed by residents themselves, according to the schedule on the notice board. No kitchen utensils are provided; you will need to bring (or buy) your own!

How to get there:

- 1) Tram no. 12 or 13, from “**Česká**” heading towards, “**TECHNOLOGICKÝ PARK**” and get off at the stop “**Klusáčkova**”.
- 2) Trolley buses no. 34 and 36 from “**Česká**” heading towards “**Vychodilova**”, and get off at the stop “**Klusáčkova**”.

Boarding:

Masaryk University provides several canteens, but not all are working during summer holidays.

Academic restaurant

You can find this modern student canteen in Campus square complex just ahead of University campus. Menza offers various kind of food even vegetarian and gluten free. You can get daily menus or special week's offer.

Menu include:

Traditional Czech cuisine, many pizzas or steaks, fruit salads and cakes, many non-alcoholic drinks and also two kinds of beer (you have student discount for that).

Open daily from Mon-Fri 10:00-20:00 , weekend 10:00-18:00 during.

Moravské náměstí student's canteen

The canteen is located in the building of Masaryk university rectorate. The menu is less various but still offers at least two meat meals, one vegetarian, salads, cakes.

Open Mon-Thu 11:00-19:00 Fri 11:00-15:00

Vinařská snack bar

The canteen can be found at Vinarska dormitory next to block A1. It also offers various dishes and vegetarian options. The canteen also includes nice cafeteria where you can get your dinner from 14:30-19:30

Open Mon-Thu 8:00-20:00 Fri 8:00-14:30

University cards

All medical students will receive an ISIC card, which allows them access to the computer rooms and various departments of university and it is used for buying meals in all of the canteens. First time you enter a canteen, you have to ask a lady at the counter to put some money to the card. The next time you would like to get your meal, you only put the card in front of the reading equipment and select the number of your meal, or give it to the lady in the counter (depends in which canteen you are). The price of an average meal ranges from 60 to 100 Czech crowns (2 to 4 euros).

FACULTY OF MEDICINE



Masaryk University



Masaryk University is the second largest university in the Czech Republic and the largest in Moravia. It comprises of nine faculties with two hundred departments, institutes and clinics, which carry out activities in a wide spectrum of disciplines and areas of research. It has become one of the leading teaching and research institutions in both the Czech Republic and Central Europe.

Despite its rapid growth, the university remains the most selective in the Czech Republic in terms of the ratio of students applying for studies to the actual number of students accepted. Masaryk University was also the first higher education institution in the Czech Republic to provide prospective applicants with the opportunity to apply for studies via an electronic application form. The prestigious EUNIS Elite Award 2005 awarded to the university's Information System (IS) is proof of its leading position when it comes to the introduction of information technologies in tertiary education, being the first in Czech Republic and also the first among the new member states of the EU.

The high rate of success of Masaryk University research teams in obtaining funding for research and development projects offers striking proof that it is also a prominent research university. Science and research activities I 2005 amounted to 560 million CZK (20 million EUR). The new university campus in Brno Bohunice, a project unique within the Central European region, offers new research opportunities and the chance to link these with teaching.

RESEARCH

Research, one of the highest priorities in Masaryk University, is evident both in the close relationship between research and education in its Doctoral and Master's degree programmes and in the number of successful research projects carried out across the whole range of disciplines that the university is engaged in. A few of the most impressive research results at Masaryk University in recent years are mentioned below:

ENZYMES WITH PHARMACEUTICAL IMPLICATIONS

A team of experts from the National Centre for Biomolecular Research at the Faculty of Science scored a major breakthrough in discovering new characteristics of enzymes that facilitate the commercial production of a number of substances, including pharmaceuticals.

STEM CELL RESEARCH

Research into blood-forming stem cells under physiological and pathological conditions are one of the key research programmes in the Internal Hematooncological Clinic at the Faculty of Medicine.

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH INTO CHILD DEVELOPMENT

In cooperation with the Faculty of Medicine of Masaryk university, the Faculty of Humanities of Charles University in Prague and the University of Bristol, the Faculty of Social Studies is carrying out longitudinal studies of the mental, social and health development of children.

INFORMATICS AND MEDICAL RESEARCH

The Laboratory of Optical Microscopy at the Faculty of Informatics is concerned with the development of computer/operated devices based on optical microscopes that are capable of independent scanning and analysis of images of cells and their parts, allowing 3D imaging.

OTHER RESEARCH:

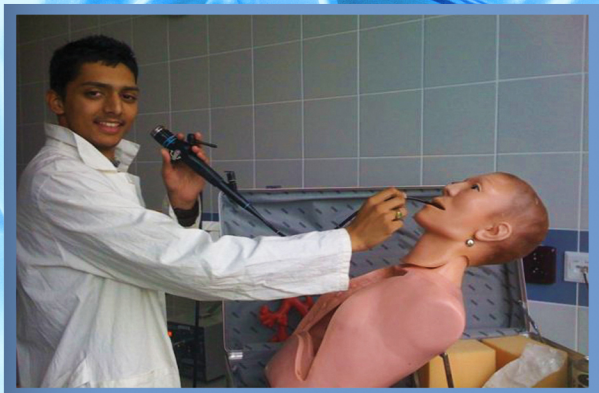
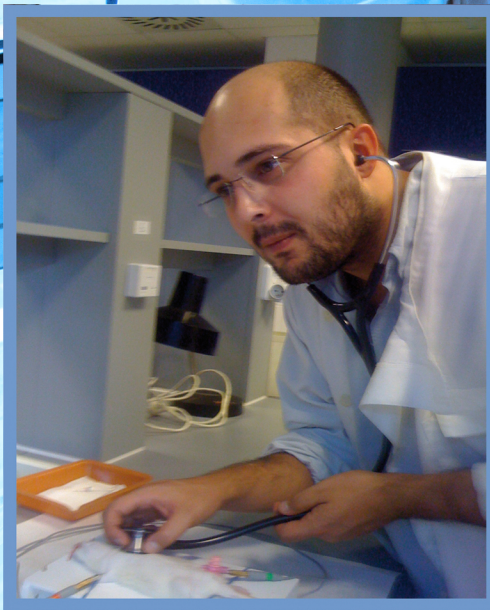
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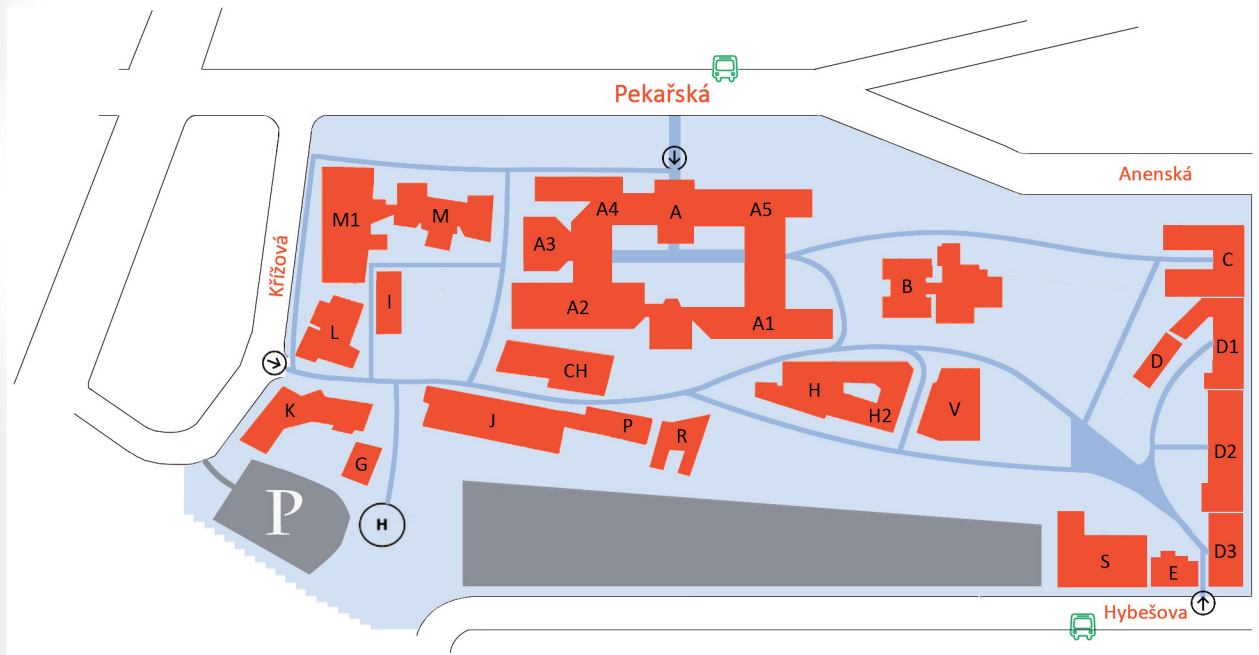
CEITEC is a supra-regional centre of scientific excellence, whose results will be comparable to those of top centres and will thus contribute to strengthening the position of Brno as a recognized European scientific centre. We strive to be completely on par with the world's leading institutions of this kind, taking advantage of the unique opportunities arising from synergies between life and traditional sciences. CEITEC will become a by-word for innovative research in the field of Quality of Life and Human Health.

NEW MAYO CLINIC IN BRNO

A new Mayo clinic, International Clinical Research Center (ICRC-Mayo) is being built as a part of the St.Anne's University Hospital. It will support clinical research and education with a focus on cardiovascular and neurological studies. It is anticipated that because of the novel research involved, the center's work will advance medical research, education and patient care in Europe and beyond. The first phase should be completed in autumn 2012.

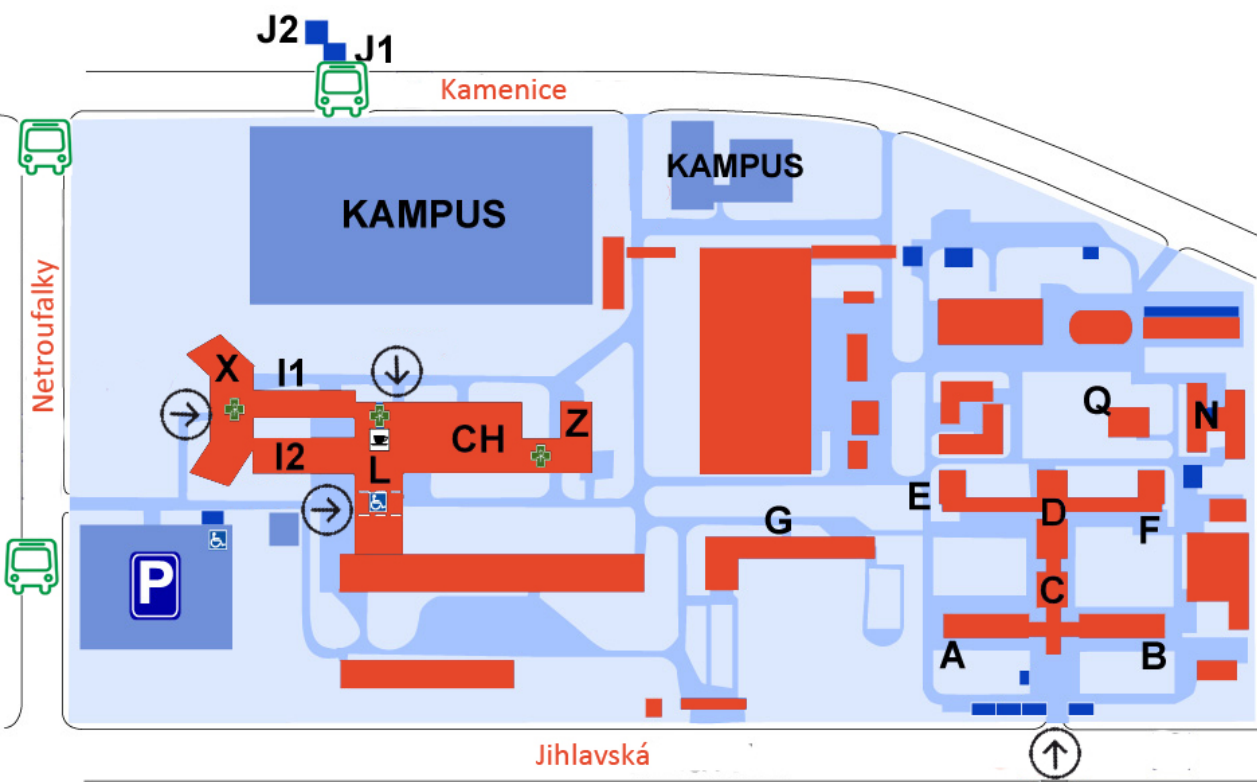
HOSPITALS





St. Anne's University Hospital

- A, CH** Department of Ophthalmology and Optometry
- A,A5** Department of Oncological Surgery
- A1** Department of Clinical Psychology
- A1** 1st Department of Orthopaedics
- A2** 2nd Department of Surgery
- A2,J** Department of Urology
- A5** Department of Gynaecology
- A5** Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery
- A5,M** Department of Imaging Methods
- B** 1st Department of Internal Medicine - Cardioangiology
- C** Department of Neurology
- D1** Department of Clinical Biochemistry
- D2** 1st Department of Dermatology and Venereology
- D2,E** Department of Functional Diagnostics and Rehabilitation
- D3** Department of Clinical Haematology
- H,H2** Institute of Pathologic Anatomy
- J** Department of Neurosurgery
- J,P** 2nd Department of Internal Medicine
- K** Institute of Clinical Immunology and Allergology
- M, M1** 1st Department of Surgery
- P** Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care
- S** Department of Stomatology
- V** Institute of Microbiology



The University Hospital Brno-Bohunice

- A Department of Pulmonary diseases and Tuberculosis
- B Department of Infectious diseases
- F Department of Dermatology and Venerology
- G Department of Psychiatry
- CH Department of Surgery
- I1 Department of Pathology
- I2 Department of Hematology
- L Department of Surgery, Department of Hematooncology
- X Departments for Diagnostics and Therapy
- Z Department of Gynecology

First time in our hospitals

You will be introduced to your tutor during your first visit, which the resident will ensure. Please be prepared for the fact that tutors speak English but most patients don't.

Czech health care system

Works on European pluralite type of health care. We have excellent government hospitals that serve the healing patients with general care. The health care system has two sectors: public and private. By law, all citizens staying in the Czech Republic must have some health insurance. You -as a student of our faculty- are insured by our university against damage at work done and your injuries.

Recommended clothing

In Czech Hospitals you have to wear white t-shirt or shirt (a t-shirt is better), white trousers, white socks, white slippers/mules/shoes (not dirty ones from street). You can also have a white coat if you don't have T-shirt and trousers. If you don't have any of them, you will have to buy it here.



CZECH REPUBLIC

Country in the heart of Europe

The Czech Republic is in the middle of Europe. With its population of over ten million inhabitants and an area over 78 000 square kilometres, it belongs to one of the smaller countries from the former eastern block. By its location, it is one of the most important transit countries.

Our state has a multiparty parliamentary democracy headed by president Václav Klaus.

Czech economy with a situation of 82% of the European Union average is considered to one of the most stable and prosperous of the post-Communist states. Recent growth has been led mostly by export to Germany.

It was founded on 1st January 1993, when Czechoslovakia broke up into Czech Republic and Slovakia. It became a member of OECD in 1995, NATO in 1998 and EU on May 2004.

The country is historically and culturally divided into three main regions - Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia. The country is also divided into 14 administrative regions.

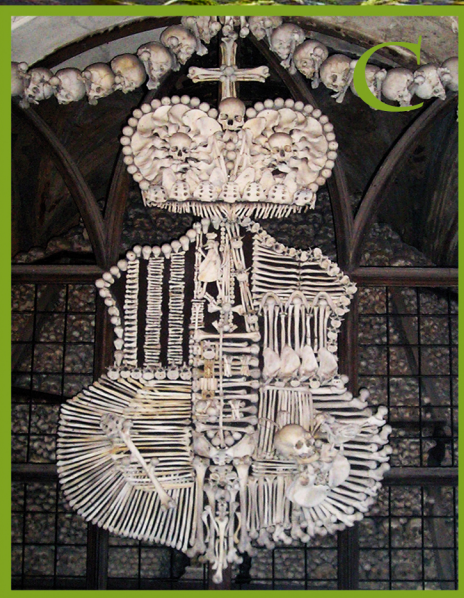
The capital is Prague, which is also the biggest town in the Republic (population over one million) and the administrative centre. It is the siege of the President, the Government, the Parliament of the Czech Republic and the Major Court. The second most important and largest city is Brno.

The majority of people living in the Czech Republic are Czech. Minorities living in the Czech Republic - almost 2% include Slovaks, Polish, Germans and the Romani.

The Czech Republic is one of the less religious countries in the world. Over sixty percent of people count themselves as atheists. But majority of these atheists like to say: "I believe in something above us". The majority of religious people are Roman Catholics and Evangelical Catholics.

The country has a continental climate. You should prepare for a relative hot summer and a cold winter with ice and snow.

The Moravian region is the hottest and driest region in Czech. It is great for planting vegetables, fruits and also wine.



TOURIST DESTINATIONS

Czech Republic tourist destinations

Even though the Czech Republic is a small country in the middle of Europe, a lot of tourists visit every year, because it has much to offer. These tourists search especially for monuments, which are unprecedented in the world and also for natural beauties, which are the boast of this land. The borders of the country are created by mountains, which imaginary protect architectural treasures inside.



Prague

The capital of Czech Republic is Prague. This city is the centre of state institutions, courts, various organizations and companies, political parties, religious associations, universities etc. **Prague castle** is dominant, which is the traditional residence of Czech monarchs and since 1918 it has been a residence of Czech president. In the third yard, there is **St.Vitus cathedral**. It is the main and also the biggest cathedral in Prague. It is actually devoted to three saints of Czech history. These are St.Vit, St.Vojtech and St.Vaclav-a patron and protector of Czech lands. In the areal of Prague castle, there are the lot of various churches. For instance, St.George's basilica, St.Cross` chapel and St.George's monastery. Apart from these, there are nice grounds around the whole complex, e.g. **The golden street**, which is full of very small houses, where goldsmiths used to live. Nowadays there are galleries, museums and stalls with souvenirs.

The Golden street ends with the tower Daliborka. It is a turret from 15th century with a dungeon.

Vltava is the longest river of the country and flows through the Prague. There are

many bridges across the river in Prague and the most interesting and important of them is **Charles bridge**. It is located at the place of the original Judita's bridge which was destroyed by flood. Charles bridge is from the 14th century when Karel IV. was the king of the Czech lands. At the bridge, there are many statues of Czech saints. Well-known are St. Jan of Nepomuk or St. Cyril and Methodius.

Prague is full of squares. The most interesting of them are Václavské náměstí (Wenceslas square) and Staroměstské náměstí (Old Town Square). At the top of Václavské náměstí is the National museum and the statue of St. Václav. The dominant of Staroměstské náměstí is Old Town Hall with astronomical clock-**Staroměstský Orloj**. Other monuments which can be found in the centre: National theatre, Vysehrad Castle, The Jewish Quarter, Petrin Hill.

The whole historical centre of the city is included in the list of UNESCO world heritage.

Historical monuments are not the only wealth of Prague. There are the lot of modern buildings. One for all **Dancing house** at the quay of Vltava. Prague is a city, but we can find also parts with nature. For example Petrin gardens are ideal for walks and for view of the city, because there is the Petrin tower. Template for this building is Eiffel's tower in Paris, (It is a miniature version of Eiffel Tower).

Kutná Hora (A)

An urban conservation area played an important role in silver mining in 13th century. Whole city is surrounded by forests. The heart of the town is a scenic square with romantic restaurants. The most visited monument is St. Barbora's cathedral, which is situated near the centre of the city. Apart from this cathedral you can find other historical monuments, which are worth seeing, such as the Czech museum of silver and medieval mine, Stone house or Stone fountain. We recommend you to visit famous ossuary. (C) It is a remarkable experience for medical student.

Český Krumlov (B)

The city lies on the banks of Vltava around the originally gothic castle complex. It's architectural heritage has remained intact for more than five centuries. There is the second most extensive castle areal after Prague castle in republic. Monumental reservation includes over 300 Gothic and Renaissance buildings. Český Krumlov is important centre of culture, because there are six museums, well-known City theatre and in the summer the actors act out in the garden of the castle in a revolving auditorium.

Telč

The square of Telc is flanked by a set of gothic and renaissance burgher houses with arcades. Houses have a renaissance, baroque and classical shields. The square directs to original gothic and renaissance castle from the 15th century with nice renaissance garden and an English park. Other important monuments include: the area of the former Jesuit college of the holy name of Jesus, a late gothic Church of St. Ghost, spirit

parish Church of St. James from the 14th century, the Marian column and two baroque fountains in the square.

Lednicko-Valtický areál

Princes of Liechtenstein transformed their estate between 17th and 20th century in a big park. This area is among the most modified landscapes in Europe. Adjustments were based on the principles of the English parks. Here you can find the baroque architecture, the neo-gothic architecture or castles and small buildings built in romantic style. These are Glasshouse, Minaret, New court, Temple of three graces, Obelisk etc.

Olomouc

The city is situated in the middle of central Moravia. For its unique atmosphere, it is a popular center of international conferences and festivals. Olomouc is, next to Brno, second historical and political center of Moravia. Nowadays the Palacky university is situated in Olomouc and also the archdiocese. The city is the spiritual and educational centre. An important monument is Column of holy trinity. This pillar, erected in the 18th century, reaches a height of 35 meters. This unique piece of architecture is characterized as „Olomouc baroque“. The column is decorated with many statues and sculptures and is the largest in central Europe.

Žďár nad Sázavou

The city is important thanks to the church at the Green hill „Zelená hora“. The pilgrimage church dedicated to St. John of Nepomuk was built during the years 1719-1722. It is a masterpiece of the architect Santini and most original example of the so-called „baroque gothic“. It is built in a five-pointed star and is surrounded by a cemetery and chapels. A platform is derived from the circle in which is inscribed decagon. Around this circuit turn five chapels each with a triangular floor plans and lay out with five chapels in oval shape. The second interesting is the Museum of books which is the only one in central Europe.

All of these previous cities belongs to the list of UNESCO world heritage.

Hluboká nad Vltavou (D)

The castle is the biggest attraction for visitors. It is a neo-gothic monument built in the Tudor gothic style, following the model of the English Royal Windsor castle. Moreover, there are more attractive targets: Ohrada zoo, luxury golf course, the princely court and Alš's south bohemian gallery where you can see a collection of sculptures and paintings by Dutch painters from the 17th and 18th century.

Slavkov u Brna

A town known as Austerlitz abroad. It is an important place of Europe history, because a battle of Three emperors took place there on december 2nd 1805. Napoleon army defeated Austrians and Russians.

You can visit: Peace memorial at the Zuran hill where Napoleon had his main tent. A Baroque castle with an imposing garden in French and English style in the centre of the town. Nowadays there is a historical museum which offers a multimedial presentation of the battle.

Czech nature

The Czech Republic is surrounded by mountains, which protected the Bohemian country for centuries from abroad. In the North there are Krkonoše, the highest mountains with the top named Sněžka. It is an unforgettable experience to see this part. In the South-West it is Šumava. It is one of the oldest mountains in Europe. The top of Šumava is Arber which is exactly on the border with Germany. There is also the Lipno barrier, which is the biggest water area in the republic and it was built on the river Vltava. In the East there are Beskydy. These are forested mountains with rounded peaks on the border between Poland and Slovakia. In the South you can find Pálava. Pálava is a protected area with untouched nature, 30 km far from Brno. It starts from the village Pavlov and finishes around the city of Mikulov and state border with Austria. The local landscape is very preserved and thanks to that you can meet a lot of rare animals and plants. There are important archaeological areas, because this place was constantly inhabited for thousands of years.

Traveling in Czech Republic

In the Czech Republic you can travel quite easily to almost everywhere. There are many ways and companies to travel with. Here we have recommended just a few of them for you:

BUSES:

Student Agency (www.studentagency.cz):

This company offers long distance coaches, to many different Czech and European cities (e.g. Olomouc, Hradec Kralove, Plzen, Vienna, Berlin, Munich, Paris, Amsterdam etc.). Advantages of this company are high standards of the on-board services such as steward, free drinks, free Wi-Fi, free magazines and newspapers, watching movies and listening to the radio. For buses to Prague or Vienna Airport, you must change at the Main Bus Stations, Florenc and Praterstern respectively. The bus stop in Brno is called "Grand Hotel bus station". You can reserve any journey online, pay electronically, and then you just need to print the ticket or remember your ticket number.

- Journey **Brno - Prague (Florenc)** takes approximately 2H 30Min, price is 200 CZK or 250 CZK to Ruzyně airport (200 km) .
- Journey **Brno - Vienna (Center)** takes approximately 2H, price is 190 CZK from Praterstern bus station (downtown) or 310 CZK from Schwechat airport (150 km).
- Journey **Brno - Bratislava** takes approximately 2H, price is 220 CZK and you must take a separate bus to the Airport (100 km).

Megabus (www.megabus.cz)

Megabus is another company offering connections to Czech and European cities as well. You can also book your journey via the internet.

Eurolines (www.eurolines.cz)

Another company with similar offers to almost whole Europe like companies mentioned above.

ČSAD (www.jizdnirady.cz)

This bus company goes to almost every place in the Czech Republic. You can visit many places with them - castles, villages, town, cities etc. Normally you can buy tickets from the drivers.

Tourbus (www.tourbus.cz)

Tourbus offers one of the cheapest connections between Prague and Brno.

BUS STATIONS:

Prague

- **Florenc** bus station (Metro station Florenc, lines B and C)

Brno (2 different!!):

- **Hotel Grand** bus station (companies: Student agency, Megabus)
- **Zvonařka** bus station (companies: Tourbus, Eurolines, ČSAD etc.)

TRAINS:

České dráhy (ČD) (www.cd.cz) In the Czech Republic, unfortunately we have only one major rail company called České dráhy (ČD). Travelling by rail, for a single person is more expensive than travelling by bus, but it is cheaper if there is a group of people travelling (third and every other pays only 50% of the price). Trains depart from **Hlavní nádraží** (translation: main railway station).

FLIGHTS:

Although there is an airport in Brno called **Tuřany**, but unfortunately there are not many flight connections to and from this airport. Most students travel via two main airports - **Ruzyně in Prague** (Czech Republic) and **Schwechat in Vienna** (Austria). Both are approximately 200km away from Brno. There are direct connections (or with one transfer) from both airports services by companies (e.g. Student Agency).

TRAVELLING IN PRAGUE

You need to have a ticket for public transportation:

- 26 CZK, 90 minutes
- I recommend you, to get a SMS ticket: www.dpp.cz/en/sms-ticket on your mobile phone - write the text: DPT and send it to the phone number **902 06 26**.
- Bus No. 119 to Bus/Metro station Dejvicka (line A), to get to Florenc station you have to change at Muzeum station to line B
- Bus No. 100 to Bus/Metro station Zlicin (line B) and directly to Florenc station

WELCOME TO BRNO



History of Brno

Surroundings of Brno were settled into, around 4000 BC, when the first agricultural colonies were founded.

Approximately 1020 AD Brno castle was built by Duke Bretislav and a small colony on the bank of the river Svratka started to spread. In 1243 the villages of Brno were united and Brno got the royal town privileges. Famous Cistercian nunnery (monastery for nuns) was founded by Queen Eliska Rejcka. During centuries, the town was surrounded by fortifications and its importance rose. Brno became a prominent meeting point of three big traderoutes leading from Poland, Austria and Hungary.

In the Thirty Years War the city was besieged by Swedish forces, who did not manage to conquer the city. That big Swedish defeat prevent them from marching against Vienna and gave more time to create an Austrian offence and end the war promptly.

Following the war, a city became a forcible baroque fortress. In 1742, Prussian army tried to capture the city but they also broke their teeth on it. Shortly after that the bishopric was established on the hill Petrov.

On December 2nd 1805, the three emperors' battle was fought in Austerlitz (Slavkov) near Brno. Napoleon army defeated Austrians and Russians.

In the 19th century, the fortifications were demolished and the city enlarged in Vienna's architecture style. In this time J.G.Mendel laid the foundations of genetics at monastery in Old Brno. During the First Republic (1918-1938) the university was established and named after the first Czechoslovakian president T.G.Masaryk.

The second world war was devastating. The city was controlled by Gestapo from Spilberk and many citizens were murdered in Kounicovy dormitories by SS troops. After the war, all german inhabitants were deported.

Next communist era brought economical stagnation. Fortunately the city was changing into a lovely metropolis. Many finances were invested on science and education. In 2007 the University Campus for medical and natural sciences became functional and by September 2010, it was officially completed and opened. Since the Masaryk University has become the most modern university building in central Europe.

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MUST SEE IN BRNO



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Spilberk castle

The baroque fortress with Petrov hill dominates the skyline of Brno.

The old castle was founded by King Premysl Otakar II in 1277. In the 14th century, autonomous Luxembourgs reigned here. During the centuries the castle was transformed into a forcible baroque fort. The fort resisted all swedish attacks during the battle of Brno (1643) under Raduit de Souches leadership.

In the 18th century, Spilberk became a nightmare for the whole Europe. The terrific prison was built in Kasematy. The heaviest prison in Austrian-Hungarian empire was called „dungeon of nations“. This prison was closed as late as 1961.

Nowadays, you can find a museum there. Many famous festivals as Ignis Brunensis, Summer Shakespeare festival and iron fencing exhibitions take place there.

Petrov

This church was built on the rocky edge of the old part of the city. Together with Spilberk they make up an incommutable panorama of Brno. We can find the cathedral of St. Paul and St. Peter and the Bishop's residence there.

The cathedral of St. Paul and St. Peter is the oldest Cathedral in Brno, its beginnings are dated to 11-12th century.

It was rebuilt into a gothic church in the 14th century and it was given the final form in years 1904 and 1905 when the two towers, the dominating features, were built in neogothic style.

You can find Petrov on one kind of the Czech coin.

Freedom square (Náměstí Svobody)

The dominating feature of the city centre, the square of triangular shape, is Namesti Svobody. The first thing that you may notice is the plague column and Skacel's public fountain where the parts of his poems are written.

The whole square is bordered by bourgeois houses where historical elements together with modern ones are gently mixed.

The square is an attractive place especially when traditional Christmas and Easter markets take place. Do not forget the every-year November gustation of wine from the Czech fields. It is a unique experience.

Česká street

The pedestrian zone going from the northwest part of Namesti Svobody and leading to Jostova - where many tram stops can be found.

Looking for a great place, where anyone meets anyone? You can't miss Česka street, the biggest meeting point where young couples have dates under the clock, classmates start their way around pubs and children wait for their mums. Every day and night time, you can meet someone here.

Vila Tugendhat

The jewel of functionalism is situated in the Cerna pole quarter. It was created by famous architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe for Mr and Mrs Tugendhat in 1928. Because of their Jewish origin, they had to escape and the house was used by Willy Messerschmidt, a German aircraft engineer. After the second World War, Red army ruined almost the whole interior. After the Velvet revolution, the house was reconstructed and in 2001 its importance was declared by its inclusion in UNESCO patrimony.

Capuchin crypt

The crypt is situated in the basement of Elevation of the Holy Cross Church near Masarykova street. There you can find mummified bodies of more than 50 people, monks and Aristocrats from 18th century. The bodies were mummified just by air and you can admire their whole physiognomy. The body of famous Baron Trenck, a leader of dragoon regiment (one kind of Brno beer is named in his honor) and St.Clementine relics are buried there.

Jundrov forest

If you want to get rest in a forest within the city of Brno, you should go to Jundrov. The wide forest-park is just few minutes by tram from the centre. Many pavements cross this park. You can meet mouflons, deer, wild pigs and many other animals there.

How to get there: the bus No. 52 from Mendel square („Mendlovo namesti“), it's the stop „Stara dalnice“.

Brno Exhibition Centre

This fairground is most important exhibition ground in the Czech Republic. It is situated in Pisarky valley near Mendel square. It was founded in 1928. The pavilions were designed by elite architects of that era. Many exhibitions such as the international machine, industries exhibit, invex, the concerts of the best rock bands like Linkin Park, Rolling Stones can be seen here.

How to get there: tram No. 1, tram stop called „Vystaviště“.

The University campus

The complex of the most modern university buildings in Europe. It is situated next to the university hospital of Brno. The theoretical departments of Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Sports Studies are situated there.

Take a bus No. 60 or 61 to bus stop „Nemocnice Bohunice“ or you can take a trolley bus No. 25 from Mendel square to the same bus stop.

Prehrada (dam)

This 10 kilometres long dam, also called the „Sea of Brno“, used to be one of the most frequent recreation areas, where boats were anchored and the green meadows around attract used to people for long walks. It is still a very popular centre for relaxation and sports activities, especially the water sports such as windsurfing, canoeing, sailing, fishing and many more. With regrets we have to say, that swimming in the dam is at your own risk because of cyanobacteria.

The best way how to get there is to take a tram No.1 and get out at the „Pristaviste station“.

If you want to take a longer walk, go to the north to the Veveri castle.

Veveri castle

The castle is lying upon the river Svatka in the north end of Brno dam. This gothic castle was founded in the 13th century. During centuries a small manor was transformed into a large castle with huge fortifications and towers. In 19th century countess Ypsilanti rebuilt the surroundings into parkside with glasshouses.

The area surrounding the castle is hilly and woody, it is a good choice for having a picnic because of the nice view of the dam. You can get there by bus, bike or by boat across the dam.

Brno Underground

The subterranean kingdom in the historical centre of the city of Brno allows visitors a unique insight into mysterious and unusual places, which underline the centuries of history that the city boasts, a history which has not been explored in great detail. It is also thanks to this that the genius loci of these places enthused with history. This includes the labyrinth under Zelny trh and Cellar of the Master of the Mint on Dominikanske namesti.

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BRNO CITY LIFE



Transportation in Brno

General information

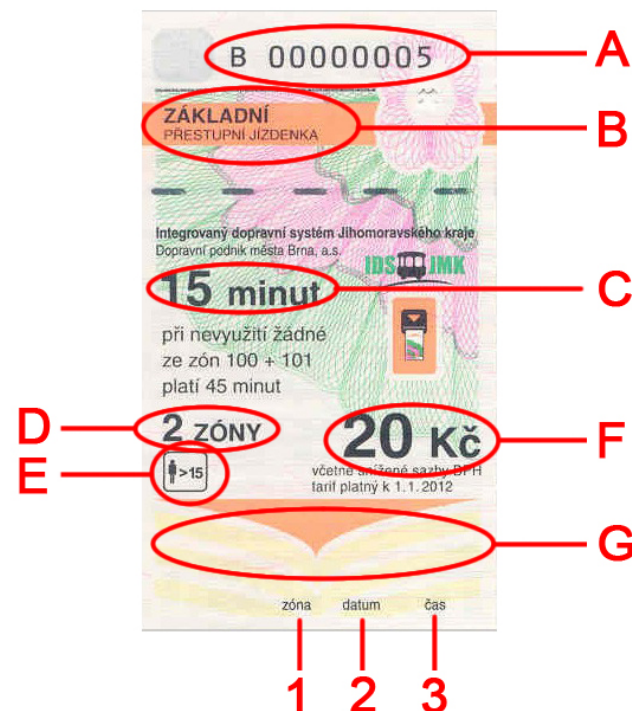
The city of Brno and its surroundings are serviced by a public transport system with unified travel tickets, which you can use for travelling by trams, buses, trolley-buses, minibuses, boats and trains (limited distance). This company is called Dopravní podnik města Brna (abr. DPMB) - in English it is called - Brno Public Transportation Company.

Tickets

Before each journey, the traveller has to have a ticket and validate it immediately after boarding the vehicle. During changes, tickets do not need to be further validated.

The validity of a ticket is time and zone limited. If you travel around Brno you don't have to buy any tickets with extra zones. The ticket is valid from the moment it is validated for a period specified on it and only in those tariff zones marked on the ticket.

All tickets are transferable, except the 10 minutes ticket (this one is valid only in the vehicle, where it was already validated).



LEGEND TO PICTURE

- A ... ticket number
 - B ... type of ticket
 - C ... time validity of ticket
 - D ... zone validity of ticket
 - E ... how tickets are used
 - F ... price
 - G ... print for marking:
- 1 ... zone
 - 2 ... date
 - 3 ... time

Tickets are sold at ticket vending machines at transport hubs and important stops, tobacconists, outlets of the Brno Public Transportation Company and drivers.

Most important tickets

NO. OF ZONES	VALIDITY	Price- BASIC	Price- REDUCED
2	15 min.	20 CZK	10 CZK
2	60 min.	25 CZK	12 CZK
2	1 month	550 CZK	275 CZK*
2	3 months	4750 CZK	685 CZK*

*For all students until the age of 26

Losing a ticket, forgetting travelling pass, ticket control

You need to have a validated ticket during your entire journey. That means you have to validate it immediately after getting on board. In every vehicle, there can be ticket controllers. These are casually dressed men or women, which will show you a card or metal badge of Brno Public Transportation Company. You have to show them your ticket or pass. If you don't have any of these, you will have to pay a fine, **700 CZK** if you pay immediately or within 5 working days, **1000 CZK** if you pay later. If you own a pass and you just simply forgot to take it with you, you have to (to avoid paying the full fine) bring it within 5 working days to an outlet of transportation company and you will pay a fine of **50 CZK**. Should you lose anything when travelling, ask any driver for assistance. All found items are deposited, the following day, at the Lost and Found Office, Malinovského nám. 3, Tel. No. +420 542 173 012

Transportation during a night

Between **23:00 and 5:00** there are running no trams, trolley-buses or casual buses. In this time there are **night buses** signed by numbers 89-99. These gather together in front of the Main railway station and leave together at specific times:

- Friday and Saturday nights - 23:00, 23:30, 0:00, 0:30...every half an hour until 5:00
- a night before a working day (e.g. Wednesday or Sunday) - 23:00, 23:30, 0:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00

BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS!!!

Sports Venue

Indoor Climbing

More info: www.tjsokolbrno1.cz

Address: Kounicova 20

Kraví Hora Swimming pool

End of tram no.4.

More info: www.kravihora-brno.cz

Sprint Tennis

Indoor, outdoor tennis courts

More info: www.sprinttennis.cz

Fitness Centrum Velký Průvan

Tram 2 or 6 (tram station Celní)

More info: www.posilovna-pruvan.cz

E-mail: velkypruvan@gmail.com

Address: Vídeňská 77

Fitness 3000

More info: www.fitness3000.cz

E-mail: fitnes3000@seznam.cz

Address: Divadelní 3 - Brno

Big One Fitness Club

Take tram or bus to "Hlavní nádraží"

More info: www.big1fitness.cz

Tel: (+420) 542 211 903

E-mail: info@big1fitness.cz

Address: Benešova 14/16

2nd Location

Take tram to Mendlovo Náměstí

Tel: (+420) 543 254 616

Address: Václavská 6

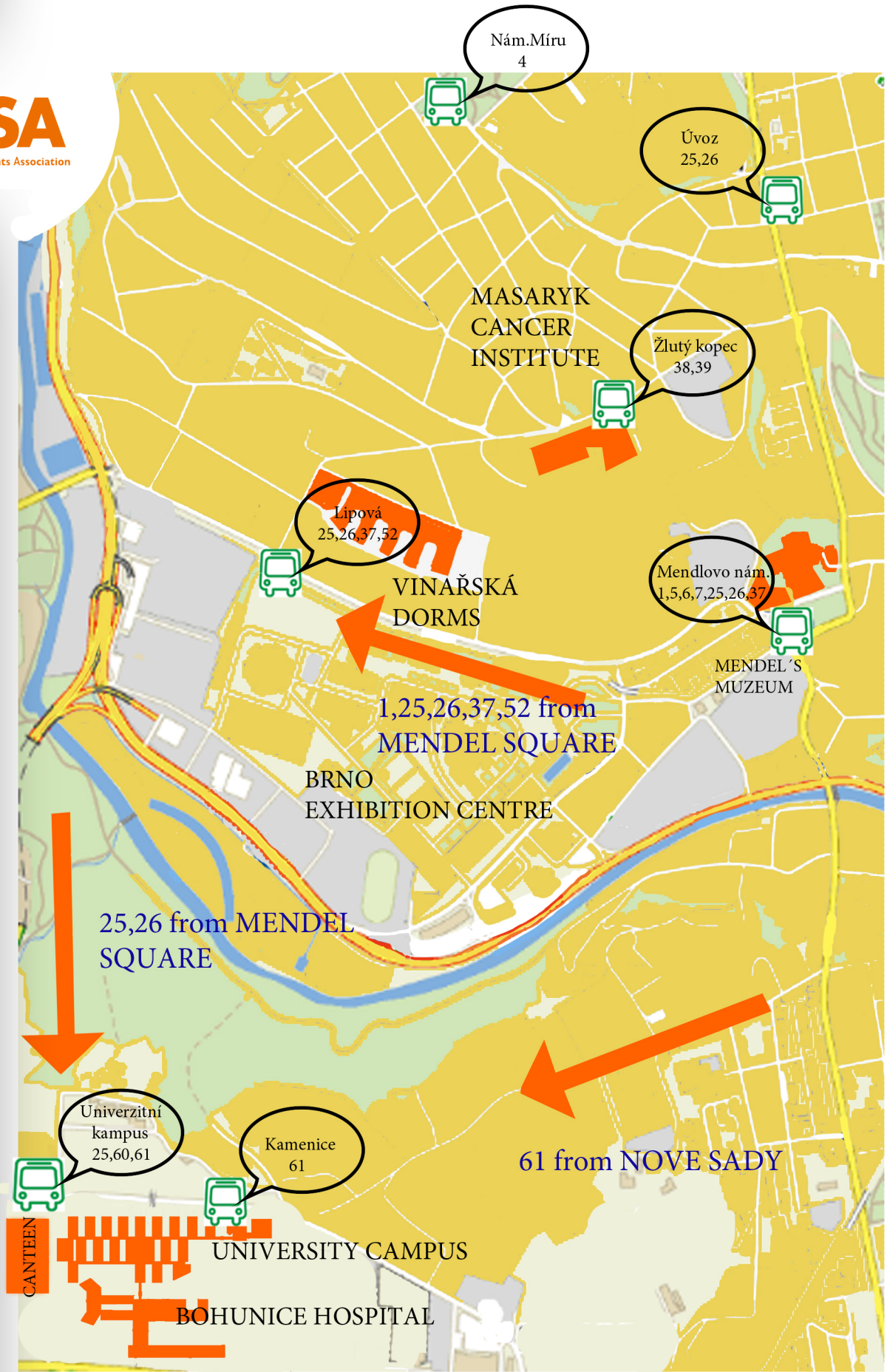
Fitness & Wellness Center at Best Western Hotel (Hotel International)

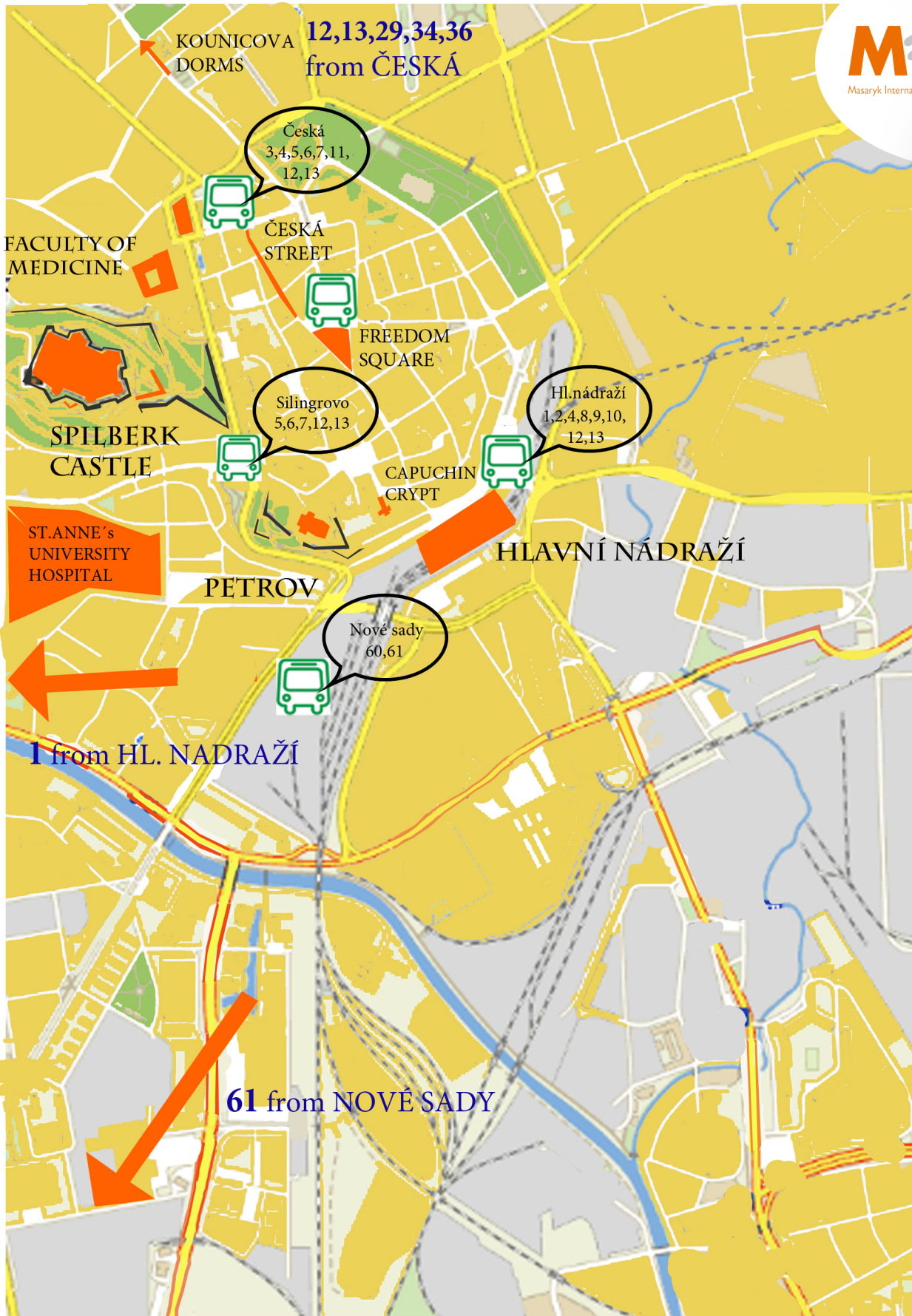
Take tram to Česká

Tel: (+420) 542 122 333

E-mail: fitness@hotelinternational.cz

Address: Husova 16





MAP OF BRNO - CENTRE

Communication

The isolation from the Iron curtain days still influence normal life in the Czech Republic and you can feel it mostly in communication. Sometimes older people are diffident to international students. The majority of older people speak only czech eventually russian. But don't be afraid that nobody will understand. Almost all of young czechs speak english or german.

Czech is a very specific and hard language, which has its own specific letters like Ř-a fricative trill (no one except czechs can pronounce it;)

But the pronunciation is quite simply-the letters sound the same as you read them.

During your stay-in a hospital, in a restaurant or in shop, the phases bellow can be use full for you.

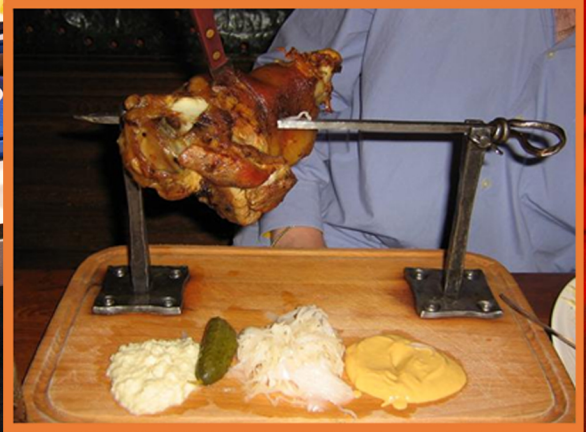
Yes/no	Ano/ne	
Maybe	Možná	(mozna:)
Please	prosim	(roseem)
Help	pomoc	(j omots)
Thank you	Děkuju	(diekhuvu)
Excuse me	prominte	(prominteh)
Good morning	Dobře ráno	(Dobře rahno)
Good day (formal hello)	Dobry den	(Dobree den)
Good night	Dobrou noc	(Dobrow nots)
Hi	Čau	(Chaw)
Goodbye	Nashledanou	(nashledanow)
What is your name	jak se jmenujes	(jak se menoovesh)
My name is ...	jmenuji se	(menoovui se)
Nice to meet you	Těší mě	(tie shee-mye)
How are you (formal way)	Jak se máte	(ak seh mateh)
How are you (informal)	Jak se máš	(Yak seh mash)
I'm well	Mam se dobře	(mam se dobrje)
I don't speak czech	Nemluvim česky	(nemluvim cheski)
Do you speak english?	Mluvíte anglicky?	(mluveete anglitske)
Excuse me, I don't understand czech	Promiňte, nerozumím česky	(prominteh. nerotsumim cheski)

How much is it?	Kolik to stojí	(kolik to stoye)
Where is?	Kde je?	(kde ye)
You are so pretty	Ty jsi tak krásná/y	(ty jsi tak krásnáh)
Can I buy you a drink?	Můži to objednat pití	
One beer please	Jedno pivo, prosím	(yedno pivo proseem)
Do you want a shot?	Dáš si panáka?	(dash si pana:ka)

Can you help me?

Můžete mi pomoci, prosím?

Next stop	Další zastávka	(dalshee zasta:vkah)
Dormitory	Koleje	(koleve)
Hospital	Nemocnice	(Nemotznitseh)
Tram	šalina	(shalinah)
Railway station	hlavní nádraží	(hlavneeh nahdrazhyee)
Good pub	dobrá hospoda	(dobrah hospoda)
Vine	víno	(veeno)
Beer	pivo	(pivo)
Thief	zloděj	(zdodvey)
Lunch	oběd	(obved)
Dinner	večeře	(vechere)
Breakfast	snídaně	(sneedanye)
Class room	učebna	(utchebnah)
Doktor	doktor	
Nurse	sestřička	(sestrichka)
Toilet	záchod	(za:khod)
Men/ ladies	páni/dámy	(pa:nii/da:my)
Shower	sprcha	



Czech cuisine

Eating habits in the Czech Republic are quite different from the rest of the world. Our cuisine is typical for middle Europe - it is quite heavy, but in combination with our national drink - beer; it is a tasty meal and a delicious experience. Eating is a Czech national sport. You can see many people with their well deserved bellies. We call it “beer pregnancy” or “beericeps”.

Soups

Czech meal consists of two courses - the first ordinary part is a hot soup. It is usually served as part of the menu in restaurants. Most common are beef or chicken broth with noodles or liver dumplings.

Sauces

Sauces (omáčky) have the leading role in Czech cuisine - usually made from meat broth and vegetables (e.g. tomato sauce, mushroom sauce and sauerkraut soup called „zelňačka“ or famous vegetable sauce and marinated beef sirloin called “svíčková”).

The main course

- **Roasted pork, sauerkraut, dumplings** (“vepřo-knedlo-zelo”) - the most famous Czech meal. You can order it in all Czech restaurants and we highly recommend you to try it. (As a side dish to the sauces we usually serve dumplings (knedlíky) - meal made from a dough (flour, eggs and sometimes potatoes) boiled in hot water).
- **Goulash** - originally a Hungarian dish, which is very popular in the Czech Republic. It is in fact meat broth with red pepper. Also served with dumplings but of a different kind - made from a roll.
- **Vepřové koleno** - A roasted pork knee is a typical pub dish, served with horseradish and mustard. They even make a special serving holder for it, which could easily double as a medieval torture device for a small animal.
- **Bramboráky** - fried pancakes made of rough-grated or fine-grated raw potatoes, flour, milk spiced with marjoram.
- **Wiener schnitzel** - meat fillet in bread-crumbs served with potato salad or fried cheese with potatoes.
- **Koláče, Buchty** - a type of yeast pastry consisting of fillings ranging from fruits to cheese or poppy seeds on doughnuts.

Beer

Brewing has longstanding traditions in the Czech Republic. The first records about beer production relate to 1088 and the first brewery is known to have existed in 1118 and the city of Brno had the right to brew beer from the 12th century. The most famous Czech beer brands are Pilsner Urquell and

Budweiser Budvar, but in Czech Rep. you can try many different beers, some of them you can find only in specific days during the year e.g. harvest beer "Dožínkové pivo" or green beer "Zelené pivo".

Practical information

Almost all beers produced in the Czech Republic are bottom-fermenting. They are varied in colour from pale "světlé", through amber "polotmavé" and dark "tmavé" to black "černé". Top-fermented wheat beer "pšeničné pivo" can also be found pretty often. Beers in the Czech Rep. are brewed in different strengths from 3-9% of alcohol, which will be expressed also in its taste. In pubs or on the labels you can distinguish this by grade scale. Mostly you can get "tap" beer 10° containing app. 4.4% alc., "lager" beer, brewed between 11° (5% alc.) and 12° (5.5% alc.) and "special" beers, brewed above 13°.

Reservations are not obligatory if you want to go for a beer. On one side there is a high possibility that you won't find a free place in the pub you wanted; on the other side there are lots of other pubs nearby you can visit. The most popular days for going for a beer are Friday followed by Wednesday and Saturday, that's why we recommend you to reserve for a place (or make a reservation). Making a reservation is for free; usually you have to be there by 20:00, at the latest.

Smoking in the pubs is allowed in Czech Republic, but in some restaurants or cafes you can easily find a non-smoking part, unfortunately this is not the case with pubs.

the next page, you have a IFMSA TOP 5 pubs list. You can find more pubs (also so good) in appendixes.

IFMSA CZ - TOP 5 pubs for BEER LOVERS

U Richarda

- Address: Údolní 7 (behind of the Faculty of Medicine in downtown)
- Reservation: 00420 775 027 918, www.uricharda2.cz
- 4 kind of beers - Honey beer called in Czech „Medovépivo“, Sour cherry beer called „Višňovépivo“, Wheat Beer called „Pšeničnépivo“ and Light lager called „Světlýležák“ coming under a small Brno brewery from city part Žebětín

Středověká krčma

- Address: Česká 6
- Reservation: 00420 542 21 00 21, brno.stredovekakrcma.cz
- Every Friday and Saturday historical fencing or belly dancers can be found here. Here, you can try very old Slavic drinks „Medovina“ called “mead” in English. It is light alcohol made from honey, you can drink it cold or hot („Soptící medovina“) with steam coming out of it. Another interesting beer would be beer Korma, that is a mixture of mead and a beer. The right place where you can feel the history

Steak bar Modrá růže

- Address: Modrá růže - Kounicova 2
- Reservation: Modrá růže - 00420 521 248 912
- Here you can try here almost 20 different kinds of beers, produced by bigger and smaller breweries and many steaks-even tartar steak from raw beef

Minipivovar Pegas

- Address: Jakubská 4
- Reservation: 00420 542 210 104, www.hotelpegas.cz
- This is another small brewery in Brno with its own beers. Most people don't like the staff here, but many like the beers.

Pivovarská pivnice

- Address: Mendlovo náměstí 20
- Reservation: 00420 543 420 130, www.pivovarskabrno.cz
- This is the biggest and most famous brewery of Brno producing its own beer called “Starobrno” for many centuries.

Restaurants

There are plenty of restaurants, the best choice are Czech pubs and restaurants, with a typical Czech cuisine. Of course, you can find many international restaurants such as Italian, Indian, French, Spanish or Asian. It takes time to decide, what your favourite meal is and where you want to have it.

You can find a list of some restaurants here. International restaurants are in the appendix.

Arca di Adria

One of the most welcoming restaurants and the most central with Italian food. Has a great outside place during summer. Address: Náměstí Svobody 17

Pegas

A frequently visited place due to its nice atmosphere and beer variety. You can also experience here some of Czech traditional dishes. Address: Jakubská 120

Blahovka

Awarded with the certificate of “Best Pilsner Beer” of all Brno, combined with the famous “koleno” (knee pork) makes the perfect spot for those you like to have the “breakfast of champions”. Address: Gorkého 54

Empire

In the top of the building, it combines the perfect atmosphere with a great view. Also provides a lovely meal giving you're the opportunity of tasting something different.

M-Palace

With the best view over the city and quite a romantic atmosphere, makes it a nice choice to hang out with your beloved one. Address: Heršpická 813

Stopkova plzenska pivnice

A new restaurant in the popular and crowded street, Ceska. A must go to restaurant, mainly due to its traditional Czech food and good beer. Address: Česká 5

Annapurna

This restaurant offers an ethnic Indian cuisine cooked for you by experienced Indian chefs. Friendly staff and guaranteed quality are offered to you right in the heart of Brno. Address: Josefska 427/14

Nightlife

There are many ways on how to spend time in this city when the sun goes down.

You can choose between more than 1000 pubs, music clubs, where many Czech or international (pop, music) groups play, or discos. You will be surprised, how long the pubs stay open and you can enjoy well-know Czech beer. But be careful-public drinking is prohibited in the city. We decided to place a list of our favourite restaurants below. You know-many of pubs are ok but the really good ones you need to find more than one month.

We want to share our international fellow experiences with you to make this night ride much easier for you;)

MIMSA TOP 5 clubs

7nebe

Address: Jánská 9

Reservation: (+420) 777 994 494 E-mail: provoz@7nebe.cz

7nebe is a favorite for MIMSA parties. Right in the center this club is spacious with a lot of dancing room to get your groove on. Not only are the bartenders friendly, but the drinks are cheap as well!

TwoFaces

Address: Biskupská 1

Reservation: (+420) 775 960 930

Two faces is the #1 spot for international students. Located right on Šilingrovo náměstí, it is the only club in Brno with a pool inside it! Great music ranging from the most recent to popular oldies, two floors, and two bars. It is a great place not only for dancing but also socializing, you're bound to have a great night here.

Livingstone

Address: Dominikánské nám.

Reservation: +420 542 210 090

Set in a interesting environment, Livingstone offers the kind of atmosphere you can't find anywhere else in Brno. Popular to both Czech and international students with music appealing to everyone's taste, from 80's to hip-hop. This club has foosball, an upstairs drinking area, and a separate chill-out room.

Metrrro

Address: Poštovská 6
Reservation: 515 533 452

With sofas and movie-inspired posters, this is a great environment to not only get merry! Metro always attracts a friendly crowd with people only looking to have fun!

Fleda

Address: Štefánikova 24

Fleda is one of the largest clubs in Brno and hosts the most important club events in Brno. The club is usually booked for big themed events. It has one of Brno's biggest dance floors, multiple bars, chillout area and another small dance floor. A good place to go for groups, and a great place to meet new people from different backgrounds.

Cafés

It is not a problem to have a coffee or have lunch on every corner of the city. „Small gardens“, that is how we call them, grow up every spring in the front of the restaurants and cafes, where you can sit and enjoy your drinks or meal outside.

No matter what it is, if you like some specialities from cafe shops with extraordinary kinds of coffee, if you prefer to drink a beer somewhere in the pub or if you give a way to delicious wine which is served right from the barrel, you will be surprised of pleasant prices and nice waiters everywhere.

Liberty Cafe

A MIMSA favourite! Found in near the upmarket shops of Brno centre, Liberty Café is a splendid place to have a coffee and a bite to eat during the day, and with late opening hours it is a good option for pre-drinking before proceeding to a nearby club.

Café Lavazza

Your local coffee. Comfortable and relaxing, just right for hanging out and catching-up with friends.

Solitaire

A chic café found in the city centre with a pleasant garden area. Offers coffee, moravian wine, beer and fresh food. Can also be booked for private functions.

Podnebi

A discreet and charming café, situated just behind the Komenského náměstí. Friendly service, free Wi-Fi, coffee, tea, chocolate and Paninis it is a good place to go for a chat with friends. The outdoor patio is great in the summer!

La Dolce Vita (non-smoking)

This café is seated in the historic part of town, Petrov Brno, near the church. It offers a quiet environment with a summer garden and Italian music. La Dolce Vita boasts 38 kinds of hot chocolate, 28 kinds of frappe, specialty coffee, Italian coffee (PORTIOLI), alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, salads, toasts, ice cream sundaes.

Mezzanine Café

Situated just behind the Computer Rooms, a favorite amongst Portuguese students. Well-know for the portuguese coffee and „ Pastéis de nata“

What is the great advantage of Brno when we are talking about shopping? An amazing idea to buy? everything necessary, everything what can satisfy your needs, nearby. As the time went by, a lot of new supermarkets and shopping areas have grown in Brno. Supermarkets try to cover all customers needs and their opening time is very often non-stop. The shopping areas themselves are usually open until 9 p.m. We would mention for example

Vankovka

A warehouse turned into a shopping center with a large variety of shops and cafés. A gallery is the passing point between the central train station and the bus station. If you need to find something, that would be the perfect place to start.

Olympia

The second shopping area is little bit peripheric, with almost one hundred shops, cafes, restaurants or fast foods with the addition of a kart circuit. Challenge your friends and have a great afternoon chilling out. Though out of the city, still a good place to visit for a good time. The cinema complex is also situated there.

There is a free bus connection between Vankovka and Olympia with special blue buses.

H&M / Zara

Because students have to always look their best, the best place to create your style would be Zara and H&M. Adress: Česká 161

Wagner

A must go to any student who needs books, dossiers or any other kind of study material to be successful in their course. Adress: Česká 161

IKEA

The perfect place to buy furniture and make your house/flat feel more like home. Adress: Skandinávská 4

Of course you can find other supermarkets such as **Kaufland, Billa, Tesco, Albert, Interspar** in Brno

MIMSA Cards Discounts & Benefits

Accommodation/Real Estate:

<http://www.foreigners.cz/>

Check also other services such as the personal assistance, the comprehensive health insurance for foreigners, transportation from/to airport and much more!



Translation services:

<http://www.aback.cz/en/>

Translation services ABACK linguistic consulting:

Certified translations, European and non-European languages, comprehensive services.



Office equipment, Copy and Printings:

<http://www.copytoner.cz/>

Copy center and office equipment

MIMSA card-holders get 10% discount



Restaurants:

Indian Restaurant Annapurna

You can now benefit from a **10% discount** (excluding Lunch Menu).

<http://www.indicka-annapura.cz/>



Billiard:

Enjoy playing some billiard at Šilingrāk Billiard club close to Šilingrovo namesti (Biskupska 10). Get a **10% discount** on playing pool mo-fr until 8pm and sa until 7pm when showing your MIMSA card. On sundays you get a **20% discount** until 8pm.



Car rentals:

Car Rental Excelent Car

20% discount when you present your MIMSA card. Tel +420736208288

www.pujcovnaautbrno.cz

www.excellentcarhire.com



Půjčovna aut Brno

krátkodobý a dlouhodobý pronájem

MIMSA & ISIC CARDS

ISIC Cards Discounts & Benefits

Technologies:

<http://www.istylecz.cz/>

Apple devices with 5% discount in the presence of ISIC Card.

Adress: Nam. Svobody n°20

Olympia Shopping Mall

Cultural events:

Discount in Ballet, Opera and Theatre tickets

Restaurants:

At McDonald's you can have a special menu for a special rice (Medium BigMac meal & Medium McChicken meal both for 160kc)

Driving school :

Autoskola Chaloupkova

Get 10% off on all driving school courses

Gym:

Big One Fitness

Get 20% off gym entrance

Hotel International

Get 10% off gym entrance

Food:

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We hope that this booklet is helpful for you and that you will enjoy your studies and life here in Brno. We looked forward to seeing you throughout orientation week. The activities we have scheduled are as follows:

Monday, Sept. 10th: Campus Tour and Scavenger Hunt around Brno

Tuesday, Sept. 11th: Enrollment and Lunch with Parents
Pool Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 12th: Enrollment and Lunch with Parents
Evening Pub Games

Thursday, Sept. 13th: Enrollment and Lunch with Parents
Laser Tag

Friday, Sept. 14th: Enrollment and Welcome BBQ
Karaoke Evening

Saturday, Sept. 15th: Day at the pool (if weather permissible)
Cocktail Party

Sunday, Sept. 16th: Boat ride to the castle Veveri (if weather permissible)

Mon. Sept. 17th - Fri. Sept. 21st: First week of classes

Friday. Sept. 21st: Fresher's Party

For each event we will meet in front of the Medical Faculty at Komenského nám. 2, if not otherwise specified. You will be informed about the times and venues during enrollment or by checking our website for updated information: www.mimsa.cz



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We hope that it proves useful for your studies and life in Brno and we look forward to meeting you in person.

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