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Introduction

Dear prospective students,

I am delighted that you are considering applying to the Department of English language and literature (further abbreviated as **KAJL**, from its Slovak name Katedra anglického jazyka a literatúry), which is part of the Faculty of Education at the University of Trnava.

Our department is an international, inclusive and outward-looking community with a number of opportunities to offer. It focuses on the higher education of non-native English speakers who seek to become either teachers of English as a foreign language or philologists specializing in English and Anglophone cultures. To study here means to learn from our international team of teachers and join our current students – active young people bursting with energy, new ideas and creativity.

This prospectus is intended to help you learn more about our department and choose the best study programme for you. After welcoming you here as our student, we will do our best to help you broaden your knowledge, develop your skill set and widen your horizons – and to ensure that you can become a valuable member of society, both for your personal happiness and for the benefit of all.

We have made every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information in this prospectus before publication (as of January 2023); however, it is subject to change without notice. This prospectus was published around nine months prior to the academic year to which it relates (2023/24) and changes may occur before the beginning of the academic year. The most up-to-date information and any changes, such as newly announced courses of study or changes to contact details, will be updated on our website: <https://pdf.truni.sk/en/katedry/kaj>. If there is any conflict or ambiguity between information contained in this publication and the updated Faculty of University Regulations, then the new regulations will prevail.

The student terms and conditions, as well as Faculty and University Regulations can be found on the University website: <https://pdf.truni.sk/zasadne-dokumenty>. They set out the terms on which the University will provide the relevant programme or course; the regulations with which students must comply; students' other obligations to the University, Faculty, our staff, and to fellow students; what to do and whom to contact if there is a problem; and other important information.

Once again, thank you for your interest and I wish you good luck with your studies.

Professor Silvia Pokrivcakova
Head of Department



Our university

The University of Trnava (henceforward TRUNI) is a modern, attractive, educational and scientific institution built upon the traditions of the historical Universitas Tyrnaviensis, one of the oldest universities in the current area of Slovakia (then the Austria-Hungarian Monarchy). Universitas Tyrnaviensis was established by Cardinal Peter Pázmaň in 1635 and consisted of four faculties (colleges) of theology, arts, law and medicine. It existed for 142 years and was moved to Buda (today part of Budapest, Hungary) in 1777.

The National Council of the Slovak Republic re-established the University of Trnava in 1992. Since 2019, TRUNI has been known as a "research-focused university" and is a winner of the National Quality Award.

TRUNI provides bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programmes in philosophy, social sciences and humanities, pedagogy, law, health care and theology. Our five faculties currently host almost 5,300 students and more than 33,000 graduates have already received their higher education here. According to the [current student survey](#), 94% of our students are satisfied with their choice of the TRUNI study programme.

Currently, TRUNI consists of 5 faculties:
Faculty of Arts
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Health Care and Social Work
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Theology

In November 2020, TRUNI became a member of the **U10+ Consortium** (a consortium of ten Slovak universities), bringing together the intellectual capacity of nearly 4,000 creative staff and more than 50,000 students. In spring 2022, it co-founded the international consortium **KreativEU**, a network of universities intending to develop and showcase Europe's cultural heritage, local and national cultural traditions, crafts and folklore – and to study them in a broader European perspective.

According to U-Multirank (2022), a global ranking created by the European Commission, the University of Trnava ranked third amongst the eight participating Slovak universities and sixth amongst twenty Slovak and Czech universities.

TRUNI is honoured to follow the principles of the Great Charter of European Universities, protecting the full independence of universities from political and economic powers, as well as their freedom to perform research and education.

TRUNI in social media:





Our faculty

Faculty of Education

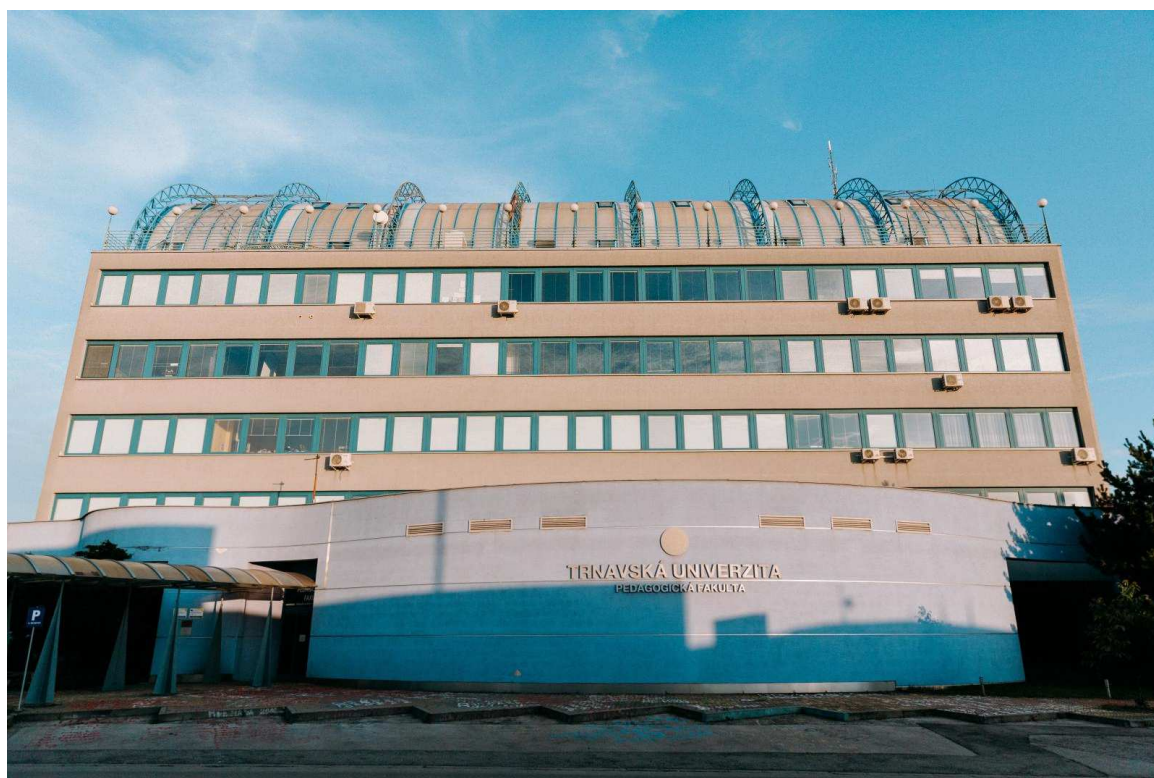
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The Faculty's main focus is to provide education and training for future elementary and secondary-school teachers. During their undergraduate and master's studies, the students acquire professional, teaching and psychological knowledge as well as practical instruction skills.

Another important group of provided study programmes belong to philological studies (English language and Anglophone cultures, Slovak sign language). The students have at their disposal advanced technical equipment, laboratories, studios, and classrooms with audio-visual aids, and its academic departments are run by competent staff.

The faculty consists of the following departments:

Department of Biology
Department of Art Education
Department of Chemistry
Department of Physics
Department of Educational Studies
Department of School Education
Department of Slovak Language and Literature
Department of English Language and Literature
Department of German Language and Literature
Department of Mathematics and Computer Science





Our department

Throughout the years, the Department of English Language and Literature of the Faculty of Arts has become an international academic hub joining academics and students from many countries. It has also developed rich international relations with many educational institutions around the world.

Currently, the Department has an international team of highly qualified university lecturers (professors, associate professors and assistant professors) from Slovakia, the Republic of Ireland, Great Britain, Hungary, Poland and Belarus. Each of them contributes distinctive knowledge, experiences and perspectives, which then influence and enrich each other, creating a stimulating and diverse academic environment for colleagues and students alike.

Similarly, our students form a diverse and dynamic international community. In the academic year 2022/23 we have students from Slovakia, the Czech Republic, the UK, the Republic of Ireland, Ukraine, Serbia, Kazakhstan, Turkey and Egypt. They all bring their different academic experiences and add to creating an international learning community at KAJL. Our students value the different perspectives their fellow students bring and welcome the support provided by our expert teaching staff.

Our staff

Professors

[doc. PhDr. Jana Bérešová, PhD. et PhD.](#), univ. prof.

[prof. Dr. László Imre Komlósi, CSc.](#) (Hungary)

[prof. PhDr. Anton Pokrivčák, PhD.](#)

[prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#) – Head of Department

Associate Professors

[doc. PhDr. Božena Horváthová, PhD.](#) – Deputy for science and research

[doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

[doc. Anna Stachurska, PhD.](#) (Poland)

[doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#) – Deputy for pedagogical activities

Professor Assistants

[Mgr. Petra Hitková, PhD.](#)

[Mgr. Jakub Hriňák, PhD.](#)

[M. A. Louise Kocianová, PGDE, PhD.](#) (the U.K.)

[PhDr. Xénia Liashuk, PhD.](#) (Belarus)

[Mgr. Zuzana Suchánová, PhD.](#)

Assistant

[BA, PGdip. Aaron McCauley](#) (the Republic of Ireland)

Our department's secretary

[Marcela Rapantová](#)

Your academic and personal support

We want to ensure our students feel welcome, supported, and happy throughout their time at KAJL. You will be supported by a combination of academic support and wellbeing guidance provided by either our students or administration staff.

Academic support – is provided by the study advisers appointed for each study group (their names are given under the list of KAJL's study programmes in the next pages).

- [The Student Support Centre](#) – provides physical and mental health support, as well as legal, and career support for all TRUNI students
- **The Students' Representative Council** ([Študentská rada](#)) – provide peer-to-peer student support
- **Religious support** – can be found in [the University Pastoral Centre](#)
- **Student Disability Service** – for more details see [here](#), contact dr. Nad'a Bizová (nada.bizova@truni.sk)
- **International Student Support** – look for more details [here](#).
- **Buddy support** for international students is managed by [Erasmus Student Network Trnava](#).
- KAJL's representative is Rebeka Juhászová (rebeka.juhaszova@tvu.sk).

What you can study at KAJL

Our undergraduate study programmes (Bc.)

English language and Anglophone cultures (Bc.) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PhDr. Anton Pokrivčák, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

supervisor of specific practice: [doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

Teaching English language and literature (Bc., single major) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#)

supervisor of teaching practice: [Mgr. Zuzana Sucháňová, PhD.](#)

Teaching English language and literature (Bc., double major) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#)

supervisor of teaching practice: [Mgr. Zuzana Sucháňová, PhD.](#)

Undergraduate degrees (typically three years full-time) provide foundational education within your field, building on your general knowledge from secondary school subjects. Students typically undertake a combination of taught courses (in-person or blended) which are complemented by supervised teaching or working practice. From the very first semester, our students carry out their research projects, which prepares them for conducting their bachelor research and writing bachelor theses. Undergraduate studies culminate in an oral defence of the bachelor thesis, which leads to the award of Bc.

Our minimal requirements for undergraduate programmes applicants (Bc.)

When applying for our Bc study programmes, you need to provide evidence of your completed secondary education and your English language skills (ideally C1 or B2 levels according to CEFR; a completed B1 level is the minimal requirement), through suitable qualifications (e.g. maturita, state exam, international certificate). For international applications, we will also accept one of the following certificates: IELTS, TOEFL – iBT (incl. TOEFL Home Edition), IGCSE English (First or Second Language), Cambridge CAE or CPE, Trinity ISE, and others. You do not need to come to an interview or audition, or to sit an admissions test. We, however, appreciate if you provide evidence of your excellent study, research or art results (e.g. language competitions, SOČ, creative writing events), valued extracurricular activities (e.g. participating in drama performances), relevant work or voluntary experience (e.g. as a teaching assistant, animator, tourist guide, translator, etc.).



Our Master's study programmes (Mgr.)

English language and Anglophone cultures (Mgr.) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PhDr. Anton Pokrivčák, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

supervisor of specific practice: [doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

Teaching English language and literature (Mgr., single major) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#)

supervisor of teaching practice: [Mgr. Zuzana Sucháňová, PhD.](#)

Teaching English language and literature (Mgr., double major) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#)

supervisor of teaching practice: [Mgr. Zuzana Sucháňová, PhD.](#)

Master's degrees (typically two years full time) are designed to deepen knowledge in a subject studied at undergraduate level. Students on our taught master's typically undertake a combination of taught courses, research projects and supervised practice. Their study includes a supervised development of their research skills, enabling students to carry out and present a diploma thesis – a piece of original research for submission for a higher degree. Studies culminate in state exams and diploma thesis oral defence. Our master's courses lead to the award of Mgr (an equivalent of MA award).

Our minimal requirements for master's programmes applicants (Mgr.)

You need to provide evidence of completing the undergraduate study programme in teaching English or non-teaching English-focused (philological) study programme (e.g. English, English language and culture, Translating from/to English, etc.). The applicants who have completed a non-teaching undergraduate programme will need to complete the undergraduate teacher training courses during their master's studies. Applicants will be admitted based on their results of the bachelor's degree (weighted average). You do not need to come to an interview or audition, or to sit an admissions test. We, however, appreciate if you provide evidence of your excellent study, research or art results (e.g. language competitions, ŠVOUČ, creative writing events), valued extracurricular activities (e.g. participating in drama performances), relevant work or voluntary experience (e.g. as a teaching assistant, animator, tourist guide, translator, etc.).



Our doctoral (post-graduate) study programme

Theory of language and literary education (PhD.) – [description](#), [list of courses](#)

Professor responsible for the study programme: [prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD.](#)

academic adviser: [doc. PhDr. Božena Horváthová, PhD.](#)

Supervisors:

[doc. PhDr. Jana Bérešová, PhD. et PhD.](#), univ. professor

[prof. Dr. László Imre Komlósi, CSc.](#)

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[doc. Mgr. Erika Juríková, PhD.](#)

[doc. Anna Stachurska, PhD.](#)

[doc. Mgr. Hana Vančová, PhD.](#)

A PhD study programme (typically three years full time) leads to the highest academic research qualification, entailing research training and supervised research, either on a one-to-one basis with a supervisor or as part of a research team. PhD students gain the specialist background knowledge for the projected research and develop the skills appropriate to research in that field. Their work culminates in a doctoral thesis. The topic of your research must be agreed with your supervisor and is likely to develop over the course of the PhD. The PhD is assessed by an oral examination in which you will defend your research thesis.

Our minimal requirements for post-graduate programmes applicants (PhD.)

You need to provide evidence of completing the graduate study programme in teaching any language (Slovak, English, German and others). Applicants will be admitted based on their defence of a submitted research project. You will be invited to come to an interview where you will present your future doctoral research and discuss it with the panel of experts. We appreciate if you provide evidence of your previous excellent study or research activities.



In addition to already mentioned study programmes, KAJL offers a range of postgraduate learning opportunities to the needs of a wide range of English language professionals and teachers. This includes taught degrees, professional qualifications and independent research. For more details, consult our website.

Organization of your study

KAJL offers a highly participative learning environment, which is both supportive and intellectually stimulating. From the moment you start your studies, you'll be in a flexible and innovative learning environment. You will experience a range of teaching methods and ways of learning when you study with us:

- **Lectures** are large sessions led by lecturers (typically Professors or Associate Professors). A lecture introduces key topics and provides an outline for gathering more detailed information about your subject.
- **Seminars** are larger group sessions (normally up to 25 students) that allow for more intensive discussions on lecture information.
- **Practicals** (exercises) are hands-on sessions where you will develop new subject-related practical skills with a focus on individual or group projects, data collection, problem solving, presentation and evaluation/ reviewing skills.
- **Independent learning** is at the heart of university study. It is learning that is done outside of your normal classes of lectures, seminars and practicals. It can include reading various materials around a topic for an assignment, or searching for and following up an author mentioned in a lecture. Its purpose is to expand your knowledge on certain areas. It does not mean you need to study on your own – we advise our students to cooperate with other students, to create informal study groups, share ideas and discuss the topics to improve their understanding.
- **Supervised practice** is part of your study programme where you teach or work under supervision.
- **Study trips** are trips or tours organized outside university, taken by a group of students in order to study something related to their study programmes. Annually, our department organizes several study trips to various Anglophone countries (e.g. England, Ireland, Scotland, Malta).
- **One-to-one consultations** provide an opportunity for an in-depth discussion with your teacher in relation to your specific tasks, learning needs or on assessment issues. Typically, students use consultations with their tutors when preparing for their presentations or writing their final theses.

Studying at our department means more than sitting in our lecture theatres and reproducing what you have learned from your teachers. You will be expected to adopt a whole new approach to your own education that differs from what the majority of you experienced at your secondary school. Along with supervised classes, where you interact and work collaboratively with your classmates under your teacher's guidance, you will be encouraged to become an independent learner who is proactive and able to enhance and enrich your own education. To meet the demands of your degree, you will need to manage your own time and develop independent learning skills. Of course, we will support you and provide guidance on how to study most effectively and how to succeed in this new environment; however, we just offer the opportunities, and it must be your choice to seize them.

During the Covid-19 pandemic we adopted online and hybrid teaching to provide an ongoing education. We continue including this newly gained experience in our teaching; therefore, a significant number of our courses are still provided in a blended form (combining face-to-face classes with online sessions in MS Teams and MOODLE and intensive individual study).

Top benefits of studying at KAJL

- ✓ You will be taught and supported by our experienced international staff consisting of highly qualified teachers and experts.
- ✓ You manage your study – you will set the intensity (learning load) and duration of your study.
- ✓ Through a wide range of compulsory-optional and optional courses, you may adapt the content of your study to your preferences and interests.
- ✓ You will study from a wide range of modern study resources (pre-recorded lectures, audio textbooks, online quizzes, interactive sources, etc.).
- ✓ In many courses, you will have the opportunity to work with the latest learning technology (language learning application, corpora, intelligent learning tools).
- ✓ In many courses, you may choose from in-person, online, or distant sessions.
- ✓ Our flexible blended format of study is particularly suited to students already in full- or part-time employment or with other professional or personal commitments.
- ✓ When involved in blended courses, you can choose to study at a time and in a place that suits you, saving relocation time and travel costs.
- ✓ Our online learning technology is fully interactive and allows you to communicate with your classmates and teachers from the comfort of your own home or workplace, or on the go.

Students' research activities

As we have already mentioned, TRUNI is a research-focused university, and all your teachers are carrying out original research studies as an inseparable part of their activities. Continually, they incorporate their latest research in the teaching you receive and share the latest knowledge with you. You may have the opportunity to get involved in research that allows you to delve more deeply into your chosen topic. This will help you develop your analytical and research skills, as well as prepare better for your future career whether that's in teaching practice, the language industry or postgraduate study.

Besides carrying out and presenting your personal research projects (seminar papers, semestral projects, bachelor and diploma theses), you may participate in:

- KAJL's ongoing research projects:
 - *VEGA 1/0262/21: Artificial intelligence in foreign language and literary education*
 - *KEGA 019TTU-4/2021: Introducing new digital tools in education and research within transdisciplinary philology study programmes*
- organizing KAJL's annual conferences (*Language, Literature and Culture in Education* and *Current challenges in language education*)
- students research groups *Computer -Assisted Language Learning* and *Translatology Club*



Your international opportunities

Being a student of English as a foreign language, international activities will form a very important aspect of your study.

You may choose from the following opportunities:

- **Study abroad for up to a year** through [Erasmus mobilities](#) as part of your study programme without adding an extra year or semester (TRUNI currently has more than 100 partners across the world). There are no additional tuition fees and you get support and recognition for your time abroad through the programme.
- **Apply for a national stipend** through a chosen SAIA scheme. [SAIA](#) regularly publishes new offers and calls for applications. All costs are covered by a stipend.
- **Attend short-term international events** such as summer schools, workshops, conferences, etc. To learn more, follow the department's [FB](#) or consult with your study tutor.
- **Attend our study trips** to Anglophone countries (for more details, visit [here](#)).
- **Become a buddy.** A buddy is a TRUNI student who helps an international student before, during and after their mobility. If interested, find out more [here](#).

Benefits of spending part of your study abroad

- ✓ visiting new and interesting places
- ✓ deepening your language knowledge
- ✓ expanding your intercultural awareness
- ✓ gaining skills and experiences that will enhance your CV
- ✓ broadening your further study and work perspectives
- ✓ building an international network of classmates and future colleagues

Welcoming international students

At our department, we are always happy to welcome international guests – both teachers and students.

Our International Student Support team can give you advice on any concerns you may have prior to arrival, including immigration, working regulations and finance. Once you arrive, the team will be on hand to offer advice and support.

[TRUNI - The international student's guide](#)

For more information on your study conditions, credits and academic recognition, contact our Vice-Dean for international affairs, doc. Mgr. Dana Masaryková, PhD. (dana.masarykova@truni.sk).

Events

Our teachers and students regularly organize a set of academic events:

St Patrick's Day
European Day of Languages
The University Scavenger Hunt
Science and Technology week
The Ugly Christmas Sweater Party



Going Green

At KAJL, climate change and the protection of our environment are not only topics for polite English conversation. We are taking action. Help us be an eco-friendly department. Please,

- ✓ *Care for your surroundings* – behave in a way which will contribute to a clean, tidy, safe, healthy and friendly environment (classes, corridors, halls and the area in front of the faculty).
- ✓ *Promote paperless classes and offices.* Save paper by not printing whenever possible. There's no reason that our communications and your tasks can't be done electronically.
- ✓ *If paper is unavoidable, use recycled paper or recycled-paper products.*
- ✓ *If printing is necessary (e.g. when submitting your final theses), save paper by printing on both sides of a sheet of paper and use your printer's eco-mode.*
- ✓ *Recycle* – you are always welcome to use our recycling containers.
- ✓ *Say no to plastic goods.* Prefer eco-friendly and reusable goods instead.
- ✓ *Turn the lights and projectors off* in rooms when they're not in use.
- ✓ *Reduce water consumption,* e.g. recycle stale water from your drinking bottles to water our flowers.
- ✓ *Unplug electronic devices* to decrease energy usage around the department.
- ✓ *Move by yourself.* Right in front of the faculty, you will find [a station of shared electro-bikes](#). Do not hesitate to use them for free.
- ✓ *Share with us your tips for lower consumption* of water, electricity, paper and the environment-friendly waste collection.



How to apply?

General instructions for applying to TRUNI's study programmes

- 1) The application form must be submitted in print or [electronically](#) (in that case an in-print application must be sent to TRUNI anyway, but it may be done later).
- 2) The application form must include certified copies of annual report cards, secondary school leaving certificate (maturita), the applicant's curriculum vitae, and a receipt for payment of the admission fee.
- 3) Applicants who are graduating from school. 2022/2023, confirm the results for 1st to 3rd year of secondary school in the application form. An officially certified report card from the 4th year and an officially certified school leaving certificate must be submitted by 16 June 2023.
- 4) It is possible to apply for admission to several study programmes at the faculty, for each programme it is necessary to fill in a separate application form and pay a separate fee.
- 5) The electronic application form must be confirmed by an accompanying hard copy application form with signature.
- 6) If, after being asked to complete the missing parts of the application form, the applicant fails to complete the required parts of the application form within the time limit set within the time limit, he/she shall be excluded from the admission procedure. The admission fee will not be refunded.
- 7) The final verification of the fulfilment of the conditions for admission will take place at the meeting of the admissions board in June 2023 with the support of the modular academic information system.
- 8) Applicants with specific needs are advised to contact the faculty advisor before applying coordinator for students with specific needs. Mail: nada.bizova@truni.sk.
- 9) If a small number of applicants apply for any of the above programmes, the Faculty reserves the right to not to open this study programme.

When do I apply?

Application closing date for all study programmes: **28 February 2023**

How soon will I receive a decision?

We respond to all applications as soon as possible.

Application fees

Paper application fee: EUR 35

Electronic application fee: EUR 35 (via MAIS and then in print)

Bank account: IBAN: SK 42 8180 0000 0070 0024 1199

Variable symbol: generated VS for payment to the applicant = see applicant's registration number generated via the electronic application form in the top right corner of the application form without the letter R (e.g.

022000xxx), or without the symbol if the applicant sends the application only by post (or the date of submission of the application by post)

Specific symbol: 20002

Additional information: your full name



How to [submit electronic application](#) and monitor the admission procedure

Step 1: Registration

The registration is required for filing an electronic application and for monitoring the course of the admission procedure for the applications submitted by you. If you haven't done so yet, please [register here](#).

Step 2: Personal data

Fill in and record your personal and contact data. Please note - it is not possible to register your electronic application without entering all your personal and contact data first.

Step 3: Application form

Fill in the application. When filing the application, you no longer have to enter the above information. As part of your registration, you are free to file any number of applications for the offered study programmes of the admission procedure.

Step 4: Application status

The fourth and final step is to monitor the application status and the course of the admission procedure. Via this website, the Study Department will inform you about the acceptance of your application, course of your admission procedure and the decision on admission or non-admission to study at the university.

Note: We will use your online account to contact you if there are any problems with your application and to inform you of the outcome. Please check your application regularly for important notifications.

You can find out more about how to apply [here](#).

We wish you success and a positive result from the admission procedure!

Student life in Trnava

Trnava was the first town in Slovakia to be granted the privileges of a free royal town in 1238 by the Hungarian King Belo IV. The fortifications of the town of Trnava rank among the oldest medieval fortifications of Slovak towns. With a delineated area of 56 ha, the town of Trnava in the 13th century ranked amongst the largest towns in Europe.

Modern Trnava is an economic, political, and cultural centre of Western Slovakia and also a university city. Despite a relatively small population, Trnava is home to three universities with various types of study disciplines. These universities attract young people from the whole of Slovakia as well as foreign and exchange students.

Travel to Trnava

Trnava is easily accessible from 4 airports: Bratislava (km), Vienna (km), Brno (km) and Budapest (km) airports. To get to Trnava from any of these cities is easy both by train and by bus. There are frequent and regular connections from Slovakia's capital city - Bratislava. If you travel by bus try to avoid the typical morning and afternoon traffic jams. The trip takes less than an hour. There is a direct connection from Vienna about twice a day, and it takes no more than two hours. Travelling from Budapest or Brno, you will have to transfer in Bratislava.

If travelling by train, Trnava can be easily reached from almost any place in Slovakia. The city lies on the main railway line Bratislava - Žilina - Košice. Both railway and bus stations are located in the city centre next to each other and to get from them to our faculty's building is very easy – as shown on the last page of this prospectus. You may opt for walking (20 mins), using a shared electro-bike (10 mins) or taking city bus No. 5.

Top 10 tourist attractions in Trnava and the surrounding region

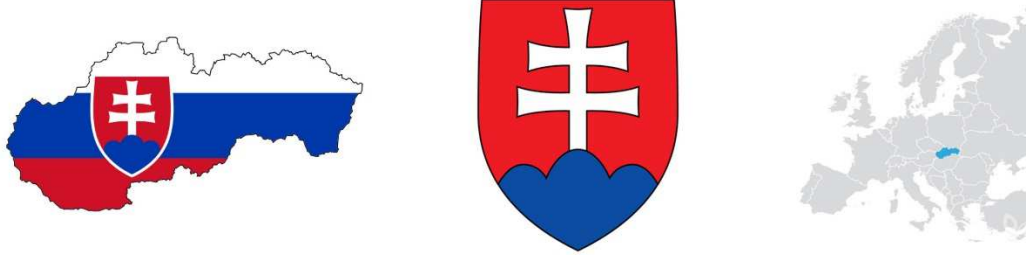
- [Smolenice Castle](#)
- [Church of St. John the Baptist](#)
- [Parish Church of St. Nicolas](#)
- [Town's Fortifications](#)
- [Traditional Trnava Fair](#)
- [Medieval Times at the Town Walls](#)
- [The Church and Monastery of St.Catherine in Dechtice](#)
- [Driny caves](#)
- [The Renaissance Town Tower](#)
- [Vino Tirnavia](#)

Leisure and sport

Trnava and its close surrounding can satisfy both romantic souls and pragmatists. You can relax at the ruins of medieval castles, go for a walk in an English garden or cool down in a cave. You may go hiking or biking. Or, you may visit one of our well-equipped wellness centres, swimming pools, golf courses or equestrian centres.

- [Culture](#)
- [Nature and countryside](#)
- [Hiking](#)
- [Biking](#)
- [Horse Riding](#)
- [Swimming and wellness](#)
- [Sport](#)
- [Restaurants, cafés and clubs](#)

Welcome to Slovakia



Official name: the Slovak Republic

Population: 5,450,000

Area: 49,036 sq. Km

Capital city:

Bratislava (population: 450,000)

Form of government: Republic

Political system:

parliamentary democracy

Slovakia (long form: The Slovak Republic) covers the territory of more than 49 thousand square kilometres and is situated in the heart of Central Europe. It is bordered by the Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, Ukraine and Poland. Slovakia is a very beautiful country with mountains, forests, pastures and is rich in mineral resources. The country has a mild climate, with warm summers and moderate winters.

Bratislava, the Tatras, and Spiš Castle - you should visit all three of these places to be able to say you've experienced Slovakia. Slovakia's tourism opportunities are rich and varied. For the most interesting cities, unique nature, spas, and UNESCO sites to see, as well as for practical information and advice, [consult this website](#).

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Do you have any questions? For opportunities to find out more, including online events, virtual visits, and campus visits here in Trnava: pr@truni.sk.

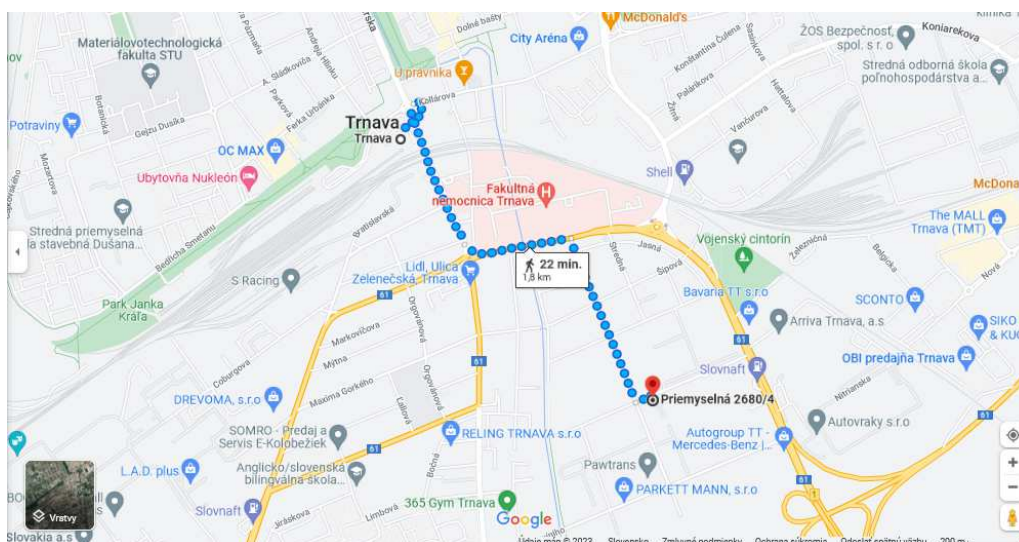
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- walking: 22 mins (see the map)
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