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# International Relations

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## The Oldřich Černý Scholarship in Economic and Financial Threat Domain

As of academic year 2017/2018 the doctoral programme of International Relations offers one Ph.D. position with a top-up scholarship of 10 000,- Kč/month for student admitted to the full-time study on the basis of a research project from the area of Economic and Financial Threat Domain. The Scholarship is generously funded by Prague Security Studies Institute. The recipient of the scholarship should

- be admitted to study in Ph.D. Programme of International Relations with research project from the area economic and financial threats by state actors;
- duly and timely fulfil the study obligations of the individual study plan;
- cooperate with Prague Security Studies Institute on their projects and activities.

For further information about the research area see the [web pages of PSSI](#) and [flyer](#).

### Introduction

Institute of Political Studies of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Charles University (FSV UK) offers doctoral programme in **International Relations** (Department of International Relations). Doctoral programme is accredited for four years both in their full-time and part-time form. Programme is taught in Czech and English. **Studies in English are subjected to the tuition fees.**

The aim of the four-year doctoral studies is to prepare highly qualified experts, able to take part in basic and applied research in academic field and at universities and also able to work in the public sector, take part in analytical activities of the state administration departments and work in various types of mass media and in the Czech or international private sector.

Doctoral studies at the IPS are based mainly on the independent scientific and research work of doctoral students. The research should result in submission of a dissertation thesis. Students should also **publish at least two scholarly articles** during the course of their studies, **take part in scientific and research activities in the form of submission of grant applications, attendance at conferences** etc. Doctoral students have also the opportunity to participate in educational activity of the faculty. Detailed information concerning the rules of the doctoral studies can be found [here](#). Full-time doctoral students are also offered to work as academic fellows at the Centre for doctoral studies ( [CDS](#) ), which can provide them with sufficient financial support for their research. At the CDS the students also participate in the organisational support activities of the doctoral studies at the Institute of Political Studies. The [selection procedure](#) to the CDS is held once a year and can be attended also by first-year students.

### Information for Applicants

Applicant for doctoral studies in International Relations can choose the dissertation thesis topic from the list of priority areas offered by the Department of International Relations for each academic year. The applicants are advised to contact the potential supervisor to specify the focus of the project within the priority area.

In the case the applicant wishes to pursue a topic different from the areas listed by the department, it is necessary to actively seek and consult potential supervisor of the proposed research project and submit an evidence of her/his consent together with the dissertation research project, i.e. before 1 June 2018.

**Applicants for the doctoral study programme must:**

- the candidate must be a Master's degree graduate in the fields of social science and humanities and degree **must be recognised** in the Czech Republic see [here](#)
- the candidate must submit proposal of the dissertation project and **confirmation of the English language proficiency**

**The admission procedure:**

Entrance exam has **two admission rounds**. In the **first round** admissions committee evaluates **quality of the research projects and its compatibility with priorities** of the department. Admission committee then sets scores for advance to the next round. In the **second round**, selected applicants are invited to **oral interview**. During the interview, admission committee assesses applicants' qualification and motivation for research work, quality of the research project and its feasibility.

Entrance exam rating is set by the Board of the Doctoral Studies. The Board decides on the minimum points required for the admission in the given academic year. Entrance exam scoring reflects next to the academic merit also the degree of compatibility of the project with priority topics listed by the department for the given academic year. During the entrance exam, **in each of the two rounds**, applicants can receive **maximum of 40 points**. In the second round, applicant can receive up to **10 points for publications** related to the topic of the proposed research project.

**Project of the dissertation thesis** (first proposal) must be submitted till the **1st June 2018** in two versions:

- **printed version** sent to **The Centre for Doctoral Studies IPS FSV UK** (U Kříže 8, Jinonice, 158 00 Praha 5)
- **electronic version** sent by email to the [cds-ips@fsv.cuni.cz](mailto:cds-ips@fsv.cuni.cz) **and** [phd.mv@seznam.cz](mailto:phd.mv@seznam.cz)

The deadline for applications is **30th April 2018**. No extension of this deadline is possible.

Expected **dates of interviews** are set for **the June**.

**Specific dates, information about the admission procedure and formalities of the application** for doctoral studies can be found at [FSV](#).

More details on the study can be found in the [Handbook for Doctoral Students](#).

For more information about the admission process please contact Ms. Stanovska - [marie.stanovska@fsv.cuni.cz](mailto:marie.stanovska@fsv.cuni.cz) from the study department.

[Priority areas of supervision for 2018/2019](#)

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