



Measure of the dean on students' arrivals from foreign countries

Due to the epidemiological situation and governmental restrictions linked with Covid-19, you will have to respect some strict rules for your arrival and during your stay at the university.

All rules implemented at the University of South Bohemia (USB hereafter) follow the current restrictions and recommendations of the Czech government (Ministries of Health, Foreign Affairs, Interior) and of the South Bohemian Regional Public Health Authority.

All information and current measures taken by the Czech government regarding Covid-19 epidemic: <https://koronavirus.mzcr.cz/en/>

Arrival

The Czech Ministry of Health is issuing a list of countries, where the risk of Covid-19 contagion is low (green countries). The list is available at: <https://koronavirus.mzcr.cz/en/list-of-countries-according-to-the-level-of-risk/> (current list in attached document)

Please be aware that this list can regularly change, and it is essential to keep informed of your obligations.

If you are arriving from an **EU country** of this list of **green** countries (= you spent the last 14 days in this green country), you can enter the Czech Republic without any specific restriction, no test or quarantine is required. For students who are not citizens of these countries, it is recommended to keep a proof that you are arriving from this green country and that you spent there the 14 last days (residence permit in this country, proof of address in this country, flight/train ticket...)

If you are arriving from a **non-EU country** of this **green** list, no test or quarantine is required for the entry to Czech Republic. Anyway, please follow the instructions of the Czech consulate in your country concerning your visa. Check also the section "Accommodation at USB dormitories" (**test is required** for accommodation at dormitories).

If you are arriving **from a country that is not on the list of safe countries** (=if you spent more than 12 hours in the last 14 days in this country), then you will have



several obligations. Currently this concerns mainly students arriving from Spain, Romania and most of non-EU countries, but the list may evolve in the following days/weeks. This may concern arrivals from other EU countries.

For Spanish students, some information in Spanish can be found here:

https://www.mzv.cz/madrid/es/visados_e_informaciones_consulares/covid_19/restricciones_de_entrada_a_la_republica.html

All following procedures need to be done:

1. Immediately after your arrival to the Czech Republic, you have to report to the South Bohemian Regional Public Health Authority by phone or email (communication in English or Czech):
Tel. +420 387 712 210; +420 387 712 310; +420 387 712 320
Email: khsccb@khsccb.cz
2. Immediately after your arrival, you have to undergo an RT-PCR test for the presence of SARS CoV-2 at your own expenses, and on the Czech territory. The results of this test have to be sent to the South Bohemian Regional Public Health Authority within 72 hours after your arrival to Czech Republic.

For your arrival, we recommend the following solutions:

- Arrival by plane at Prague airport: get tested at Prague airport, get accommodated at Prague (hotels) while waiting for the test results, and then travel to České Budějovice with your negative test result. OR
- Arrival directly to České Budějovice (train, bus, car): **arrange your testing appointment in advance** (USB Faculty of Science or private laboratory – only on week days), get accommodated (either in private or in hotel) while waiting for the results, get accommodated at USB dormitories with your negative test result.

For SARS-CoV-2 testing at USB Faculty of Science, more information can be found on the link <https://www.prf.jcu.cz/uchbch/test-na-sars-cov-2-pro-studenty-a-zamestnance-ju-a-pro-zamestnance-bc-avcr.html>. Please note that in this case, the Public Health Authority will be informed about the negative test by the laboratory.

3. After 14 days from entering the Czech Republic, you have to undergo at your own expense a second RT-PCR test for the presence of SARS CoV-2.

During these 14 days, and even if your first test was negative, your free movement on the territory is limited. You can only travel to go to the university, or buy some essentials, but you cannot take part in public events or get in touch with other people, unless it is really needed. Also, you have to wear a face mask for any stay outside home.



Please remember to keep the proof of payment of all your tests as you may need them in the future.

Accommodation at the dormitories of the USB

Based on the decision of the head of USB dormitories, every person arriving **from a country that is not on the list with low Covid-19 risk contagion within the EU and also all countries outside the EU**, is required to present a negative result of the RT PCR test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2, which is no older than 72 hours and was issued in the territory of the Czech Republic. No person may be accommodated at the dormitories of the USB without this document.

Hence the test obligation for accommodation at USB dormitories concerns also all students arriving from non-EU countries.

It is essential to organize your arrival and plan some accommodation at hotel for the time until you will receive the negative result of your test.

Full decision of the head of Dormitories: <http://www.kam.jcu.cz/cs/aktuality/15-ostatni/272-rozhodnut%C3%AD-%C5%99editele-kam-ju-%C4%8D-8-2020-k-aktu%C3%A1ln%C3%ADmu-stavu-v-souvislosti-s-v%C3%BDskytem-koronaviru-na-%C3%BAzem%C3%AD-%C4%8Dr>

If you are accommodated outside USB dormitories, it is your own responsibility to find out the conditions of accommodation.

Health insurance – Declaration of honour

Each student has the responsibility to arrange his/her own insurance for medical purposes and in case of medical repatriation need, which covers also Covid-19 treatment expenses.

Information here: <http://www.jcu.cz/study-at-usb/practical-info/medical-insurance/health-insurance>

Before leaving home, please check that you have valid insurance.

- Students from EU countries: It is necessary to have a European Health Insurance Card, that entitles you to the provision of necessary and urgent health



care free-of-charge. It is highly recommended to have a supplementary travel health insurance, especially in case you would need a medical repatriation.

- Students with visa obligation: according to visa requirements, you need to purchase a comprehensive health insurance coverage.

Declaration of honour

Before arriving to the Czech Republic, please **fill-in and sign the Declaration of honour attached**, confirming that you are insured, including Covid-19 risks, during your stay at USB. Send the scanned copy of the Declaration of honour to the Department of Student Affairs of the Faculty of Science, and bring the original document with you. It will be requested on the first days after your arrival.

What to do while feeling the common symptoms of COVID

The common symptoms of Covid-19 include fever, cough, fatigue, shortness of breath and loss of smell and taste.

In case of these symptoms contact the emergency phone number for international students of the USB **+ 420 702 027 176** or use the e-mail emergency@jcu.cz and follow the given instructions. It will be necessary to contact also the Department of Study Affairs (studijni@prf.jcu.cz) and the South Bohemian Regional Public Health Authority by phone or email (communication in English or Czech):

Tel. +420 387 712 210; +420 387 712 310; +420 387 712 320, khsbc@khsbc.cz.

The University has got premises, where the person with symptoms can be accommodated. Daily removal of waste and food will be ensured by the Faculty.

More information on emergency service for international students is available at <http://www.jcu.cz/study-at-usb/practical-info/support-in-emergency-and-crisis-situations>

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