

Fresher's Guide



**First Faculty
of Medicine**
Charles University



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Introduction

Welcome to the First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University. You are about to begin a world-class education in medicine or dentistry at a faculty with a proud legacy as the oldest medical school in Central Europe. We are delighted that you have chosen Charles University as your new alma mater.

We understand that the transition from high school to university can be challenging. That's why we've prepared this guide to support you during your first steps at our Faculty.

Inside, you'll find answers to many of the questions you might have about studying at the Faculty — also known as CU 1ST MED, 1. LF UK, LF1 or Jednička. This guide is designed to help you navigate your first few weeks, but if there's anything you can't find here, don't hesitate to reach out to our team. We're here to help you make the most of your potential and to support you through any challenges along the way.

Studying at our Faculty, located in the heart of the historic city of Prague, opens up a wide range of academic, cultural, and personal opportunities. We hope that your experience here will not only prepare you for a successful medical career but will also become a meaningful and unforgettable chapter in your life.

We wish you every success in your studies, along with the patience, perseverance, and passion needed to achieve your goals.

The First Faculty of Medicine
Charles University

Welcome!

Structure of the Faculty

As a student at the First Faculty of Medicine, you become part of Charles University, an institution with a history spanning nearly seven centuries. Founded in 1348 by Emperor of Holy Roman Empire, Charles IV, it is one of the oldest universities in the world.

The Faculty is headed by its Dean, Prof. Martin Vokurka, and supported by the Vice-Deans, the Dean's Board and the Academic Senate. If you would like to learn more about the leadership of the University and the Faculty, you can find detailed information on their respective websites [HERE](#).



"Let me welcome you on board! I wish you the best in studying at the First Faculty of Medicine of Charles University in Prague."

Prof. Martin Vokurka, Dean

Academic Senate

The Academic Senate is an elected governing body of the Faculty made up of both academic staff and students. Together with the Dean, it helps shape the future of the Faculty by approving important regulations and major strategic decisions.

The Senate has 30 members: half are elected by students and half by academic staff. Elections take place every three years and are usually accompanied by several weeks of lively campaigning, making them hard to miss.



As a student, you can also run for a seat in the Academic Senate. We encourage members of our international community to get involved and help represent their fellow students at the Faculty. While knowledge of the Czech language is highly recommended, students have successfully served as Senate members in the past without it.

A large meeting room at the Dean's Office of the First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, where the Academic Senate meets.

[More information about Academic Senate](#)



[Academic Senate Leadership for the 2025–2028 term](#)



International Office

The International Office is your main point of contact for study-related questions throughout your studies. The office can help you with enrollment, course registration, confirmations of study, summer clerkships, medical examinations, support for students with special needs, and other requests related to your studies.

If you have questions about your studies or are unsure how to proceed with a particular administrative matter, the International Office will be happy to help. The office is located on the ground floor of the Dean's Office building at Kateřinská 32, Prague 2. You are always welcome to visit them during **office hours** or contact them to arrange an individual appointment.

Office hours during the academic year (September–June)					
	MO	TUE	WE	THU	FRI
Student Affairs and Services	10:00 am –12:30 pm	12:30 pm –4:00 pm	X	12:30 pm –4:00 pm	X
International Cooperation and Exchange	8:00 am –12:30 pm	12:30 pm –3:30 pm	X	12:30 pm –3:30 pm	X
Tuition Fees	10:00 am –12:30 pm	12:30 pm –3:00 pm	X	12:30 pm –3:00 pm	X
Freemovers	X	12:30 pm –3:30 pm	X	9:00 am –11:00 am	X



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Before your studies begin

Visa

If you are a citizen of an EU, you do not need a visa to study in the Czech Republic. But if you are coming from a country outside the EU and plan to stay in the Czech Republic for more than 90 days, you will need to apply for a long-term student visa.

You should submit your application at the Czech Embassy or Consulate in your home country at least 90 days before your planned departure. If there is no Czech Embassy in your country, you may be able to apply at one in a neighbouring country. **Please note that it is not possible to apply for your first student visa in the Czech Republic — only to extend an existing one.**

One of the required documents is a confirmation of accommodation in the Czech Republic. If you plan to stay in a University dormitory, the Faculty will provide the necessary confirmation.

The Czech Embassy or Consulate may require the following documents:

- Valid passport (valid for at least three months after the end of your intended stay)
- Letter of Acceptance from the First Faculty of Medicine, CU
- Confirmation of accommodation in the Czech Republic (from your landlord or the University dormitory) – see the website of **the Ministry of the Interior**
- Proof of sufficient financial resources to support your stay in Czech Republic (currently at least CZK 120,000)
- Criminal record extract or an equivalent document – see the website of **the Ministry of the Interior**
- Completed visa application form, available at the Department for Asylum and Migration Policy, on the website of the Ministry of the Interior, or **the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
- One passport-sized photograph

Please note that visa requirements may change. Before submitting your application, always check the latest information on [the Official Information Portal for Foreigners](#) and the website of the relevant Czech Embassy or Consulate.

Medical Check-Up and Vaccination

Because you will work with patients during your studies, all first-year students are required to complete a medical check-up before they can begin clinical training. You must also provide proof of vaccination against Hepatitis B.

Both the medical check-up and the vaccination documents must be submitted to the International Office by 30 March of your first academic year. All required forms are available on [the Faculty website](#).

→ Step 1 – Hepatitis B Vaccination

Your vaccination status must first be verified by the Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology at

Studničkova 7, Prague 2. If you have sufficient Hepatitis B antibodies, the Institute will complete and stamp your vaccination form.

If you need to be vaccinated, the Institute will either administer the vaccine (depending on availability) or recommend another healthcare provider.

→ Step 2 – Medical Check-up

You may complete the medical examination in your home country. However, the final medical certificate must be signed and stamped by a physician licensed in the Czech Republic.

The medical history questionnaire is intended for your general practitioner and should remain in your medical records. All laboratory tests must be no older than 3 months unless stated otherwise.

The required examinations include:

- Medical history
- Physical examination
- Urine test
- Full blood count
- AST
- ALT
- BWR
- HIV
- HBsAg (not older than 1 year)
- Anti-HBs
- Chest X-ray (not older than 2 years)

If you do not have a general practitioner in Prague, you may use one of the following:

→ [Dr. Ivana Grohová, MD](#)
www.doctor-prague.com
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→ [Ordinace PL Karlín, s.r.o.](#)
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→ [MUDr. Youngová a spol., s.r.o.](#)
www.young.co.cz/en
E-mail: ordinace@young.co.cz
Phone: +420 222 366 166



Practical tips

Here are a few tips from senior students that will make your first weeks at the Faculty a little easier.

→ Lab Coat and Equipment

Before practical classes begin, make sure you have a lab coat. We recommend buying two – one for anatomy dissections and another for other laboratory classes. You can buy those on faculty's e-shop. You will also need a pair of indoor shoes for laboratory sessions and a basic dissection kit consisting of anatomical forceps and a scalpel with replaceable blades.

You can buy a Lab coat & other faculty items [here](#).

Don't worry if you're unsure what to buy. Senior students will be happy to recommend the equipment they use and answer any questions.



→ Public Transport

If you plan to use public transport, we strongly recommend purchasing a student travel pass. Prague has an excellent public transport system that is reliable, affordable, and easy to use. Travel passes can be purchased at metro stations, ticket offices, [online](#), or through [the official mobile app](#).

→ Induction Course

We highly recommend joining the Induction Course in September. It is the perfect opportunity to get to know your classmates, senior students, and the Faculty before the academic year begins. Throughout the week, you will learn how the Faculty works, explore Prague, take part in social activities, and receive practical tips to help you settle into university life. As a bonus, you will earn 3 e-credits towards your first year of study.

For more information, including registration, visit [this website](#).





Enrollment

On the enrollment day, you will meet Faculty representatives and senior students, complete the necessary study documents, receive a confirmation of enrollment, collect your student ID card/ISIC, and take part in a short tour of the Faculty.

Enrollment will take place on 11 September 2026 at the Dean's Office, Kateřinská 32, Prague 2.



Please bring the following documents with you:

- Your passport and one photocopy of the photo page
- One passport-sized photograph
- Original diplomas or other documents required for nostrification, if you have not submitted them previously
- Power of Attorney signed by your parents or legal guardians, if you are under 18 years of age.

Student ID Card/ISIC

After enrollment, you will need to obtain your Charles University student ID card. The standard student card is free of charge. If you would like to take advantage of student discounts in the Czech Republic and abroad, you can also choose a card with an **ISIC licence**.

To obtain your card, visit one of the Charles University Card Service Centres and bring your passport or ID card. A confirmation of enrollment is recommended, although staff should be able to verify your student status in the system. Your photograph will be taken on site, and your card is usually issued immediately.

When you receive your student card, you will also receive the information needed to activate your Charles University Authentication Service (CAS) account. CAS gives you access to many online services, including the Student Information System (SIS), Microsoft 365 and other applications you will use during your studies.

Student ID cards are issued at the following locations:

- UK Point – Celetná 13, Prague 1
- Faculty of Law – nám. Curieových 7, Prague 1

For more information about Student Card visit this [website](#).

Make sure to enroll first, and only then request your Student ID Card.

Always keep your student card with you. You will need it to enter Faculty buildings, borrow books from the library, use printers, and pay for meals in university canteens.





Matriculation Ceremony

The **Matriculation Ceremony** marks the beginning of your studies at Charles University. By taking the matriculation oath, you will become a student of the First Faculty of Medicine and join the Charles University academic community.

The ceremony is compulsory for all first-year students and takes place in the historic Carolinum, the ceremonial heart of Charles University (Ovocný trh 3/5, Prague 1). As this is a formal occasion, you are expected to wear formal clothing. Please note that the ceremony is intended for students only; family members and friends cannot attend.

During the ceremony, the Promotor will read the matriculation oath aloud. You will then symbolically touch the University sceptre, confirming your commitment to the rights and responsibilities of a Charles University student.

The International Office will provide you with detailed instructions before the ceremony.

I swear!

YOUR STUDIES BEGINS



Academic Calendar 2026/2027

The **Academic Calendar** contains all the important dates for the academic year, including the start of teaching, examination periods, holidays, and other important Faculty events.

11 September 2026	Enrollment
13–19 September 2026	Induction Course
23 October 2026	Matriculation Ceremony
29 September 2026	Teaching begins
1 October 2026	Official start of the academic year
28 Sept – 18 Dec 2026	Winter semester
19 Dec 2026 – 3 Jan 2027	Christmas holidays
4 Jan – 22 Jan 2027	Winter semester continues
23 Jan – 21 Feb 2027	Winter examination period
22 Feb – 4 Jun 2027	Summer semester
25 March 2027	Dean's Day (no teaching)
12 May 2027	Rector's Day (no teaching)
5 Jun – 2 Jul 2027	Summer examination period
3 Jul – 29 Aug 2027	Summer holidays*
30 Aug – 10 Sep 2027	Extended examination period
10 September 2027	Credit check / end of examination period
30 September 2027	Official end of the academic year

*Some departments may schedule examination dates during the summer holidays. For more information visit [our website](#).

Studies at the Faculty

Your studies at the First Faculty of Medicine combine lectures, practical classes, and clinical training. During the first years, you will focus mainly on theoretical subjects, while in the later years you will spend more time in hospitals working directly with patients.

Teaching takes place at the Faculty's theoretical institutes and affiliated hospitals, primarily the General University Hospital in Prague. A map of the Faculty's departments and teaching facilities can be found at the end of this guide.

The General Medicine programme lasts six years, while **the Dentistry programme** lasts five years. If you have any questions or encounter any difficulties during your studies, you can always contact the International Office or the Vice-Dean for International Studies for assistance.



Types of Classes

Your studies consist of three main types of classes:

- **Lectures** – attended by all students in your year.
- **Practical classes** – seminars, microscopy classes, and laboratory work in smaller groups.
- **Clinical training** – direct work with patients in hospitals.

Each academic year includes a winter and a summer examination period.

Clinical teaching in the General Medicine programme takes place mainly during years 4–6, when you will complete clinical rotations in different hospital departments and gradually become more involved in patient care. In the Dentistry programme, clinical training begins earlier, already in the second year.

After successfully passing all examinations, you will graduate in the historic Carolinum, where you can celebrate this important milestone together with your family and friends.

Student Information System (SIS)

The Student Information System (SIS) is the online portal you will use to manage almost every aspect of your studies.

For example you can use SIS for:

- view your courses and timetable,
- check your credits and study results,
- register for courses and examinations,
- receive important messages from the Faculty.

To access SIS, visit this [website](#) and sign in using the login details provided with your student ID card. Your username is the eight-digit number printed on the card.

Keep your personal information in SIS up to date. If you cannot update your details yourself, please contact the International Office for assistance.

SIS also includes an internal inbox used for official communication from the Faculty. Make sure to check it regularly so that you do not miss any important announcements or messages.



Compulsory and Elective Courses

Unlike at many other universities, you do not create your own timetable. Your study plan is set by the Faculty, and depends on the study group you are assigned to. Although timetables may differ between groups, all students in the same programme complete the same compulsory courses and must meet the same study requirements.

You can find your timetable and all compulsory courses assigned to your year in SIS. After successfully completing a course, your result and earned e-credits will be

recorded there. You will learn more about the e-credit system later in this guide under "EuroCredits (E-Credits)".

The only courses you enroll in yourself are elective courses. These allow you to explore topics beyond the core curriculum, develop new skills, and earn additional e-credits. Enrollment takes place through SIS, with enrollment periods announced on [the Faculty website](#) each July.

Each academic year, you must obtain at least 3 e-credits from eligible elective courses. A maximum of 9 elective e-credits can count towards the minimum required e-credits for the academic year. Any additional elective e-credits above this limit will not be counted for the current academic year.

Credits and Exams

→ Credits

A credit is one of the possible ways a course is completed and is often a requirement for taking the final examination. It confirms that you have successfully met the course requirements, which may include

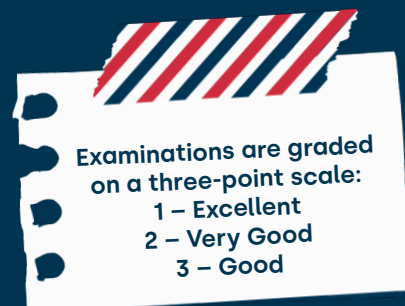
attendance, practical classes, assignments, essays, or tests. The exact requirements differ from course to course, so make sure to check them at the beginning of each semester or in SIS.

Once you meet all the requirements, your teacher will record the credit in SIS. If it does not appear within a reasonable time, contact the course department or your teacher.

Don't confuse a credit with e-credits which are points you earn after successfully completing a course. You can read more about the e-credit system in the next section.

→ Exams

Most examinations are oral, although some are preceded by a written test. Lists of examination topics are available in SIS and on the individual departments' websites.



You register for examination dates through SIS. Most subjects offer several examination dates, but popular ones can fill up quickly, so register as early as possible.

If you pass, your grade will be recorded in SIS. If you do not pass, you have up to three attempts. However, it is your responsibility to plan your examination period carefully. The Faculty does not guarantee that you will be able to use all three attempts before the examination period ends, and some departments may restrict certain examination dates (for example, September dates may be available only for repeat attempts).

If you do not pass after your final attempt, you must repeat the course, provided you meet the conditions for continuing your studies. Each compulsory course can only be repeated once. You can find more information in the Individual Study Plan (ISP) section.

If you register for an examination but cannot attend, make sure to excuse yourself in advance. Otherwise, the missed examination counts as one of your attempts.



The main examination periods take place after each semester and are listed in the [Academic Calendar](#). Additional examination dates may be available in September, but departments are not required to offer them. Plan your examinations carefully and do not rely on extra examination dates being available.

If you have previously studied at another university and would like to request recognition of completed courses, please follow the Faculty's regulations or contact the International Office for assistance.

EuroCredits (E-Credits)

EuroCredits or E-Credits are points you earn after successfully completing a course. They reflect your study progress and are used to determine whether you can continue to the next year of your programme.



You can keep track of your earned e-credits in the Student Information System (SIS). Make it a habit to check your e-credit balance regularly to make sure you are meeting the requirements for your year of study. The required number of e-credits for each year is shown in the table below.

To graduate, students in the General Medicine programme must earn 360 e-credits, while students in the Dentistry programme must earn 300 e-credits.

If you do not pass one or more compulsory subjects but still earn the minimum required number of e-credits for your year, you may be eligible to continue your studies under an Individual Study Plan (ISP). If you find yourself in this situation, always contact the International Office before making any decisions.

Year	Recommended number of e-credits	Minimum number of e-credits
1.	60	50
2.	120	110
3.	180	170
4.	240	230
5.	300	300
6.	360	360 without exception

Individual Study Plan (ISP)

An Individual Study Plan (ISP) is designed to help students continue their studies if they are unable to complete all compulsory subjects during the academic year. The missing subjects can then be completed during the first year of the ISP

To apply for an ISP, you must earn the minimum required number of e-credits for your year of study (for example, 50 e-credits in the first year). Without this minimum number of e-credits, you are not eligible for an ISP or for repeating failed compulsory courses, and your studies will be terminated.

If you think you may need an ISP, always contact the International Office as early as possible. They will help you understand your options and guide you through the necessary process. The application form is available on [the Faculty website](#).

If your application is approved, your study plan will be adjusted and your academic year will be extended. Each compulsory course may be repeated only once in the

following academic year. Repeating a course gives you three new examination attempts. Make sure to contact the course coordinator or teacher to arrange the details.

At the end of your ISP, you must successfully complete all courses included in your study plan and earn the required number of e-credits. Courses assigned to your ISP cannot be repeated again.

An ISP may also be granted in special situations, such as parenthood, an Erasmus study stay or representing the Czech Republic in sport.

All applications are assessed by the Dean or an authorised Vice-Dean.





Evaluation of Teaching

After completing each course, you can use the Teaching Evaluation section in SIS to share your feedback and help the Faculty improve the quality of teaching and the overall study experience.

The evaluation consists of a short questionnaire about the course content, lectures, seminars, and teaching. You can also leave your own comments for teachers.

All evaluations are anonymous. Although you need to log in to SIS to complete the questionnaire, teachers cannot see who submitted the feedback. If you wish, you may choose to sign your comments.

Your feedback is highly valued and helps the Faculty continuously improve the quality of teaching. Every year, nearly 1,000 students take part in the evaluation, making it an important part of student life.

*Best teachers
of 2025/2026*

Textbooks, Library, Resources

You do not need to buy all your textbooks before the academic year starts. Recommended literature for each course is available in the Student Information System (SIS) and on individual departments' websites.

We also encourage you to ask your teachers or senior students for recommendations. They can often suggest the most useful textbooks and study materials. Many books are available in the Faculty and University libraries, and MEDSOC, one of the Faculty's student association, organises an annual second-hand textbook sale where you can buy books from older students.

If you are looking for a quiet place to study, the Faculty Library at address U Nemocnice 4 is a great place to start. You can borrow books, study in the reading rooms, and use computers, printers, and photocopiers.

After enrollment, register online to activate your library account. Your registration is valid for all Charles

University libraries, but you will need your student ID card whenever you use library services.

Always check the library website for current opening hours, especially during holidays, when services may be limited. Also please remember to return borrowed books on time, as overdue books are subject to late fees.

Many textbooks, journals, and other study materials are available online through our database UKAŽ.

As you settle into university life, you will also discover many other great places to study around the Faculty. If you find a favourite spot, don't forget to share it with your classmates!





Student Wellbeing and Support

Starting university is exciting, but it can also be challenging. If you ever need support, advice, or simply someone to talk to, remember that you do not have to deal with everything on your own. The Faculty and Charles University offer a range of **free support services** for students, many of them provided through the **Carolina Centre**.

International Office

If you have questions about your studies, administration, or life in Prague, the International Office is always happy to help.

If you are not sure who to contact, this is usually the best place to start.

Year Representatives

Each year of study has elected Year Representatives who help communicate between students, teachers, and the Faculty. They collect student feedback, share important information, and represent students' interests in academic matters.

If you have suggestions, concerns, or questions affecting your year of study, you are welcome to contact your Year Representatives. Their contact details are available on the **Faculty website**.

Faculty Mediator

The Faculty Mediator helps create a safe, respectful, and fair study environment for everyone. If you experience a problem that cannot be resolved through the usual channels, or if you need confidential advice about a difficult situation, you are welcome to contact the Mediator.

"Do not hesitate to reach out to me and share your experiences—both positive and negative—related to your studies at the Faculty. Only in this way will it be possible to make a change."

MUDr. Simona Arientová, Ph.D., MBA

The Mediator provides confidential support to students and staff and helps address issues such as bullying, discrimination, inappropriate behaviour, unequal treatment, sexual harassment, conflicts, or other situations that affect the study environment. If needed, she can also guide you to the appropriate Faculty or University services.



Simona Arientová
LF1 → Students →
Mediator

The position is held by MUDr. Simona Arientová, Ph.D., MBA, who is also the Faculty's representative for ethical matters and works closely with the University Ombudsperson. You can contact her at **mediatorka@lf1.cuni.cz**. More information about the Mediator's role is available on **the Faculty website**.

LIFE IN PRAGUE

Dormitories

For most first-year students, staying in a university dormitory is the easiest and most affordable accommodation option. It is also a great way to meet other students and settle into life in Prague.

If you would like to stay in a dormitory, please contact the International Office as early as possible. They will help you reserve a place and guide you through the accommodation process.

Keep in mind that if you wish to live in a dormitory, you will be assigned a place and cannot choose it yourself.

Accommodation prices vary depending on the dormitory, room type, and length of your stay.

More info [here](#).



Each dormitory also has a Housing Assistant—a fellow student who helps international students with everyday questions about dormitory life, moving in, and settling into their new accommodation.

...Where to sleep

Canteens

As a Charles University student, you can use a network of university canteens across Prague. They offer affordable meals and are a popular place to have lunch, meet classmates, or take a break between classes.

Most canteens offer several main courses each day, including vegetarian and vegan options. You can pay easily with your student card, but remember to activate the payment function and charge it during your first visit at cash desk.

Some canteens also require you to reserve your meal in advance. You can find a list of university canteens, opening hours, and menus on the [website](#)



...Where to eat



Sports

Physical Education (PE) is a compulsory subject during your first two years of study. Most PE classes take place at the Charles University Sports Centre (SCUK) in Hostivař, Bruslařská 10.

If you are a professional or high-performance athlete competing at national or international level, you may apply to be excused from PE by providing proof of your sporting activities. Students with medical restrictions should submit a doctor's note at the beginning of the semester. In such cases, PE is usually replaced by theoretical lessons and rehabilitation.

If you enjoy sports, you can continue taking PE as an elective subject in later years. Charles University offers a wide range of activities, including beach volleyball, floorball, golf, climbing, swimming, and many others. You can also join summer and winter sports courses, massage training, or sports trips abroad, for example to Austria or Italy.



Internet and Social Media

During your studies, you will use several online platforms every day. Besides the Student Information System (SIS), you will regularly work with Moodle for course materials and assignments, Microsoft Teams for online communication and classes, and other educational platforms such as AMBOSS.

As a Charles University student, you will also receive a Microsoft 365 licence, giving you free access to Microsoft Office applications throughout your studies.

You can connect to the Eduroam Wi-Fi network in all Faculty buildings and most university facilities. To access Eduroam, you first need to activate your account through the Charles University Authentication Service (CAS). One of the advantages of Eduroam is that it also works at thousands of universities and higher education institutions around the world.

If you need a computer on campus, several computer rooms are available for student use.

For official information, regulations, and the latest news, always check the Faculty website. If you cannot find the answer to your question there, the International Office will be happy to help.

You can also stay connected through our social media channels:

Facebook: [@lf1uk](#)

Instagram: [@1lf_charlesuni](#)

YouTube: [@LF1UK](#)



STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS

→ MEDSOC

MEDSOC is a student society, whose mission is to help international students adjust to life at the First Faculty and support their success, whether that's recommending the right study resources and strategies, organizing social events and extracurricular activities, or simply serving as a reliable support network to ensure student well-being.



For students who want to stay active, MEDSOC organizes competitive football, basketball, and other sports clubs that play exciting matches each year, open to anyone interested.

One of MEDSOC's biggest projects is the Mentor System. Every first-year study group is paired with experienced student mentors who provide guidance, answer questions, and help new students settle into life at the Faculty throughout their first year.

MEDSOC runs some of the faculty's most popular seminars, covering topics like working abroad and preparing for international licensing exams. It also hosts a calendar full of social events, including Freshers Week, cultural events, the Spring Ball, and many more throughout the year.

MEDSOC is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization, so there's no membership required, and all students are welcome to attend events and get involved. Board elections take place at the end of the summer semester, with applications for non-board positions opening shortly after.

And MEDSOC isn't the only option, since the faculty is home to many other student clubs and initiatives that offer great ways to spend your free time and sharpen your medical skills along the way. Find out more on our website and Instagram: [@medsocz.s](https://www.instagram.com/medsocz.s).

→ LF1 Surgical Society

The LF1 Surgical Society, established by students and alumni from the First Faculty of Medicine in 2022, is a platform for future surgeons among us.

Through our basic and advanced suturing workshops, simulations, journal club meetings, specialty interest groups, Women in Surgery group, USMLE Hub, conferences, research opportunities, lectures, and seminars, we help students develop practical skills, enrich their surgical portfolios, and support their professional growth.

Registration for and participation in our events is open to students from all medical faculties. You can find the latest updates on our website and on our Instagram: [@lf1surgicalsociety](https://www.instagram.com/lf1surgicalsociety)

You can also become a member of the LF1 Surgical Society. For CZK 200 per year, you will gain access to exclusive member events, an extensive alumni network, priority booking for workshop slots, certificates of participation, visibility within the medical and surgical community, and much more.

Our team recruitment usually takes place in August, and students from both the Czech and international programmes are welcome to apply!



CALENDAR OF FACULTY'S EVENTS FOR STUDENTS

Throughout the academic year, the Faculty and student societies organise a variety of social, educational, charity, and sport events. Here are some of the highlights you can look forward to:

→ Second-Hand Book Sale (September)

A great opportunity to buy or sell textbooks and other study materials before classes begin.

→ Freshers' Week (September)

A week of social events designed to help new students meet their classmates and settle into university life. The week traditionally ends with the interfaculty Welcome Bash at Lávká.

→ Welcome Party (October and February)

One of the biggest student parties



of the semester and a great chance to meet students from different years and study programmes. Enjoy a fun night out on the dance floor at one of Prague's popular clubs.

→ A Drop of Blood (November and March)

A charity blood donation event organised in cooperation with the Department of Transfusion Medicine at the General University Hospital.

→ 6 + 1 Medic Party (December)

A unique tradition bringing together first-year and sixth-year students. The Dean also attends, and all students are welcome.



→ The Medical Ball (January)

A long-standing Faculty tradition held at the beautiful Municipal House.

→ Spring Ball (April)

A formal evening where students and teachers celebrate another successful academic year together.



→ The Picnic (May)

A relaxed afternoon in the gardens of the Departments of Psychiatry and Neurology of the First Faculty of Medicine and the General University Hospital, with music, lemonade, tasty food, and great company before the examination period begins.



→ Rector's Sports Day (May)

A Charles University tradition where students from all faculties come together for sports and outdoor activities.



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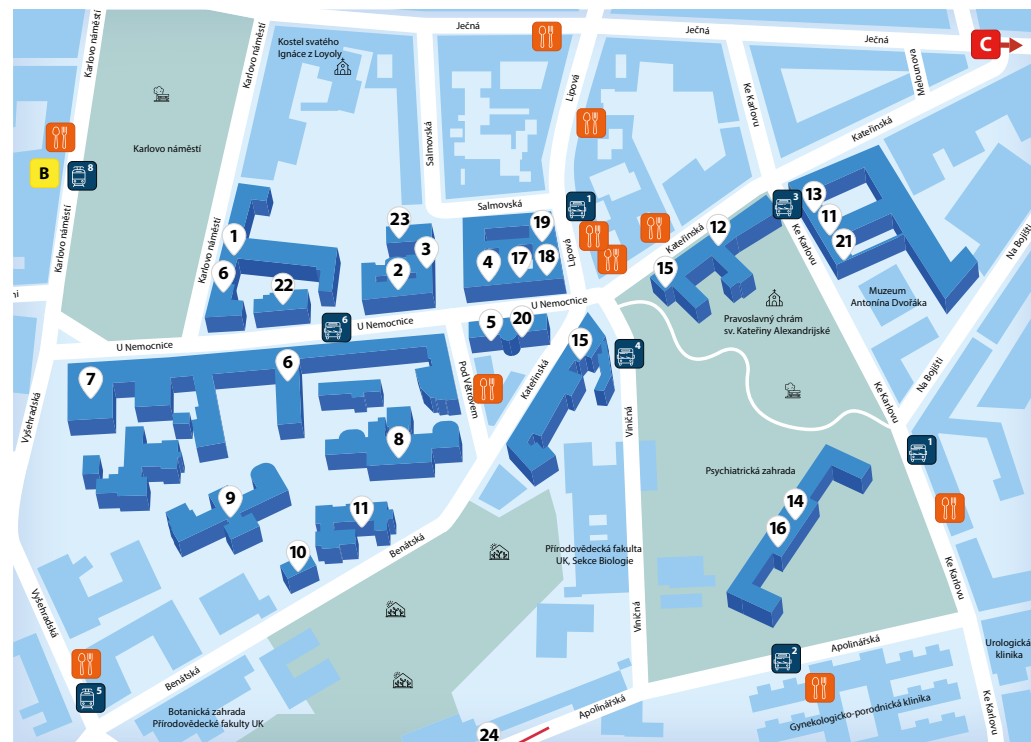


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Map of Karlov



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| 1 III. Internal Clinic | 11 Institute of Medical Biochemistry and Laboratory Diagnostics | B Karlovo náměstí Metro Station |
| 2 Institute of Anatomy | 12 Extrapyramidal Disease Center | C Direction to I. P. Pavlova Metro Station |
| 3 Institute of Sports Medicine | 13 First Faculty of Medicine – Dean's Office | Restaurant, Café, Canteen |
| 4 Institute of Biochemistry and Experimental Oncology | 14 Sexuological Society | Bus Station Na Bojišti (148) |
| 5 Institute of Scientific Information (Library) | 15 Clinic of Neurology | Bus Station Apolinářská (148) |
| 6 General University Hospital in Prague | 16 Psychiatric Clinic | Bus Station Kateřinská (148) |
| 7 Faust's House (MEDSOC, IFMSA) | 17 Institute of Pathological Physiology | Bus Station Větrov (148) |
| 8 I. Surgical Clinic | 18 Institute of Biophysics and Informatics | Tram Station Botanická zahrada (14, 18, 24, 93, 95) |
| 9 III. Internal Clinic | 19 Nuclear Medicine Institute | Bus Station U Nemocnice (148) |
| 10 Department of Otorhinolaryngology | 20 Institute for History of Medicine and Foreign Languages | Bus Station Větrov (148) |
| | 21 Dental Clinic | Tram Station Na Moráni (2, 3, 4, 10, 14, 16, 18, 21, 24, 92, 93, 94, 95) |
| | 22 Institute of Hematology and Blood Transfusion | Botanical Garden of the Faculty of Science |
| | 23 Institute of Physical Education | Church |
| | 24 Department of Addictology | Park |

Map of Albertov



- 1 Institute of Biology and Medical Genetics, Institute of Pharmacology, Institute of Histology and Embryology
- 2 Institute of Physiology
- 3 Teaching Rooms of Institute of Nursing Theory and Practice
- 4 Hlava's Institute (Institute of Pathology)
- 5 Institute of Clinical Immunology and Allergy
- 6 Institute of Medical Microbiology
- 7 Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology
- 8 Institute of Clinical and Forensic Toxicology
- 9 Institute of Rheumatology
- 10 Institute of Nursing Theory and Practice
- 11 Department of Rehabilitation Medicine

- B** Direction to Karlovo náměstí Metro Station
- C1** Direction to L.P. Pavlova Metro Station
- C2** Direction to Vyšehrad Metro Station
- Restaurant, Café, Canteen
- Albertov Meal Collection Point

- Tram Station Albertov (14, 18, 24, 93, 95)
- Tram Station Albertov (1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 12, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 93, 95, XC)
- Tram Station Na Slupi (1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 12, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 93, 95, XC)
- Folimanka playground
- Fitness workout park Folimanka
- Stairs
- Tennis Courts
- Greenhouses of Genetic Garden, Faculty of Science
- Church
- Park



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