MUNI FACULTY OF SOCIAL STUDIES

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Students



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WELCOME TO THE NEW SEMESTER

After 17 wonderful years at the International Office, I am leaving for pension with heartfelt thanks to all colleagues and students who made this journey so rewarding. A special thanks goes to Klára, Michaela, and Ludmila for their support and collaboration throughout the years.

As I step away, I am happy to welcome Roman as the new head of the International Office and wish him every success in leading our international community forward.

Dagmar Hábová



ORIENTATION WEEK 7-13 SEPTEMBER



Compulsory Activities- Faculty of Economics, Lipová 41a

- welcome reception 11:30, entrance atrium, Monday 8 September
- Admission 12:00 P102, Monday 8 September
- · Online Orientation
- Integration Presentation
- Introduction to Faculties
- Learning Agreement seminar (for Erasmus+ students)

Free For Everyone

- · Second-hand Shop
- · Student Activities Fair
- Sustainable Living Workshop and other worshops prepared by ESN

Paid Activities for non-buyers of Orientation week

• International dinner – free if you bring your national dish

Survival Czech

- Special offer outside the OW Package, only for those who buy the course
- · See more information here

FACULTY INTRODUCTION

Wednesday, 10 September- Exchange students, full-degree students

First year students are welcome to participate in our faculty introduction to get to know a little more about FSS, and how to get around the building.

There will be two sessions:

- Exchange/Erasmus students on Wednesday 10 September 2025 at 13:00 in P51 in the FSS building, Joštova 10
- Degree students at 13:00 in P52 in the FSS building.

The **faculty tour** will start after the faculty introduction and you will have a possibility to meet our student ambassadors and ask them any questions.

Activities for the OW Package Buyers:

- Second-hand Shop
- · Brno City Tour
- Pub Crawl
- · Free entry vouchers + discounts
- · MU gifts
- Karaoke
- ESN Welcome Party

All new students should register to receive their individual schedule for the activities.

Social Media

Faculty Social Media:

fss.muni.eng

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MUFSS

MUNI_FSS

University Social Media:

fss.muni.eng

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REMINDER: ENROLL AND REGISTER FOR THE SEMESTER AND COURSES

<u>Course enrollment</u> is from 2 September to 14 September and changes to your courses can take place between 15 - 28 September 2025. <u>Changes cannot take place after this date.</u>

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.

ISIC CARDS

Renewing and purchasing

Returning students are required to extend the validity of the MU ISIC card online via digital revalidation. You can make an application at MU Shopping center, where you will also find the current price for extending your card validity. It is called "Digitální revalidace karty ISIC pro rok 2025/2026" and it costs 250 CZK. The validity of your digital card will automatically change in the Alive App after successful payment and registration in the database. The ISIC licence on your plastic card will not be visibly extended. You can continue to use your plastic card within the university.

New students are <u>asked to upload their picture</u> or schedule their <u>photographing at MUNI</u>, however they would have needed to purchase the ISIC card for 250 CZK, it is called "<u>Průkaz ISIC – první průkaz (prezenční studium)</u> na Fakultě sociálních studií"

Exchange/Erasmus students received a link from Dagmar Hábová and please take into consideration that the price for Exchange students is 450 CZK.



PRIOR DEGREE RECOGNITION

Required for all NEW Full Degree Students

According to Czech law, all full degree students must have their prior degrees recognized in order to study in a degree program in the Czech Republic. FSS students can submit this recognition to Ludmila Polášková when they arrive, however they should be sure to have all the necessary paperwork with them from their home country.

To view the required documents, please visit our website here.

FACULTY EVENTS



10 September - faculty tour for new students

The faculty tour will be held on 10 September 2025 divided into 2 groups:

- Erasmus and Exchange students, meeting point in front of the faculty after the faculty introduction (around 14:00)
- Full degree students meeting point at P52 after the faculty presentation

10 September - Graduation Ceremony

Bachelor's and Master's Graduation Ceremony will take place on 10 September 2025 at 9:00 (Bachelor's) and at 10:30 (Master's).





20 September, 2 pm - autumn MUNI Cleans Up

Join us for autumn MUNI Cleans Up!

 Where: Botanic Garden Kejbaly → then we'll head to clean around the Bohunice Campus.

After the cleanup, you can explore the Botanical Garden, roast something tasty with us, and enjoy a relaxed evening together.

• Bring: gloves (if you have), comfy clothes/shoes, and something for the grill.

Organized by <u>MUNI POMÁHÁ</u>, Ukliďme Česko & Faculty of Education.

FSS BBQ

24 September 3 pm- save the date

We are excited to once again host an international student BBQ at Špilberk Park. Join your fellow students and professors in this social outing. Confirmation of the date and time will be done during next week, registration form will be sent as well.





MATRICULATION

25 September

All first year bachelor's students are invited to participate in the matriculation ceremony. This symbolic ceremony welcomes you into the faculty, and brings you together with the incoming bachelor's class that will be graduating in 2028. The registration has been already closed.

FALL 2025

FSS International Student Social Activities

- BBQ: save the date Wednesday 24
 September 3pm, will be confirmed
- Hike- Sunday 5 October, will be confirmed in October
- Czech Christmas Celebration: will be determined in November





NEW LIBRARY HOURS

The FSS library will be from 1-14 September closed due to the reconstruction.

However, there will be longer opening hours and one new study room.

For more information, visit the <u>library website</u>



LANGUAGE AND SPORTS CLASSES

Open to FSS Full degree and exchange students

Students can enroll in the Physical Education courses offered by University Sports Centre and take classes such as Zumba, Table Tennis, Football, etc. To see the full list of courses, visit the FSpS website. The bachelor students have to gain 2 ECTS during their whole studies.

Full degree students are also able to enroll in free French and Spanish introductory language courses taught in English and a **Czech language course for free**. Other <u>language courses</u> are offered at the Language Centre in Italian, Chinese, Swahili, German, and Czech, however there is a fee for these courses.





BRNO EVENTS

4 September - Mint Market

On Thursday, September 4, MINT Market joins the festive season opening at the National Theatre Brno. The Janáček Theatre terrace will host the opening concert along with fresh fashion, original jewelry, design, and tasty treats from local makers.





18 September - Ahoy Brno newcomers meeting

Join the informal welcome evening for newcomers in Brno!

- 📍 Brno Expat Centre, Orlí 3
- Short presentation + networking (1h)
- Guided city tour (1h)
- Optional pub gathering

Free entry, but <u>registration required</u> – spots are limited!

15 September- Day of national minorities in Lužánky park

Babylonfest celebrates the culture and traditions of Brno's national and ethnic minorities. It connects locals with neighbors from around the world, offering a chance to share customs, meet, and enrich one another. Join the international pub quizz, see more information here





16 September - Ponávka fest

One of the last summer festivals of 2025 — this year to enjoy a cold beer and some delicious street food outdoors! From 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM, the festival brings you great music, tasty food, refreshing drinks, and a vibrant atmosphere. Check the whole program_here.

23- 28 September -Serial killer

Wrap up the summer with the very best of Czech and European TV!

For six days, dive into international premieres, a competition of TV and web series, and plenty of other binge-worthy shows. Students get the Serial Killer Pass for 330 Kč (14 EUR). Check more info here.



27- 28 September - OpenStudios Days

Discover South Moravia's creativity during the Open Studios Days on 27-28 September. Visit artists' studios, museums, and galleries for free. Explore diverse art forms, attend workshops, and enjoy exhibitions. Check the website www.d-o-a.cz for details or the social media.

9 October - University Ice Hockey



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- Confirmation of Studies
- Enrollment / Registration for courses
- Study Regulations
- Matriculation Ceremony

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