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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.

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Balkan, Eurasian and Central European Studies: course structure

Compulsory courses	72 ECTS
Czech language	24 ECTS
Optional (from the list) - minimum	12 ECTS
Electives (out of the list) - maximum	12 ECTS
Defence of M. A. Thesis	
Total	120 ECTS

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

Compulsory courses

(J#013414)

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

	Countries Today					
JMMZ081	Concepts and Interpretations of Russian History	Kolenovská	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ082	Concepts and Interpretations of Central European History	Vykoukal	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ083	Eastern Europe Today I	Šír Horák	WS/SS	0/2	Examination	6
JMMZ084	Eastern Europe Today II	Šír Horák	WS/SS	0/2	Examination	6
JMMZ094	Introduction to History, Politics and Society of Eastern Europe	Vykoukal	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JMMZ095	M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES I	Vykoukal	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMMZ096	M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES II	Vykoukal	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMM188	Economic transformation in the post-Soviet area	Svoboda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM189	Economic transformation in East Central and Southeastern Europe	Trejbal	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM422	Ethnic Issues and Territories in Eastern, East Central and Southeastern Europe	Vykoukal	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
JMMZ050	Political Systems of East European Countries in the 20th Century			JMM094	JMM094
JMMZ051	Political Systems of East European Countries Today			JMM095	JMM095
JMMZ083	Eastern Europe Today I	JMMZ094			
JMMZ084	Eastern Europe Today II	JMMZ083			

JMMZ095	M.A. Seminar BECES I	Thesis for	JMMZ051			
JMMZ096	M.A. Seminar BECES II	Thesis for	JMMZ095			

Compulsory Language Courses (**J#013614**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JMMZ219	Czech Language I (beginners)	Pellarová	WS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ220	Czech Language I (beginners)	Pellarová	SS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ221	Czech Language III (intermediate)	Mazúrková	WS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ222	Czech Language IV (intermediate)	Mazúrková	SS	0/3	Examination	6

Total number of ECTS: 24

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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JMMZ219	Czech Language I (beginners)				JMMZ165
JMMZ220	Czech Language I (beginners)				JMMZ166
JMMZ221	Czech Language III (intermediate)				JMMZ167
JMMZ222	Czech Language IV (intermediate)				JMMZ168

Optional courses (**J#013514**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JEM044	International Finance	Brushko	SS	2/2	Examination	6
JMMZ042	Cohesion Policy of the EU in Central and East European Countries.	Kasáková	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ043	Social Exclusion and the Roma in Central Europe	Klípa	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ044	Ethnic Conflicts in Central and Eastern Europe.	Klípa	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ045	Dictatorships in the Balkans	Králová	WS	1/1	Examination	6

JMMZ053	Problems of the Post-Soviet Space	Šír	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ099	Parties and Party Systems in Southeastern Europe after 1989	Marantzidis Králová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ141	Russian Language I	Shvedova	WS/SS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ142	Russian Language II	Shvedova	WS/SS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ143	Russian Language III	Shvedova	WS/SS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ144	Russian Language IV	Shvedova	WS/SS	0/3	Examination	6
JMMZ169	Greek Language I	Maniati	WS/SS	1/1	Course credit	3
JMMZ170	Greek Language II	Maniati	WS/SS	1/1	macc	4
JMMZ171	Greek Language III	Maniati	WS/SS	1/1	macc	4
JMMZ172	Greek Language IV	Maniati	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	5
JMMZ180	Modernizing the Balkans	Šístek	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ189	The Make and Break of Late Ottoman and Russian Empires	Brisku	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ190	Internship for BECES Students	Vykoukal	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JMMZ204	Imperial Nations and Subject Peoples: Czech nation in the Austrian Empire and After (17th – 21st centuries)	Robbins Janíčková Vykoukal	WS/SS	2/2	Examination	6
JMMZ206	Health Economics	Háva Vykoukal	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ207	Health Policy	Háva Vykoukal	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ208	International Comparison of Health Care Systems	Háva Vykoukal	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JMMZ210	Renegotiating Empire - Forging a New State: Albania.	Brisku	WS	1/1	Examination	6

	<u>Bohemian lands and Georgia. 1870-1930.</u>					
JMMZ212	<u>The Return of the "Kidnapped" West: Central Europe Since the Fall of the Berlin Wall</u>	<u>Králová Fiřtová Vykoukal</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ214	<u>Society and Culture in Central Eurasia</u>	<u>Horák Aslan</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ215	<u>Islamism in Central Asia</u>	<u>Exnerová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ218	<u>Beyond Borders: Transnational Literature by Central European Writers</u>	<u>Förster</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ225	<u>(Post) Conflict Society in the Western Balkans after the break-up of the Eastern Bloc</u>	<u>Žila</u>	SS	0/0	Examination	6
JMMZ229	<u>Theorizing Memory: Social and Cultural Remembering</u>	<u>Asavei</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ231	<u>EU Foreign Policy and the Role of the European External Action Service (EEAS)</u>	<u>Kordová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM018	<u>Contemporary Balkans</u>	<u>Králová Kocián Roginer Hofmeister</u>	SS	1/1	macc	6
JMM025	<u>Putin's Russia</u>	<u>Vorlová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM027	<u>Contemporary Mediterranean</u>	<u>Králová Mejstřík</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM035	<u>Citizen or/and Peasant?</u>	<u>Pellar</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM121	<u>Central European Cinema</u>	<u>Dan Mircea</u>	SS	0/4	macc	6
JMM130	<u>Ethno-Political Conflicts in the Caucasus</u>	<u>Aslan</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM143	<u>Economy and Politics in the</u>	<u>Svoboda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6

	<u>20th Century Eastern Europe</u>					
JMM189	<u>Economic transformation in East Central and Southeastern Europe</u>	<u>Trejbal</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
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 Mejstřík</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM385	<u>Legal Framework of the European Union</u>	<u>Šlosarčík</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM460	<u>Oil and Gas in the Post Soviet Area</u>	<u>Svoboda</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM566	<u>History and Present in South East European Cinema</u>	<u>Králová Dan Mircea</u>	SS	0/4	Course credit	3
JMM659	<u>Germany and "the East" (19th and 20th Century). Between Colonialism and Partnership</u>	<u>Lorenz</u>	SS	0/2	macc	4
JMM702	<u>Nationalism and Historiography in Central Eurasia</u>	<u>Aslan Horák</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM703	<u>Post-Soviet Central Eurasia</u>	<u>Horák Aslan</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM239	<u>Central European Politics</u>	<u>Krausz Hladká</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM550	<u>History, Politics and Culture of Central European Jewry</u>	<u>Kubátová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6

JSM437	Civil Society in Transition	Frič	SS	2/0	Examination	8
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Minimum 12 ECTS, maximum (needed) 24 ECTS.

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JMMZ142	Russian Language II	JMMZ141			
JMMZ143	Russian Language III	JMMZ142			
JMMZ144	Russian Language IV	JMMZ143			
JMMZ170	Greek Language II	JMMZ169			
JMMZ171	Greek Language III	JMMZ170			
JMMZ172	Greek Language IV	JMMZ171			
JMMZ214	Society and Culture in Central Eurasia				JMMZ178
JMM385	Legal Framework of the European Union				JMM251
JMM702	Nationalism and Historiography in Central Eurasia				JMM096
JMM703	Post-Soviet Central Eurasia				JMM361

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