

PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENTS ADMITTED ON THE BASIS OF SPECIAL ADMISSION PROCEDURE FOR APPLICANTS TO STUDY AT FI FOLLOWING THE WAR CONFLICT IN UKRAINE IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022/2023

(as amended with effect from 1 September 2022)

Pursuant to Section 28(1) of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments and Supplements to Other Acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Higher Education Act"), I issue the following measure:

Article 1

Introductory provisions

- (1) The Faculty of Informatics of MU has admitted persons who are subject to temporary protection under Act No.65/2022 Coll. to study in the academic year 2022/2023 as part of a special admission procedure.
- (2) These students are in an emergency situation due to the ongoing war in their homeland. The FI MU academic community is aware of the uniqueness and difficulty of their situation.
- (3) Studying at a university in Czech requires advanced knowledge of the Czech language. The students in question could not have prepared for this fact and are at a disadvantage compared to other students who consciously chose to study at FI MU in Czech.
- (4) Moreover, these students have only a short period of time to learn sufficient Czech, as their studies start in the academic year 2022/2023.
- (5) The Study and Examination Regulations of Masaryk University (SZŘ MU) were not designed for this extraordinary situation.
- (6) Article 43 (Extraordinary Means) of the MU GTC allows the dean to grant exceptions to students.
- (7) The Dean is prepared to use the exemption mechanism for the benefit of the above-mentioned students in **order to help them integrate into the Czech-speaking academic environment during their first year of study** in the following manner and under the following conditions.

Article 2

Conditions for claiming exemptions

- (1) The following exceptions to the requirements for enrolment in the next semester may be applied for by students who:
 - a) fails to meet the requirements for enrolment in the next semester of study according to the MU CPR; and
 - b) are subject to temporary protection within the meaning of Law 65/2022 or have a similar status in connection with the war in Ukraine (temporary protection for students is valid

under the law until March 2023; we assume that the above law may be replaced/revised or some form of student visa may be created); and

- c) have not passed a B2 level exam in Czech language in a language course organised by the Centre for Language Education of Masaryk University (CJV MU) before the start of the course.

Article 3

Exception - Relaxed enrolment conditions for the 2nd semester

- (1) The Dean is prepared to grant students who meet the conditions of Article 2 of this measure, an exemption from fulfilling the conditions for regular enrolment in the 2nd semester. The condition for granting an exemption is that the student attends the Czech language course CJV_cz_Uk Czech for Ukrainian Students organised by CJV MU and duly completes this course in the 1st semester.

Article 4

Exception - Relaxed enrolment conditions for the 3rd semester

- (1) The Dean is prepared to grant an exemption to students who meet the conditions of Article 2 of this measure to relax the conditions of enrolment in the third semester of study to the following extent and under the following conditions:
 - a) the applicant for an exemption must obtain a total of at least 10 credits from compulsory courses in semesters 1 and 2 (*credits must normally be obtained in accordance with Article 12(2)(a) of the MU CPR*);
 - b) academic failures in credit, colloquium and examination in the first year of study do not count towards the number of remedial terms within the meaning of the MU CPR; and
 - c) the condition for granting an exemption is that the student holds a certificate at the time of the decision on the exemption at least at level B2 in Czech language issued on the basis of an examination held within the framework of the language courses CJV_cz_Uk Czech for Ukrainian students.

Article 5

Information and recommendations of the Dean

The Dean reminds students that the above exceptions can only be granted **upon written and reasoned request. Exceptions may be granted individually for other reasons and under other conditions.**

The exceptions **will only temporarily alleviate study obligations during the first academic year and allow students to continue their studies.** However, students will be required to duly complete all prescribed study requirements in their further studies. From the 3rd semester onwards, students are expected to be fully integrated into the academic community.

The dean recommends that students fulfill their study obligations to the maximum extent possible and earn as many credits as possible in required courses without the need to use exemptions.

Exemptions can help students continue their studies, but can also potentially make it more difficult to progress through the subsequent years of study.

The Dean also informs students that they can apply to borrow equipment for socially disadvantaged and needy FI students on the basis of the [measure of the Dean of the Faculty of Informatics of Masaryk University No.10/2021](#).

Article 6

Final provisions

- (1) I entrust the interpretation of this measure to the Vice-Dean for Bachelor's and Master's Studies of the Faculty of Informatics.
- (2) This measure shall enter into force on the date of its publication.
- (3) This measure shall enter into force on 1 September 2022.

*Jiri Zlatuska
Dean FI
signed electronically*