

**International Summer School for Deaf and Hard of
Hearing Learners & Teachers**

INFORMATION BOOKLET

Learning foreign languages - how to study smarter, not
harder: learning styles and preferences



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Introduction

Dear participants,

Welcome to the International Summer School for Deaf, deaf and hard-of-hearing learners and their teachers. There will be people from several countries: The Czech Republic, Italy, Poland, Slovakia, Belgium, or Estonia.

It will be a **multicultural** and **multilingual** event.

This is a short information booklet to help you get ready for our Summer School. You will find here useful information and answers to some important questions.

If you can't find the answers you need, please contact us.

Enjoy your stay in Telč!

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About the Summer School

EU project funding

The Summer School is organized thanks to the EU projects “LangSkills II” and “Telč 22”.

- 👉 Are you interested in learning about other cultures and languages?
- 👉 Do you want to become a more effective learner?
- 👉 And do you want to share how you go about learning foreign languages?

These are the main questions the projects work with. The projects want to improve the foreign language learning experience for Deaf, deaf, and hard of hearing learners, and to support them to be more autonomous as learners.

Learn more about the projects:



Programme

What will we do in Telč?

- learn (a bit of) Czech Sign Language
- think about how we learn languages and what strategies we use
- explore an interesting part of the Czech Republic - Telč :-)
- enjoy a workshop with Hands Dance - a group of deaf and hearing sign language interpreters who interpret music and theater performances
- and more.

Tip: To get the *Summer School Certificate*, you'll need to attend the prepared programme. Please ask the organizers if you need to miss a session.

Useful things to bring

- medicine you need to take
- comfortable clothes and shoes including swimsuit
- toiletries, e.g. toothbrush & toothpaste, shampoo, ...
- documents (ID/passport, ...)
- a laptop / tablet and a pen
- other things you usually need

Trip to Roštejn

On Thursday, there's a field trip!

First, we'll visit the **Gothic castle called Roštejn**, built in the first half of the 14th century. We'll take a tour around the castle. You can climb the **tower** and enjoy the views. If you're lucky, you can even see the Alps in Austria.



Source: <https://hrad-rostejn.cz/en/exterior/>

And then, we'll do some hiking to get back to Telč for dinner. There'll be some great places to see as we go, places to rest and tasks to do.

Tip: You'll need some **good shoes** 🥾 for hiking. Flip flops or high heels are not the best options.

Cultural evening

Let's share cultures! And this includes local food.

Tip: If you can, **bring some typical local food**, e. g. small chocolates, cheese or so to share with others.

Service provision

A team of experienced professionals from the [Overseas Interpreting](#) and Masaryk University teams will provide

- English – International Sign interpreting
- speech-to-text reporting in written English
- technical services

Telč

The programme takes place in Telč. Telč has about 5,300 inhabitants.



Tip: If you want to visit Prague, you won't have enough time to do it during the summer school. It is difficult to find buses and trains. But you can stay a day longer or arrive earlier.

Five exciting things about Telč

- 1** The historic centre is very beautiful and the town part of Telč-Staré Město has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1992.
- 2** The town square is a unique complex with Renaissance and Baroque houses.



Source: <https://flic.kr/p/ab2CY>



Source: <https://flic.kr/p/E5Q2VG>

- 3** The 17th-century Renaissance château with an English-style park is one of the main landmarks of the town. One of the most valuable parts is the Chapel of All Saints with stucco decoration.

4 Telč is known for summer and winter music festivals and theatrical performances. Historical celebrations (pictured) are some of them.



Source: <https://www.farnost-telc.cz>



Source: <https://www.telc.eu>

5 The town is located in a beautiful countryside, known for its ponds, flooded quarries, fields and woods.



Source: <https://www.alltrails.com/parks/czech-republic/vysocina/pr-velky-parezity-rybnik/photos>

How to get to Telč

Vienna (Brno) and Prague are good starting points.

Vienna Airport - Brno - Telč

- By bus: There are several bus companies that operate between Brno and Vienna airport (e.g. FlixBus, RegioJet). You can use the Czech app [IDOS](#) to look for connections.
- By train: There are also trains that take you to Vienna Train Station and then to Brno Main Train Station.
- From Brno, you can take either a bus or a train. Typically, a stop in Jihlava and a change to a local bus is involved, whether you travel from Vienna/Brno, or Prague.

Prague Airport - Prague - Telč

Tip: Use the Czech app [IDOS](#) to look for local connections (bus, train). Usually, a combination of train and bus takes you to your destination.

Venue: University Centre Telč (UCT)

Náměstí Zachariáše z Hradce 2, 588 56 Telč

www.uct.muni.cz

<https://goo.gl/maps/xMA5pgsZQwEz6dQ3A>



Main entrance to UCT (source: www.uct.muni.cz)

The centre was established in the former Jesuit College complex built between 1651 and 1655. Masaryk University bought it in 2002 and renovated it.

Accommodation

There are a total of 75 beds in student and teacher rooms.

Most of the **student rooms** are four-bed standard rooms with a bathroom. There is a **shared kitchen**.



Student rooms (source: www.uct.muni.cz)

Take a virtual walk through UCT accommodation:
<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=gAF5GNpBb4p>

Tip: We need to **leave rooms on Saturday 2 July 2022 by 9:00.**

Internet access

There is a free wireless internet connection at the University Centre.
To connect to it choose **"MUNIguests"**.
Password: **MUNIguests**

Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided in the cafeteria at the University Centre.

- 👉 breakfast 8:00 - 9:00
- 👉 lunch 12:30 - 13:30
- 👉 dinner 18:30 - 19:30

If you want to get some meal and drink outside the Centre, you need to pay for it on your own.

Tip: There's a nice **café** in the University Centre's courtyard selling local handmade cakes.

Useful information

Parking in Telč

https://www.telc.eu/services/parking_lots

ATMs

Debit and credit cards are commonly accepted (Visa, Mastercard and Maestro) but it is good to have some Czech crowns (CZK).

Tip: Some shops have a minimum purchase amount for using a card (e.g. 100 CZK), so it's good to have a little bit of cash with you.

Map of ATMs in Telč:

<https://tinyurl.com/2ud56993>



Exchange services

https://www.telc.eu/services/exchange_services

Water safety

The local tap water is safe to drink.

Crime

Crime levels are low but keep your keys, phone, documents and money secure.

Electricity in the Czech Republic

The power plugs and sockets are of **type E**.

standard voltage: 230 V

standard frequency: 50 Hz



Weather forecast

Check it here:

<https://www.bbc.com/weather/3064316>

Phone calls

The National City code for Czech Republic is **+420**.

Emergency calls - always free of charge

General emergency: **112**

Ambulance: **155**

Police: **158**

Fire brigade: **150**

Municipal police: **156**

Useful phrases in Czech and Czech Sign Language

hello = **ahoj** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)

yes = **ano** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)

no = **ne** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)

please = **prosím** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)

thanks = **děkuji** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)

sorry = **promiň** ([pronunciation](#)) | [Czech SL](#)