International Co-operation

The Faculty of Education, Charles University emphasizes the development of international cooperation. International exchange programmes providing the mobility of students and scholars play a significant role here.

One of the most important programmes is the European Union Programme <u>Erasmus+</u> that offers study stays and traineeships for students and teaching or training for academic staff. Other European programmes include also Erasmus-Mundus Programme enabling the students to receive joint Master's or PhD degrees from more than one university. Our Faculty is directly involved in the programme <u>MA/Mgr. in Special and Inclusive Education</u>.

Charles University also emphasizes the development of international cooperation implemented on the basis of a network of <u>inter-university agreements</u>. This network currently includes almost 200 partner universities from all over the world. Cooperation with partner universities takes place in a wide range of areas – from student and academic staff mobility, through joint research projects, to seminars and summer schools. Charles University also enables PhD students to participate in <u>cotutelle</u> programmes, involving the joint supervision of dissertations by two tutors. At the end of their studies, cotutelle graduates receive two diplomas – one from Charles University and the other from the partner university.

Academic staff use their stays abroad via the inter-university agreements mainly to gain knowledge for their research and/or publication, for presenting their results or planning and realisation of common research projects.

<u>Faculty agreements</u> are another widely used mechanism to support international mobility. These agreements enable Charles University students and staff to participate in a broad spectrum of activities at partner institutions, as well as providing an excellent opportunity for international students and staff to arrange short-term stays at Charles University.

Other possibilities for students include e.g. $\underline{\text{Visegrad Fund}}$, $\underline{\text{CEEPUS freemovers}}$ programme and various other programmes and foundations.