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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. For detailed information see [BECES website](#).

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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	Kubát	SS	1/1	Examination	6

	<u>East European Countries Today</u>					
JMMZ081	<u>Concepts and Interpretations of Russian History</u>	<u>Kolenovská</u>	SS	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 Horák</u>	WS/SS	0/2	Examination	6
JMMZ084	<u>Eastern Europe Today II</u>	<u>Šír Horák</u>	WS/SS	0/2	Examination	6
JMMZ094	<u>Introduction to History, Politics and Society of Eastern Europe</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS	2/0	Examination	6
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
JMM188	<u>Economic Transformations in the Post-Soviet Area</u>	<u>Svoboda</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM189	<u>Economic transformation in East Central and Southeastern Europe</u>	<u>Trejbal</u>	WS	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
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. Thesis Seminar for BECES I	JMMZ051			
JMMZ096	M.A. Thesis Seminar for BECES II	JMMZ095			
JMM422	Ethnic Issues and Territories in Eastern, East Central and Southeastern Europe			JMMZ110	

Compulsory Language Courses (**J#013615**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JLB100	Czech as a Foreign Language I	Frantesová Pellarová Mazůrková	WS/SS	0/6	Examination	6
JLB101	Czech as a Foreign Language II	Frantesová Pellarová Mazůrková	WS/SS	0/6	Examination	6
JLB102	Czech as a Foreign Language III	Frantesová Pellarová Mazůrková	WS/SS	0/6	Examination	6
JLB103	Czech as a Foreign Language IV	Frantesová Pellarová Mazůrková	WS/SS	0/6	Examination	6

Total number of ECTS: 24

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Optional courses (**J#013515**)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JEM044	International Finance	Kočenda Brushko	WS	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	SS	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
JMMZ213	<u>Issues in Central Eurasian Security</u>	<u>Aslan</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
JMMZ224	<u>Cultural Memory and Identity in the Balkans</u>	<u>Asavei</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ225	<u>(Post) Conflict Society in the Western Balkans after the break-up of the Eastern Bloc</u>	<u>Žiřa</u>	WS	1/1	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
JMMZ235	<u>Balkan nationalism and ethnic conflicts</u>	<u>Žiřa</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ237	<u>Democracy in Central Asia and Afghanistan</u>	<u>Exnerová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ251	<u>Russia's Aggression</u>	<u>Šiř</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6

	against Ukraine: Implications for European Security					
JMMZ252	Doing Business in Central Europe	Kolmhofer	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ253	Introduction to Intellectual History: Approaches and Methods	Brisku	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ254	Israel: Politics and Society	Králová Kubátová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ255	Survey of Central Asian States since Independence	Carlson	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ326	Cultural Studies: An Introduction	Asavei	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMMZ328	Politics of Memory in the Post-Soviet Space	Leupold	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM018	Contemporary Balkans	Králová Kocián	SS	1/1	macc	6
JMM025	Putin's Russia	Veselý	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM027	Contemporary Mediterranean	Mejstřík	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM035	Citizen or/and Peasant?	Pellar	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM121	Central European Cinema	Dan Mircea	WS	0/4	Examination	6
JMM130	Ethno-Political Conflicts in the Caucasus	Aslan	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM143	Economy and Politics in the 20th Century Eastern Europe	Svoboda	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM283	Splendor and Misery of Détente	Fojtek	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM302	Russia after 1991	Svoboda	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM358	The Transformation of the Communist Successor Parties in Central Europe and Influence	Handl Mejstřík	SS	2/0	Examination	6

	of the West European Leftists					
JMM384	Cold War in Documents 1945-1962	Smetana	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM385	Legal Framework of the European Union	Šlosarčík	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JMM460	Oil and Gas in the Post Soviet Area	Svoboda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM566	History and Present in South East European Cinema	Dan Mircea	SS	0/4	Examination	6
JMM590	EU in its Southeastern Neighbourhood: Policies and Expectations	Najšlová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM596	Cold War in Documents 1963-1991	Smetana	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM659	Germany and "the East" (19th and 20th Century). Between Colonialism and Partnership	Lorenz	SS	0/2	macc	4
JMM702	National Mythologies and History- making in the Post-Soviet Area	Aslan Horák	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM703	Post-Soviet Central Eurasia	Horák	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM742	Transnational history: objects, concepts and methods	Matějka	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JMM744	#Humansonther a workshop on current aspects of migration in Europe	Najšlová Tallis	WS	0/2	Examination	6
JPM239	Central European Politics	Krausz Hladká	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM550	History, Politics and Culture of Central	Kubátová	SS	1/1	Examination	7

	European Jewry					
JSM437	Civil Society in Europe	Frič	SS	2/0	Examination	8

Minimum 12 ECTS, maximum (needed) 24 ECTS.

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JEM044	International Finance			JEM186	JEM186
JMMZ043	Social Exclusion and the Roma in Central Europe			JPM550	
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			
JMMZ213	Issues in Central Eurasian Security				JMMZ052
JMMZ214	Society and Culture in Central Eurasia				JMMZ178
JMM027	Contemporary Mediterranean				JMM152
JMM385	Legal Framework of the European Union				JMM047 JMM251
JMM702	National Mythologies and History-making in the Post-Soviet Area				JMM096
JMM703	Post-Soviet Central Eurasia				JMM361

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