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Academic Year 2020-2021

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PIC:	998733341

ACADEMIC CALENDAR: Academic Year 2020-2021 (the academic calendar is similar every academic year)

Fall 2020: Orientation: 11 – 18 Sep 2020, Classes: 21 Sep – 18 Dec 2020, End of semester: 5 Feb 2021
(all exams can be finished during the last week of classes, i.e. December 14 - 18, 2020)

Spring 2021: Orientation: 8 – 12 Feb 2021, Classes: 15 Feb – 14 May 2021, End of semester: 25 June 2021
(all exams can be finished during the last week of classes, i.e. May 10 - 14, 2021)

ORIENTATION/WELCOME WEEK:
First week of the semester, see dates above in the academic calendar – registration, introduction lecture, guided tour through the university campus, Opening Reception, Icebreaking Weekend, trips etc.

EXPECTED ARRIVAL DATE: 1-3 days before the Semester. Attending the Orientation Week programme is mandatory.

EXCHANGE NOMINATION DEADLINE: Nomination is carried out online through the university's **Integrated Study Information System** (InSIS, http://insis.vse.cz/?lang=en). Partner coordinators will be informed per e-mail when nominations for the respective semester are open.

Fall 2020: **May 1, 2020 (April 15, 2020 for non EU students)**

Spring 2021: **November 1, 2020 (October 1, 2020 for non EU students)**

EXCHANGE APPLICATION DEADLINE: Only nominated students can fill in online application, again through InSIS. Nominated students will be sent login information per e-mail.

Fall 2020: **May 30, 2020 (May 15, 2020 for non EU students)**

Spring 2021: **November 30, 2020 (October 15, 2020 for non EU students)**

HOUSING & DEADLINES:
All exchange students can apply for accommodation in the university dormitory within the dormitory on-line system ISKAM; deadline: see dormitory website (https://accommodation.vse.cz/).

APPROXIMATE LIVING COSTS *(the currency in the Czech Rep. is CZK – Czech crown, 1 EUR = 25-30 CZK):*

On-Campus Accommodations:	24000 CZK per semester (approx. 4 months)
Food:	5000 CZK per month
Student Fees:	370 CZK (ID card)
Mandatory Insurance:	Price depends on type of insurance policy.
Local Transportation:	360 CZK (from October 1, 2018) per semester (3 months) for public transport in the whole Prague

HEALTH INSURANCE:
Information to be provided by the Incoming Exchange Students Coordinator, check also with your local Czech embassy/consulate.

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LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

Class Format: Class formats vary by course (presentations, case analyses, lectures, discussions etc.)

Attendance: Attendance is expected; in some courses attendance is required as a part of student's final grade.

Participation: Class participation is a part of a student's final grade in many courses.

Grading:

Grade	Points	
1	90 - 100	excellent
2	75 – 89	very good
3	60 – 74	good
4+	50-59	fail with the possibility of a repeat attempt
4	less than 50	fail

Course Load: Recommended: 30 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System), minimum 15 ECTS

Course Catalogue: For information on courses offered to exchange students please refer to our website: https://exchange.vse.cz/students/accepted-students/course-registration/#List%20of%20courses

Examinations: Exam formats vary by course, usually written test during the last week of the semester.

Registration for courses: **Online** registration through the InSIS (university's *Integrated Study Information System*), **usually** takes place from **mid-June to late-August** for the *Fall* semester and in **January** for the *Spring* semester; precise schedule and login information is provided to students directly in due time.

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION:

English (a small number of courses taught in other languages – German, French, Italian, Russian, Spanish – may be offered)

STUDENT SERVICES AVAILABLE:

a) Academic Advising

Provided to all exchange students through International Office

b) Computer Services

There are computers pre-set in English for all exchange students; wireless internet connection for laptops available throughout the university campus; Internet connection available in all dormitory rooms.

c) On-campus facilities

Library specialized in economic literature; computer labs; canteen; cafeteria; restaurant; sport centre etc.

d) Buddy System

Student organization supporting exchange program organizes sports and cultural events (inc. student parties) for all international students. Each international student may choose to be assigned a Czech Buddy – a Czech student who will help the international student in practical matters, pick him/her upon arrival, etc.
More information on http://buddy.vse.cz

ABOUT THE *UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS, PRAGUE* (*Vysoká škola ekonomická v Praze, VŠE*)

The University of Economics, Prague (VŠE) is the biggest public university of economics in the Czech Republic. VŠE has six faculties offering applicants a broad spectrum of study fields and branches in Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degree study programs. Five faculties are located in the center of Prague – **the Faculty of Finance and Accounting, the Faculty of International Relations, the Faculty of Business Administration, the Faculty of Informatics and Statistics and the Faculty of Economics. The Faculty of Management is located in the town of Jindřichův Hradec.** Studies at VŠE meet the requirements of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).
The university is highly appraised both in the Czech Republic and abroad. From 2014 to 2018, VŠE has been certified with the **"ECTS label"** and **"DS Label"** by the European Commission thanks to correct implementation of the credit system. Both certificates confirm the credibility of VŠE in terms of partnerships with universities abroad. VŠE is ranked by the **Financial Times** annually and has already been appraised for several years by the **Eduniversal Ranking** project as one of the best "business schools" in Central and Eastern Europe. Two Master's degree programs have been certified with **EPAS** accreditation by the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD).
Currently, VŠE does have **about 15.000 students** and more than 500 academic staff. Two thirds of VŠE teachers hold doctoral degrees in their field. **Graduates of the VŠE** occupy important positions in the private, as well as in the public sector. Most of them go to different branches of industry and services, business, marketing, banking, public management, accounting, auditing, tourist trade, and to the field of information technologies.
The VŠE's **honourable title** of *doctor oeconomiae honoris causa* has been awarded to many important Czech and international economists, e.g. the Nobel Prize laureates Prof. Gary S. Becker, Prof. Dr. Douglass North, Prof. Milton Friedman or Prof. Robert A. Mundell.
Each semester approx. **400 international students** from all over the world study at VŠE in non-degree and degree programmes. As for the **degree programmes**, VŠE offers to international students several **master** (double/joint) degree programmes taught completely **in English** and many **doctoral** programmes **in English**. As for the **Exchange Programme**, VŠE does have more than **240** partners worldwide.
All *Exchange Students* do study in the one of the three university campuses which is situated near to the centre of Prague. The courses offered within the Exchange Programme Study Plan are taught by professors from different faculties and departments of the school. Moreover, special **intensive courses** taught by **international visiting professors** enrich the academic offer.
For more information and news about our school please refer to: http://www.vse.cz/english.