

DEPARTMENT OF ASIAN STUDIES

The Department of Asian Studies at the Faculty of Arts of Palacký University Olomouc was established in 1993. It specializes in the area studies of Asia. Its teaching and research activities focus on languages, cultures, and societies of China, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, and Vietnam. It offers degree courses on undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate level and welcomes an ever-growing number of students every year.

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OLOMOUC

Olomouc is often considered one of the hidden jewels of Europe. It is a beautiful city with magical atmosphere, plentiful greenery, and the second largest concentration of well-preserved historical monuments in the Czech Republic. With its population of about 100,000 inhabitants, it ranks as the sixth largest in the country. Olomouc is widely known as a student city due to its high proportion of students in relation to the local population.



PALACKÝ UNIVERSITY OLOMOUC

Palacký University Olomouc is a university with long-standing tradition. Founded in 1573, it is the oldest university in Moravia and the second-oldest university in the Czech Republic.

Nowadays, it is a modern higher education and research facility with about 23,000 students enrolled at its eight faculties. It offers a wide range of study programmes as well as copious scientific and other academic and community engagement activities.



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STUDY PROGRAMMES

BACHELOR STUDY PROGRAMMES (3 years)

- Chinese Philology
- Indonesian Studies
- Japanese Philology
- Korean for Business
- Korean Studies
- Vietnamese Philology

MASTER STUDY PROGRAMMES (2 years)

- Asian Studies
- Asian Studies with Specialization in
 - Chinese Language and Culture
 - Indonesian Language and Culture
 - Japanese Language and Culture
 - Korean Language and Culture
 - Vietnamese Language and Culture

DOCTORAL STUDY PROGRAMMES (4 years)

- Languages and Cultures of China and Japan
- Asian Studies



RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

Research activities at the department are organized in four clusters:

- (1) **Linguistics,**
- (2) **Literature and Arts,**
- (3) **Anthropology,** and
- (4) **Political Sciences.**

The department publishes its own journal (*Dálný východ*) and book series (*Olomouc Asian Studies, OLAS*). Every year, it organizes an international conference (*Annual Conference on Asian Studies, ACAS*) as well as other events, such as summer schools, workshops, and special lecture series.

It is also home to two research laboratories: the Material Culture Lab (MatKulLab) and the Linguistics Lab.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The department is a member of various international academic associations, collaborates with diplomatic offices, and works closely with numerous cultural institutions to reach out to the public and enrich the study experience of its students.

Every year it hosts lecturers and researchers from abroad and cooperates with numerous partner universities, especially in Europe and Asia, on research projects as well as academic staff mobility and student exchange programmes.

