



CET Guidelines for Students: Prague

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." - Benjamin Franklin

Preparedness

- Register with the Embassy (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program) <https://travelregistration.state.gov>.
- Carry **your passport** with you at all times. This is the law in the Czech Republic.
- Carry your Emergency Contact Card with you at all times.
- Carry your insurance card with you at all times.
- Carry your Charles University or FAMU student ID card with you at all times.
- Always keep a charged cell phone with you. Store your RD's phone number in your phone.
- Know where the main exits and fire extinguishers are in your apartment.
- **Remember to dial 112**, Europe's equivalent of 911. Service is in English. (The Czech emergency number is 158.)

Awareness

- Always pay attention to your surroundings.
- Only take taxis clearly identified with official markings. It is always safest to wait in line at airports and train stations for licensed taxis.
- Do not take unmarked taxis or accept rides from strangers.
- Do not give personal details—including your cell phone number—to strangers.
- Guard your wallet, bags/purses and other valuables.
- Be vigilant near traffic, especially when crossing the street.
- Steer clear of public demonstrations and other civil disturbances.
- Report suspicious behavior or other concerns on campus to CET on-site staff.
- Read the "Threats to Safety and Security" and "Crime" sections of the US State Department website for the Czech Republic: <http://travel.state.gov/travel/>

Alcohol & Recreational Drugs

- Limit your time in bars and nightclubs frequented by foreigners
- Drink responsibly. **Avoid intoxication**, because it impedes your awareness and makes you a target.
- Never accept drinks from strangers or leave your drink unattended.
- Recreational drug use is illegal, unsafe, and will result in expulsion from the program. It can also result in imprisonment and/or deportation.

Health and Safety

- If you ride a bicycle, **wear a helmet**.
- Do not engage in dangerous activities, e.g. hang-gliding, skydiving, bungee-jumping, and riding horses, motorcycles, scooters, and electric bicycles.
- Be on the lookout for open manhole covers, open construction sites, weak railings, intoxicated people, unsealed bottles, and beggars and stalkers.

General

- Be respectful of your host country and its culture.
- Keep a low profile and avoid loud conversations or arguments.
- Adopt a non-confrontational attitude; never get physical.
- Keep your door locked when in the apartment; keep valuables locked away.
- Do not go out alone at night.
- Do not travel alone overnight.
- If you travel outside of Prague, let the CET on-site staff know in advance and be sure to take your cell phone with you.

If you get into any kind of trouble, or need any kind of help, call CET on-site staff.

I have read the above safety guidelines and I understand them.

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____