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Balkan, Eurasian and Central European Studies (BECES) is a two-year English-language Master's degree programme fully accredited by the Ministry of Education of the Czech Republic. It addresses the English speaking audience with a deep and versatile exploration of "the East", understood as a territory composed of Central Europe, the Balkan peninsula, and the Post- Soviet area, including the Caucasus and Central Asia. Primary attention is paid to modern history, politics and diplomacy, as well as to fundamental social, cultural and economic problems. It also offers students the chance to learn or improve their knowledge of some of the Czech language.

The core courses provide an overview of crucial segments of the area from an analytical and multidisciplinary perspective, while the elective classes allow students to create their own specialisation. The aim of the programme is to help students write a Master's thesis of sufficient quality to merit publication. Through the university's network of exchange programmes, talented students may also be offered the opportunity to make a brief research visit to another country in the area. By developing the student's knowledge of the Czech milieu and language, the programme may also serve as an access-point to some of our Ph.D. programmes. The programme is deliberately structured to take advantage of the multidisciplinary nature of the Faculty, and students will be encouraged to make connections between different fields of study, learning to combine a global perspective with attention to detail and local interests. It is an excellent stepping stone in developing an academic career in any of the Faculty's academic disciplines, as well as a valuable source of analytical skills and practical background knowledge that can be applied in professional life.

Academic supervisor: Doc. PhDr. Jiří Vykoukal, CSc.

### **Balkan, Eurasian and Central European Studies: course structure**

<b>Compulsory courses</b>	72 ECTS
<b>Czech language</b>	24 ECTS
<b>Choice (optional &amp; electives)</b>	minimum 12, maximum 24 ECTS
<b>Defence of M. A. Thesis</b>	

(Electives see article 4 para 10 of Consolidated University Code of Study and Examination of Charles University in Prague)

Compulsory courses

**(J#0134)**

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JMMZ040	<u>Conceptions and Interpretations of Balkan History</u>	Šístek	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ050	<u>Political Systems of East European Countries in the 20th Century</u>	Kubát	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ051	<u>Political Systems of East European Countries Today</u>	Kubát	SS	1/1	Examination	6

JMMZ081	<u>Conceptions and Interpretations of Russian History</u>	<u>Kolenovská Svoboda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ082	<u>Concepts and Interpretations of Central European History</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ083	<u>Eastern Europe Today I</u>	<u>Šír</u>	WS	0/2	Examination	5
JMMZ084	<u>Eastern Europe Today II</u>	<u>Šír</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	5
JMMZ094	<u>Introduction to History, Politics and Society of Eastern Europe</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS	2/0	Examination	5
JMMZ095	<u>M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES I</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMMZ096	<u>M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES II</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMMZ107	<u>Methodology and Academic Writing Seminar</u>	<u>Kozák</u>	WS	1/1	macc	3
JMM188	<u>Economic transformation in the post-Soviet area</u>	<u>Svoboda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM189	<u>Economic transformation in East Central and Southeastern Europe</u>	<u>Cibulková</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM422	<u>Ethnic Issues and Territories in Eastern, East Central and Southeastern Europe</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6

Total number of ECTS: 72

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JMMZ084	Eastern Europe Today II	JMMZ083			
JMMZ095	M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES I	JMM094 JMMZ107			
JMMZ096	M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES II	JMMZ095			

Compulsory Language Courses (**J#0136**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JMMZ165	Czech Language for BECES I	Pellarová	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ166	Czech Language for BECES II	Pellarová	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ167	Czech Language for BECES III	Pellarová	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ168	Czech Language for BECES IV	Pellarová	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6

Total number of ECTS: 24

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JMMZ166	Czech Language for BECES II	JMMZ165			
JMMZ167	Czech Language for BECES III	JMMZ166			
JMMZ168	Czech Language for BECES IV	JMMZ167			

Optional courses (**J#0135**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JEM012	European Economic Policies	Šmídková Hedbávný Glazar	SS	2/2	Examination	6
JMMZ039	Contemporary Turkey	Aslan	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ052	Issues in Post-Soviet Security	Aslan	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ053	Problems of the Post-Soviet Space	Šír	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ058	Geostrategic Importance of Central Europe	Pick	SS	2/0	macc	3
JMMZ085	Academic Reading and Writing in Czech	Pellarová	WS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMMZ099	Parties and Party Systems in Southeastern Europe after 1989	Marantzidis	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ141	Russian Language I	Lanne	WS/SS	3/0	Course credit	3

JMMZ142	<u>Russian Language II</u>	<u>Lanne</u>	WS/SS	3/0	macc	4
JMMZ143	<u>Russian Language III</u>	<u>Lanne</u>	WS/SS	3/0	macc	4
JMMZ144	<u>Russian Language IV</u>	<u>Lanne</u>	WS/SS	3/0	Examination	5
JMMZ169	<u>Greek Language II</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Course credit	3
JMMZ170	<u>Greek Language II</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS/SS	1/1	macc	4
JMMZ171	<u>Greek Language I</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS/SS	1/1	macc	4
JMMZ172	<u>Greek Language IV</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	5
JMM096	<u>Ethno-Nationalist History-Making in the Post-Communist World</u>	<u>Aslan</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM121	<u>Central European Cinema</u>	<u>Dan Mircea</u>	SS	0/4	Course credit	3
JMM130	<u>Ethno-Political Conflicts in the Caucasus</u>	<u>Aslan</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM143	<u>Economy and Politics in the 20th Century Eastern Europe</u>	<u>Svoboda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM187	<u>Formirovanije postsovetskovo prostranstva</u>	<u>Horák</u>	WS	1/1	macc	4
JMM283	<u>Splendor and Misery of Détente</u>	<u>Fojtek</u>	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM358	<u>The Transformation of the Communist Successor Parties in Central Europe and Influence of the West European Leftists</u>	<u>Handl</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM361	<u>Nation and State Building in Eurasia</u>	<u>Horák</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM385	<u>Legal Framework of European Integration</u>	<u>Šlosarčík</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	6

JMM423	<u>Fundamentals of the History of Central European Jewry</u>	Kubálová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM424	<u>Central European Jewry on the Path to Destruction</u>	Kubálová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM425	<u>Destruction Revised: Revisionism, Trivialization and Denial</u>	Kubálová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM460	<u>Oil and Gas in the Post Soviet Area</u>	Svoboda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM191	<u>Russian Foreign Policy</u>	Žídková	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM208	<u>Russian Government</u>	Žídková	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JPM239	<u>Central European Politics</u>	Krausz Hladká	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JSM437	<u>CIVIL SOCIETY IN CENTRAL EUROPE</u>	Frič	SS	2/0	Examination	6

Minimum 12 ECTS, maximum 24 ECTS, students are obliged to take and pass at least two elective courses in Czech from the course options list at the UK FSV, subject to the approval of the Academic supervisor and timetabling capacities.

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JMMZ058	Geostrategic Importance of Central Europe				JMB198
JMMZ085	Academic Reading and Writing in Czech	JMMZ084			
JMMZ142	Russian Language II	JMMZ141			
JMMZ143	Russian Language III	JMMZ142			
JMMZ144	Russian Language IV	JMMZ143			
JMMZ170	Greek Language II	JMMZ169			
JMMZ171	Greek Language I	JMMZ170			
JMMZ172	Greek Language IV	JMMZ171			
JMM385	Legal Framework of European Integration				JMM251

