

Besides the education of future teachers and pedagogical professionals, the faculty is involved significantly in scientific and artistic activities. These are the major fields of interest of our academics:

- persons with special education needs (health impairment, specific learning disorders, communication disturbances, special talents),
- increasing teaching quality,
- mathematics and ICT in process of education,
- consultancy, social work and social-pathologic phenomena,
- teaching foreign languages in different types of schools,
- anthropology and health education,
- biology and environmental education,
- teaching theory for social science,
- research in all fields of education, consulting and clinical work.

The faculty has modern lecture rooms and laboratories equipped with up-to-date IT and presentation technology. Therefore, it is the venue of international symposiums, seminars, workshops, conferences and video-conferences.

Thanks to the ESF project for the Research and Education Centre at the Faculty of Education of Palacký University Olomouc intensive work has begun to build an extension to the Faculty of Education main building. The centre will bring new possibilities in teaching and, in particular, in research activities not only for local students and academics but also for people coming from abroad.

The faculty develops exchange programmes for international mobility of students within the European Union and elsewhere including USA, South America and Asia. Foreign students do not exclusively come for short-term exchange scholarships; they also choose to complete the whole programme, for example, students from China, Russia or Nigeria study in our doctoral programmes.

Palacký University has successfully worked with Valdosta State University, USA. Student exchange visits have occurred on an annual basis and we currently have thirty American students who undertake part of their studies for one month at the Faculty of Education.

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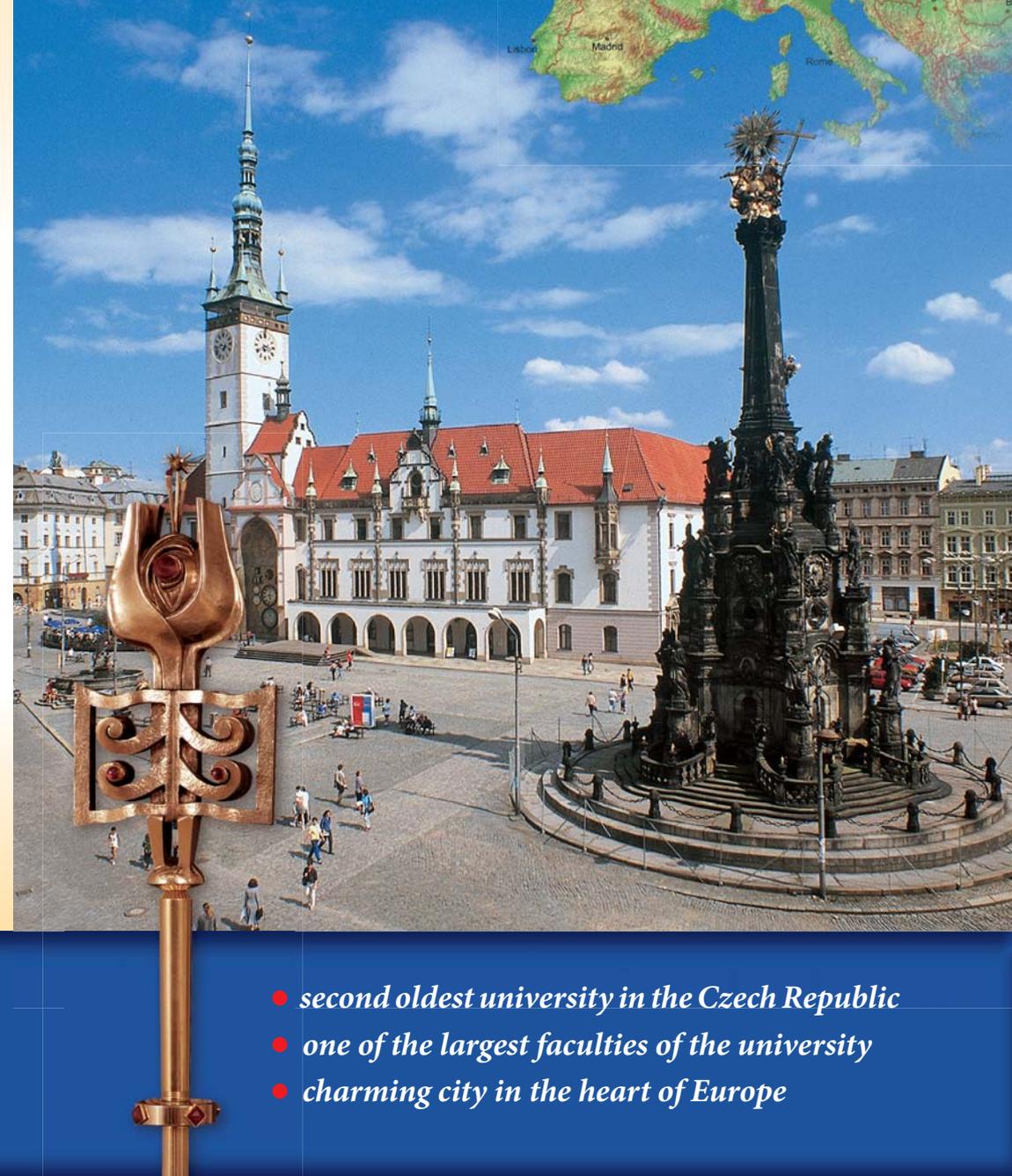
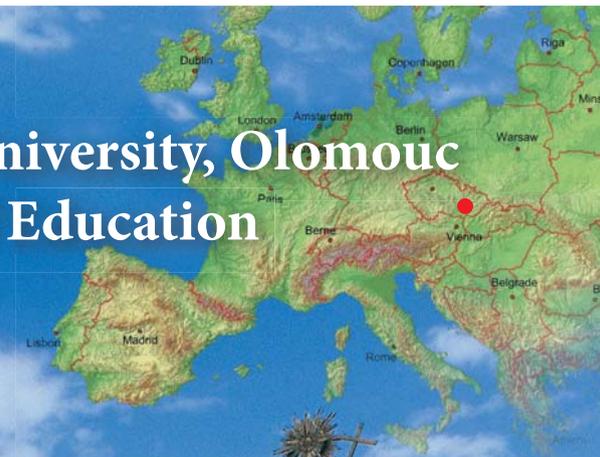
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Faculty of Education: www.pdf.upol.cz
Palacký University, Olomouc: www.upol.cz
The city of Olomouc: www.olomouc.eu; tourism.olomouc.eu
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Palacký University, Olomouc

Faculty of Education



- *second oldest university in the Czech Republic*
- *one of the largest faculties of the university*
- *charming city in the heart of Europe*



Welcome to one of the most beautiful cities in the Czech Republic. It is not an understatement considering that the Lonely Planet professional travelers rank the capital of the Haná region amongst ten hidden treasures of Europe; and not just because of the Holy Trinity Column, which has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site since 2000. Olomouc has a thousand years' tradition that touches you everywhere you go – Roman or Gothic churches, Baroque fountains, Renaissance palaces or Art Nouveau villas. However, sights are not the only reason for Olomouc genius loci; there are parks, culture, countless restaurants and pubs and the heart-catching surroundings with fertile land, hills and hillocks. The town's greatest asset is the young people who make it a colourful, animated and exciting university city.

Palacký University in Olomouc has a long tradition. Founded in the 16th century, it is the oldest university in Moravia and the 2nd oldest in the Czech Republic. At present, it has eight faculties and the number of students has climbed to 23 thousand.

The students of the Faculty of Education form a great part of that figure. They study a wide range of bachelor, master and doctoral programmes in both full-time and part-time mode. The Faculty of Education also offers programmes and courses of lifelong education.

The Faculty of Education is proud to be part of the university. It is a modern educational institution where tradition and new approaches are combined. Come and study with us!



Programmes and fields of study

■ BACHELOR ■ FOLLOW UP MASTER ■ MASTER ■ DOCTORAL



Study programmes in English:

- Special Needs Counselling ■
- Special Education ■
- Education ■
- Music Theory and Education ■

Study programmes in Russian:

- Special Education ■■

Study programmes in Czech:

- Pedagogy ■■■
- Pedagogy – social work ■■
- Pedagogy – public administration ■■
- Education ■
- Free-time activities management ■
- Assistance in education ■
- Social and health work ■
- Preschool education ■
- Special education ■■■
- Special education – drama therapy ■■
- Special adult education ■■
- Special education
 - communication techniques ■
- Special education
 - ortho communication ■
- Special preschool education ■
- Early childhood special education ■
- Speech therapy ■
- Teaching primary school classes 1–5 ■
- Teaching social and medical subjects for secondary vocational schools ■
- English language ■■
- Czech language and literature ■■
- Applied ecology for the public sector ■
- Environmental training ■■
- Music culture ■■■
- Computer science ■■
- Mathematics ■■
- German language ■■
- German oriented on applied economics ■
- Natural sciences ■■
- Social sciences ■■
- Health education ■■
- Creative art ■■■
- Fundamentals of the technical sciences and information technologies ■■

Education is not the only activity of Palacký University. It provides accommodation and offers meals in several cafeterias. Numerous events are organized both for sports fans and culture lovers. There are student societies and organizations helping students to become part of the university life. The Help Centre for Students with Specific Needs at the Faculty of Education provides complex consultancy, technical and therapy services. In short, we look after our students well in Olomouc.