

# MUNI FACULTY OF SOCIAL STUDIES

Monthly  
Newsletter for  
International  
Students



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## MESSAGE FROM VICE- DEAN SUCHÝ

Dear students,

The academic year 2021/2022 is now history. I hope that you students enjoyed and relished, as we teachers did, the fact that we were able to return to regular contact classes. I believe that meeting teachers and fellow students in the corridors and classrooms of our faculty building made you happy and provided you extra boost to get through your courses successfully.

Now is the time begins when you have opportunity to relax, renew invested energy, and make new friendships. Enjoy! We all at the faculty and the foreign office look forward to seeing you back in September, and want to congratulate everyone who successfully passed their state exams and are now alumni of FSS.

- vice-dean Suchý



# A QUICK LOOK BACK AT THE YEAR

Faculty BBQs, hikes to castles, graduation, academic discussions, breakfasts and the day of the faculty. Thanks for spending your time with us!



## EVAULATION OF THE FACULTY

**Help us improve for next year!**

Please take the time to complete the [evaluation](#) about the events organized by the faculty last year and your experience and communication with the faculty. We look forward to your feedback so we can continue to improve!

## FSS MATES

**Czech speakers for MOI appointments and more!**

If you would like support at the Ministry of Interior, a doctors appointment, or other such instances when Czech support may be helpful, you can sign up for an FSS mate to travel with you.

Please note, the FSS Mate is not responsible to make an appointment for students, nor to help students fill out applications (i.e. it is the students responsibility that they have all the required documentations required of the appointment).

Students can request the services now, more information can be found [here](#).

## FALL SEMESTER DATES

Teaching in the autumn semester will take place 12 September to 11 December. The examination period is 2 January to 12 February.

You can find all dates for the next academic year [here](#).

## REMINDER: ENROLL AND REGISTER FOR THE UPCOMING SEMESTER

During the Summer Holidays, don't forget to enroll for the upcoming semester and register for courses using the IS. You can start applying for enrollment in the term from 16.5 to 19.9 and start registering for courses from 20.6 to 28.8

## 7 JULY WEBINAR

**Stay and Work in Brno after Graduation**

Join the Brno Expat Centre experts as they explain the steps you have to take to legally stay in Brno after your graduation, and to freely access the labour market (options, legal procedures, documents needed). They'll also talk about how to work (part-time) while your studies are still ongoing and will be ready to answer your questions.

Register [here](#).

Quick Reminder - Registration and Enrollment are separate actions

- Registration: The registration period determines the interest of students in courses. Students can obtain better time stamps for capacity-limited courses.
- Enrollment: During this period there is an automatic enrollment / confirmation of subjects for which enrollment conditions have been met (capacity, prerequisites, etc.). Only at the moment of enrollment do you acquire the right and obligation to study the course.



# UPDATED WORKING HOURS FOR FSS LIBRARY

A list of online databases available [here](#)

The [FSS library](#) will be open with shorter opening hours from July to September.

The Summer working hours

[2, 5, 6 July](#)

Closed

[4-31 July](#)

Monday to Thursday 10:00-16:00

[2-28 August](#)

Closed

[29 August - 11 September](#)

Monday to Friday 10:00-16:00

The library will return to usual opening hours on 12 September (Monday to Thursday 9:00-21:00, Friday 9:00-17:00, Saturday 9:00-15:00).

If you need any help, advice, or support from the library, please, do not hesitate to contact them at [library@fss.muni.cz](mailto:library@fss.muni.cz) or through their [Facebook chat](#).

More information from the library is [here](#).

## GRADUATION

### September 2022

Graduation will take place in the first week of September for students who successfully pass their final state exams and thesis defenses. Students will be provided information about the graduation during the summer. The faculty arranges virtual attendance for students unable to travel back to Brno so they can participate in the graduation ceremony.

## NEW BACHELOR'S PROGRAMME APPLICATION PROCESS

There is a new application process for our bachelor's programmes. Decisions will be primarily based on an entrance exam. If you know of anyone interested in applying at FSS, please make sure you do not share too much of your own experience as the process is different. You can find the new requirements on our [website](#).

# RENEWING VISAS AND WORK VISAS

## Be aware of the expiration date

Students are responsible with ensuring their residency in the Czech Republic stays active. We urge students to look at their visa or residence permit expiration dates and plan ahead.

Students should schedule their appointment in the governmental system <https://frs.gov.cz/en> . Often appointments are booked 1-2 months in advance and it can be hard to get last minute appointments, therefore please plan ahead!

**Once an appointment is scheduled, students can use our new FSS Mates programme to attend the appointment and help with any translation problems.**

### Renewing your student visa/residence permit

As a reminder, you cannot submit the application to renew your study visa until 120 days before the expiration date (i.e. if it is for September 4, you earliest you can apply is May 4), however it is always good to review what you will need for the application (proof of funds, health insurance, etc.) so you can plan ahead. The required amount of funds have now increased to 102,000CZK. **Please don't forget that according to the governmental decision you are allowed to use only PVZP company and it must be comprehensive health care. Other insurance won't be accepted by the MOI office for visa purposes, you can use this [link](#) to get the insurance.**

- For information about applying for a Long Term Residence Permit for the first time, please go to the MOI website [here](#). It's necessary to submit the application personally.
- For information about applying for extending a Long Term Residence Permit, please go to the MOI website [here](#).

### Renewing your student visa/residence permit

Students who are renewing a residence permit (the plastic card) are able to submit the [documents](#) via registered mail (in Czech „doporučeně“). If you choose to apply via mail rather than in person, send them also „žádost o sdělení čísla jednacího“ (to get your application number) and don't forget you need to send also the stamp to pay it (in Czech „kolek“, you can buy it at the post office). If you have questions about this process, you can write to Klára Němečková at 217236@muni.cz and she will help advise you.

### Are you graduating? 'Purpose of seeking employment' visas allows you to stay in the Czech Republic for up to 9 months to find a job and transition to a work visa.

Foreign nationals who are residing in the territory of the Czech Republic with a long-term residence permit for the purpose of studies and who successfully completed their university education are eligible to file an application for a long-term residence permit for the purpose of seeking employment or, as the case may be, an application for a long-term residence permit for the purpose of starting a business. For more information on the requirements for obtaining a visa for the 'purposes of seeking employment', please visit the MOI [website](#).

Last year we organized a webinar to discuss this visa with the Brno Expat Centre, you can see it [here](#). We may offer it again and if so will inform you.