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Based on the implementation of the standards of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education, the Matej Bel University Faculty of Arts Dean's Board adopted on 8 February 2021 and on 22 March 2021 resolutions on **the adjustment of the study programme offer** for the 2021/2022 academic year.

The Dean's Board approved on 22 March 2021 **an extension to the deadline for applications to bachelor's degree study programmes listed below until 30 April 2021** – with the exception of the second round (1–31 May 2021) for Teaching of Physical Education, Teaching of Physical Education (combination study), Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching, Applied Ethnology.

At the same time, the Board **cancelled the entrance exams for all bachelor's degree study programmes** offered.

Application deadlines:

First round:

by 28 February 2021

– for the following bachelor's degree programmes:
Teaching of Physical Education, Teaching of Physical Education (combination study), Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching

by 30 April 2021

by 30 April 2021

by 15 May 2021

by 30 September 2021

– for other bachelor's degree programmes
– for master's degree programmes
– for doctoral programmes
– for post-master's rigorosum examinations

Second round:

1–31 May 2021

– for the following bachelor's degree programmes:
Teaching of Physical Education, Teaching of Physical Education (combination study), Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching, Applied Ethnology

Entrance examination dates:

First round:

Second round:

entrance examinations cancelled

Open days:

November 2020

February 2021

Application fees:

€30.00 bachelor's studies/€20.00 via e-application

€20.00 master's studies/€15.00 via e-application

€50.00 doctoral studies/€45.00 via e-application

Payable to:**1. For payments originating in the EU:**

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Bank: **Štátna pokladnica**, Radlinského 32, 810 05 Bratislava 15IBAN: **SK75 8180 0000 0070 0009 5590**SWIFT/BIC: **SPSRSKBA**Variable symbol: **3031** bachelor's studies**3032** master's studies**3033** doctoral studiesConstant symbol: **0308**Specific symbol: applicants with Slovak citizenship – **birth number**foreign applicants – **birthdate in DDDMMYY format**Note for beneficiary: **Applicant's full name****2. For payments originating in third countries:**

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Faculty	Programme/combination of programmes	Form of study	Degree earned	Duration of study	Place of study	Planned number of students
Field of study Teacher Training and Education Science						
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of French Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10

FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Music (**)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of German Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Russian Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	15
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of French Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of French Language and Literature and Teaching of Russian Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of History and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of History and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of German Language and Literature and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of German Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of German Language and Literature and Teaching of Russian Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of Russian Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of French Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Music (**)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of German Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Russian Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Biology (*)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	15
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Geography (*)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	25

FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Informatics (*)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Mathematics (*)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Technology (*)	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	50
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Teacher Training and Education Science and field of study Sport Sciences						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	60
Field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	Applied Ethnology	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	Ethnology – History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
Field of study Philology						
FA	Slovak Language and Literature	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Slovak for the Linguistic and Cultural Competence of International Students	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	50
Translation Programmes						
FA	English for Translation in the Commercial Sector	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	German Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	English Language and Culture – French Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	15
FA	English Language and Culture – German Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	15
FA	English Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	French Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	German Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – English Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – French Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – German Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philology and field of study Philosophy						
FA	English Language and Culture – Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10

FA	Slovak Language and Literature – Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	Philosophy – French Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Philosophy – German Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philology and field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	English Language and Culture – History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	French Language and Culture – History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	5
FA	History – German Language and Culture	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philosophy and field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	Philosophy – History	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Ethnology – Philosophy	Day	Bachelor	3	Banská Bystrica	3
Total number of applicants to be accepted for day bachelor's programmes						573
Field of study Teacher Training and Education Science						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education	External	Bachelor	4	Banská Bystrica	20
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Teacher Training and Education Science and field of study Sport Sciences						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching	External	Bachelor	4	Banská Bystrica	20
Field of study Philology						
FA	English Language and Culture	External	Bachelor	4	Banská Bystrica	20
Total number of applicants to be accepted for external bachelor's programmes						60
Field of study Teacher Training and Education Science						
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of French Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of German Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of the Russian Language	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	5

FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	7
FA	Teaching of English Language and Literature and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of History and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of History and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Teaching of Russian Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Philosophy	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of French Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of German Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Russian Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature and Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Biology (*)	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Geography (*)	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Informatics (*)	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Mathematics (*)	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Teaching of Technology (*)	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
FA	Teaching of Physical Education	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	15
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Teacher Training and Education Science and field of study Sport Sciences						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	30
Field of study Philosophy						
FA	Philosophical Studies	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica, Ostrava, Katowice	5
Field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3

FA	Central European Historical Studies	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica, Ostrava, Katowice	5
Field of study Philology						
FA	Slovak Language and Literature	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	2
Translation Programmes						
FA	German Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	English Language and Culture – French Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	English Language and Culture – German Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	10
FA	English Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	20
FA	French Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	German Language and Culture – Russian Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
FA	Slovak Language and Literature – English Language and Culture	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	5
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philology and field of study Philosophy						
FA	English Language and Culture – Philosophy	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philology and field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	English Language and Culture – History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Philosophy and field of study Historical Sciences						
FA	Philosophy – History	Day	Master	2	Banská Bystrica	3
Total number of applicants to be accepted for day master's programmes						242
Field of study Teacher Training and Education Science						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education	External	Master	3	Banská Bystrica	10
Interdisciplinary programmes combining field of study Teacher Training and Education Science and field of study Sport Sciences						
FA	Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching	External	Master	3	Banská Bystrica	10
Field of study Philology						
FA	English Language and Culture	External	Master	3	Banská Bystrica	10
Total number of applicants to be accepted for external master's programmes						30
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICANTS TO BE ACCEPTED						977

Notes:

(*) Interfaculty study with the MBU Faculty of Natural Sciences

(**) Interfaculty study with the MBU Faculty of Education

In day programmes, courses will combine in-class instruction and self-study.

In the event of a small number of applicants to a programme, the faculty reserves the right not to open a given programme and, as circumstances allow, offer applicants enrolment in a related programme.

If the number of accepted applicants in a programme is smaller than the planned number for admission, the faculty reserves the right to waive the entrance examination.

Doctoral studies

Faculty	Programme	Form of study	Degree earned	Duration of study	Place of study
Field of study Philosophy					
FA	Systematic Philosophy	Day	PhD.	3	Banská Bystrica
FA	Systematic Philosophy	External	PhD.	4	Banská Bystrica
Field of study Philology					
FA	Translatology	Day	PhD.	3	Banská Bystrica
FA	Translatology	External	PhD.	4	Banská Bystrica
FA	General Linguistics	Day	PhD.	3	Banská Bystrica
FA	General Linguistics	External	PhD.	4	Banská Bystrica
Field of study Historical Sciences					
FA	Slovak history	Day	PhD.	3	Banská Bystrica
FA	Slovak history	External	PhD.	4	Banská Bystrica
Field of study Sport Sciences					
FA	Sports Educology	Day	PhD.	3	Banská Bystrica
FA	Sports Educology	External	PhD.	4	Banská Bystrica

ADMISSIONS

General information on the admissions process (bachelor's and master's degree programmes)

For all applicants, the admissions process begins by submitting an **electronic or printed application**. Applicants may apply for multiple programmes, but they must submit a **separate application** for **each programme** they apply to. There is no limit on the number of submitted applications.

If applicants apply via electronic application, they are also obliged to send a printed application to the faculty. The printed application must be filled in, **personally signed** and include all required enclosures. **An electronic application without a printed counterpart** received by the admissions office is **invalid**.

The application must include:

- the applicant's CV
- a notarized copy of the applicant's secondary school leaving examination certificate (applies to applicants for bachelor's programmes who have completed secondary school)
- a notarized copy of the applicant's bachelor's-level state examination diploma (applies to applicants for master's programmes who have completed their bachelor's studies)
- a copy of the proof of payment for the application fee (paid via bank transfer)
- a certificate of fitness from a doctor (applies to physical education programmes)

- specifically required enclosures for the programmes Slovak for the Linguistic and Cultural Competence of International Students and Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching

Applicants for bachelor's programmes who are taking their secondary school leaving examination in the same year as they are applying and are applying for a programme with no entrance examination must deliver **a notarized copy of their secondary school leaving examination certificate** to the faculty's admissions office by **13 June 2021**.

Applicants for master's programmes must deliver, without written notice from the faculty, **a notarized copy of their diploma and bachelor's degree state examination certificate** to the faculty's admissions office by **15 July 2021**.

Applicants who do not present any evidence of meeting the basic admission requirements by the given deadline will be **accepted conditionally**. Applicants are obliged to present a notarized copy of a secondary school leaving examination certificate (applicants for bachelor's programmes)/a notarized copy of a diploma and bachelor's degree state examination certificate (applicants for master's programmes) **by the day of enrolment at the very latest**; otherwise they cannot begin their studies.

Applicants who have completed a previous level of education abroad are obliged to prove the recognition of any education certificate obtained outside the Slovak Republic. The admitted applicant is obliged to present proof of recognition for their education certificate no later than the day of enrolment.

The syllabi for entrance examinations, including the extent of the required knowledge, abilities and skills along with a recommended reading list, will be sent by the faculty's admissions office along with the entrance examination invitation.

The results of the entrance examination will be evaluated electronically unless stated otherwise for a specific programme. The results of the entrance examination will be announced on the faculty website.

If an applicant is absent from the entrance examination for serious medical reasons, half the admission fee will be refunded upon the delivery of a written refund request to the faculty's admissions office. The request must be postmarked before the date of the entrance examination (determined by the posting date of the post office). No other reasons for the admission fee refund are considered valid; **therefore it is impossible to claim a refund for the remainder of the fee**.

Basic admission requirements for bachelor's studies:

- completed secondary-school education or secondary vocational education with a school-leaving certificate
- meeting the requirements of the admission proceedings
- for physical education programmes: a doctor's confirmation of the applicant's fitness for study

Basic admission requirements for master's studies:

- completed bachelor's studies in the field of study which the chosen master's programme proceeds from, or in an interdisciplinary programme that includes such a field of study.
- meeting the requirements of the admission proceedings
- for physical education programmes: a doctor's confirmation of the applicant's fitness for study

Basic admission requirements for foreign students:

- successful passing of the entrance examination

- Slovak language proficiency at the **B2 level** according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (the only programme with no expectation of Slovak language is Slovak for the Linguistic and Cultural Competence of International Students)
- confirmation of acceptance of the applicant’s certificate of education completed abroad at the required level of education (with the exception of certificates from the Czech Republic, for which a confirmation is not needed)

Admission requirements for bachelor’s studies

Bachelor’s Degree Teaching Programmes

Teaching of English Language and Literature

Entrance examinations for the programme Teaching of English Language and Literature are administered for those programme combinations which receive more applicants than their planned enrolment number.

The written entrance examination is focused on grammar, vocabulary and practical communication skills. Applicants must earn at least a 60% mark on the examination to be accepted. To earn the maximum score for English language proficiency in the admission proceedings (without taking the entrance examination), the applicants must present a certificate obtained by completing at least one of the following examinations:

- IELTS – International English Language Testing System – minimum level 6.5
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, Certificate in Advanced English
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, Certificate of Proficiency in English
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, First Certificate in English – result A
- secondary school leaving examination from the English language – level B2, external portion minimum 85% mark + oral portion – result “excellent (A)”

Teaching of French Language and Literature – no entrance examination

French language proficiency at the **A2 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a precondition for studying French language and literature in all teaching programmes.

If the number of applicants exceeds the admission plan for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants who present a certificate (notarized copy) demonstrating successful completion of at least one of the following examinations:

- a DELF (B2 level) or DALF (C1 level or higher) French language diploma
- secondary school leaving examination in the French language – B2 level with the result “excellent (A)”
- for graduates from French bilingual schools – the results of the oral and written portion of the secondary school leaving examination with the result “excellent (A)” or “very good (B)”
- first-to-third place at the French Language Olympiad (either in the regional or national round)
- state examination in the French language issued by the State Language School

The faculty reserves the right to select applicants who do not submit the above credentials according to the average mark from their school-leaving examination.

Teaching of German Language and Literature – no entrance examination

German language proficiency at the **B1 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a precondition for studying the German language and literature in all teaching programmes.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Teaching of Russian Language and Literature – no entrance examination

Russian language proficiency at the **A1 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a precondition for studying the Russian language and literature in all teaching programmes.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Teaching of History – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Teaching of Philosophy – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Teaching of Physical Education – aptitude test

- Ability testing:
 1. endurance – 1500 m run
 2. dynamic strength – repeated turns around an overhead horizontal bar (men)
– repeated turns around a forehead-high horizontal bar (women)
- Skill testing:
 1. athletics – 50 m run
 2. aerobic gymnastics – individual acrobatic routine with required elements (handstand – forward roll, dive roll from place, backwards back extension roll, cartwheel)
 3. team sport (choice between basketball and volleyball) – evaluation of in-game performance
 4. swimming – 100 m either front crawl or breaststroke, starting jump (any other swimming style is evaluated according to the crawl performance charts)

Bonuses

- A bonus of **60%** of the number of points earned in the admission proceedings will only be assigned to students who have participated in the Olympic Games (demonstrated by a certificate from the Slovak Olympic Committee).
- A bonus of **30%** of the number of points earned in the admission proceedings will only be assigned to students who have participated in the World Championships or the European Championships (adults or juniors) in Olympic sports according to the categorization of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic, ranked at least tenth place and present a certificate from the authorized sports federation as proof. The

certificate must accompany the printed application form or be presented in person at the entrance examination during registration.

- A bonus of **10%** of the number of points obtained in the admission proceedings will only be assigned to students who have participated in the World Championships or the European Championships (adults or juniors) in non-Olympic sports according to the categorization of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic, ranked at least third place and present a certificate from the authorized sports association as proof. The certificate must accompany the printed application form or be presented in person at the entrance examination during registration.

The bonus will be added to the applicant's overall score after completing the admission aptitude tests, but only up to a maximum total of 100 points.

Applicants who apply for two programmes at the Department of Physical Educations and Sports FA MBU can only undergo the aptitude test once; the results achieved will be taken into consideration in both programmes.

Bachelor's Degree Non-teaching Programmes

Applied Ethnology – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Ethnology (only as part of interdisciplinary programmes) – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Philosophy (only as part of interdisciplinary programmes) – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

History – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Slovak Language and Literature – no entrance examination

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Slovak for the Linguistic and Cultural Competence of International Students – no entrance examination

The programme is aimed at studying Slovak language by foreign students. The basic requirement of admission for the bachelor's programme is a completed secondary school education or vocational education at the equivalent level of the Slovak secondary education system and its requirements. Applications for this programme must include a **letter of motivation** in English no longer than one standard page. If the applicant does not provide a

letter of motivation by the application deadline, their application will be considered invalid. The admissions committee decides the order in which applicants are admitted based on an anonymous evaluation of their letters of motivation.

Bachelor's Degree Translation Programmes:

English Language and Culture

English for Translation in the Commercial Sector (only accredited at the bachelor's level)

Entrance examinations for combination programmes that include English Language and Culture are administered for those programme combinations which receive more applicants than their planned enrolment number.

The written form of entrance examination is focused on grammar, vocabulary, basic knowledge of British and American literature and history, and the cultures and institutions of anglophone countries. To earn the maximum score for English language proficiency in the admission proceedings (without taking the entrance examination), the applicants must present a certificate obtained by completing at least one of the following examinations:

- IELTS – International English Language Testing System – minimum level 6.5
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, Certificate in Advanced English
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, Certificate of Proficiency in English
- University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations, First Certificate in English – result A
- external part of the secondary school leaving examination from the English language – level B2 minimum of 85% + oral form of the internal portion – result “excellent (A)”
- successful completion of the English language exam as part of National Comparative Exams (NCE). Successful completion of the NCE is defined as a minimum percentile of 85. The applicant need not document the results of the NCE; however, they must include written consent to making their NCE results available to the faculty at www.scio.cz/nsz in their application form.

French Language and Culture – no entrance examination

French language proficiency at the **A2 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a requirement for all translation programmes in French Language and Culture.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants who present a certificate (notarized copy) demonstrating successful completion of at least one of the following examinations:

- a DELF (B2 level) or DALF (C1 level or higher) French language diploma
- secondary school leaving examination in the French language – B2 level with the result “excellent (A)”
- for graduates from French bilingual schools – the results of the oral and written portion of the secondary school leaving examination with the result “excellent (A)” or “very good (B)”
- first-to-third place at the French Language Olympiad (either in the regional or national round)
- state examination in the French language issued by the State Language School

The faculty reserves the right to select applicants who do not submit the above credentials according to the average mark from their school-leaving examination.

German Language and Culture – no entrance examination

German language proficiency at the **B1 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a requirement for all translation programmes in German Language and Culture.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

Russian Language and Culture – no entrance examination

Russian language proficiency at the **A1 level** or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a precondition for all translation programmes in Russian Language and Culture.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned enrolment for the programme, the faculty reserves the right to select applicants according to their averaged results from the secondary school leaving examination.

All study programmes (except for Slovak for the Linguistic and Cultural Competence of International Students) require Slovak language proficiency at the B2 level or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

Interdisciplinary programme:

Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching

Applicants will be accepted according to the results of aptitude tests and after meeting the selection criteria for individual specializations.

Aptitude test – the conditions of the *Teaching of Physical Education* programme also apply to this programme.

Selection criteria for individual sport specializations:

Athletics

- registered membership in the Slovak Athletic Federation (SAZ)
- ranking at least third place at the Regional Championships or first-degree coaching qualifications

Basketball

- registered membership in the Slovak Basketball Association (SBA)
- an active player at the regional championships level or higher, or a holder of second-degree coaching qualifications

Biathlon (day form only at the bachelor's level)

- registered membership in the Slovak Biathlon Association
- a member of the national team of the Slovak Republic, or a holder of third-degree coaching qualifications or higher

Football (only at the bachelor's level)

- registered membership in the Slovak Football Association (SFZ)
- an active player at the regional level or higher (attach a screenshot from www.futbalnet.sk) or a holder of a Grassroots C football license (attach a screenshot from www.futbalnet.sk)
- a confirmation of athletic performance level is not required

Judo

- registered membership in the Slovak Judo Federation
- an active contestant/participant in the Slovak Championships or a holder of second-degree coaching qualifications

Karate

- registered membership in the Slovak Karate Union (SZK)
- participation in national competitions over the past two years and the third Kyu level of technical expertise in karate or first-degree coaching qualifications

Kickboxing

- registered membership in the Slovak Kickboxing Union (SZKB)
- participation in the national competitions and ranking the medal position in the Slovak Championships or the holder of first-degree coaching qualifications

Fitness Coach

- level of performance demonstrated at least by participation in Slovak Individual Sports Championships or the national team-sports competition, in a sport other than those offered as specializations (included in this list), or first-degree coaching qualifications

Ice Hockey

- registered membership in the Slovak Ice Hockey Association (SZLH)
- a former or active player in at least the first youth league, the first junior league or the second adult league, or a holder of first-degree coaching qualifications (a D-category trainer's licence according to the SZLH)

Swimming

- registered membership in the Slovak Swimming Federation (SPF)
- an active contestant with participation in at least the Regional Slovak Championships or a holder of first-degree coaching qualifications

Snowboarding

- registered membership in the Slovak Ski Association (SLA) – Ski Jump Section
- a member of the national team of the Slovak Republic or a holder of at least second-degree coaching qualifications

Aerobic Gymnastics

- registered membership in the Slovak Gymnastics Federation (SGF)
- active participant at the regional level or higher, or a holder of first-degree coaching qualifications

Hiking

- registered membership in the Slovak Hiking Club
- a minimum of two years of active participation in a legitimate organisation or first-degree instructor qualifications

Volleyball

- registered membership in the Slovak Volleyball Association
- an active player in at least the second league or a holder of second-degree coaching qualifications

Weightlifting

- registered membership in the Slovak Weightlifting Federation
- an active contestant/participant in the Slovak Championships or a holder of second-degree coaching qualifications

Wrestling

- registered membership in the Slovak Wrestling Federation
- an active contestant, participant in the Slovak Championships or a holder of second-degree coaching qualifications

Alpine Skiing

- registered membership in the Slovak Ski Association (SLA) – Alpine Skiing Section
- a member of the national team of the Slovak Republic or a holder of at least second-degree coaching qualifications

For foreign students, membership in a legitimate national association and adequate performance at the national level are accepted.

Applicants must fulfil the stated criteria to be accepted for study. Along with their application, applicants must include a completed **Confirmation of the Applicant's Athletic Performance Level for the Study of Coaching at the MBU FA Department of Physical Education and Sports** (except for those specializing in Football).

- 1) Applicants who submit the required confirmation **for a sport specialization** other than those offered will be automatically redirected to the **Fitness Coach** specialization (see the Fitness Coach section).
- 2) If an applicant **does not fulfil the stated criteria**, their application will be automatically redirected to the **Teaching of Physical Education** field of study.
- 3) If an applicant **does not include the required confirmation with their application form**, their application will be automatically redirected to the **Teaching of Physical Education** field of study.

Bonuses – the preconditions of the Teaching of Physical Education programme also apply to this programme. The external form of study in the Physical Education and Coaching or Physical Education programmes may be offered to applicants who are not admitted to the day programmes due to lack of space.)

Admission requirements for master's degree study

Applicants will be accepted to all master's degree programmes without an entrance examination.

If the number of applicants exceeds the planned number of students in a given programme, they will be selected based on the results of their bachelor's degree state exams.

Applicants to **master's programmes in teaching** must have completed a bachelor's programme in the field of study Teacher Training and Education Science (before 1 September 2019 – Teaching of Academic Subjects, Teaching of Arts Education and Non-Academic Subjects, or Teaching of Vocational Subjects and Practical Training) or in an interdisciplinary programme that includes such a field of study.

The following sport specializations will be available under the **Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching** programme: Aerobic Gymnastics, Alpine Skiing, Athletics, Basketball, Biathlon (external form), Fitness Coaching, Hiking, Ice Hockey, Judo, Karate, Kickboxing, Swimming, Snowboarding, Volleyball, Weightlifting and Wrestling. The Faculty of Arts is not currently offering the specialization Football at the master's level.

Applicants to the multidisciplinary programme Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching must:

- have passed the bachelor's degree state examination in the programme that includes physical education courses and a core curriculum in pedagogy and psychology
- have completed the same specialization at the bachelor's level as they intend to choose at the master's level
- have valid fourth-degree qualifications in their chosen sport specialization

Master's programmes in the field of study Philology

For master's programmes in translation (philology), students will be admitted who hold a bachelor's degree in the same field of study or combination thereof and meet the following language proficiency requirements:

English Language and Culture – level C1 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

French Language and Culture – level B2 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

German Language and Culture – level C1 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Russian Language and Culture – level B2 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Admission requirements for doctoral studies

According to Section 56 (3) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll., completion of a master's degree programme or a programme regulated by Section 53 (3) is a basic requirement for admission. Further admission requirements are specified individually for every programme pursuant to Section 57 (1) (see www.ff.umb.sk/en – Admission and study – Postgradual degree).

Applicants must register for one of the doctoral dissertation topics listed under individual programmes.

The entrance examination takes place before the committee appointed by the Dean of the MBU Faculty of Arts. During the entrance examination, the applicant must demonstrate the ability to engage in independent creative activity in the specific field of study and in relation to the doctoral dissertation topic they wish to register for.

Requirements for post-master's rigorosum examinations

Master's degree holders may take a post-master's "rigorosum" examination, which includes a dissertation defence in the field of their university studies or a related field. To successfully complete the rigorosum exam and dissertation defence, the candidate must demonstrate, by means of an original work of scholarship, a deep understanding of and broad grounding in their field of study, an ability to independently assimilate new findings from research and practice, and an ability to put their acquired knowledge into practice in a creative manner.

Post-master's "rigorosum" examinations are available in accredited master's degree programmes in the following fields of study:

Teacher Training and Education Science in the programmes:

- Teaching of English Language and Literature
- Teaching of History
- Teaching of Philosophy
- Teaching of French Language and Literature
- Teaching of German Language and Literature
- Teaching of Russian Language and Literature
- Teaching of Slovak Language and Literature
- Teaching of Physical Education

Teacher Training, Education Science and Sport Sciences in the programme:

- Teaching of Physical Education and Coaching

Philosophy in the programmes:

- Philosophy

Historical Sciences in the programme:

- History

Philology in the programmes:

- English Language and Culture
- French Language and Culture
- German Language and Culture
- Italian Language and Culture
- Russian Language and Culture
- Spanish Language and Culture
- Slovak Language and Literature

Upon successful completion of both their rigorous dissertation defence and the oral examination, the candidate will receive:

- a) the academic title “doctor of pedagogy” (abbreviated as “PaedDr.”) in a programme from one of the following fields of study: Teacher Training and Education Science and Sport Sciences,
or
- b) the academic title “doctor of philosophy” (abbreviated as “PhDr.”) in a programme from one of the following fields of study: Philology, Philosophy and Historical Sciences.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEAL OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS

For accommodation, university residence halls are available to students of the Faculty of Arts of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica. Meals are offered by student canteens.

OUR GRADUATES ON THE LABOUR MARKET

Graduates of **bachelor’s-level teaching programmes** are primarily prepared to successfully continue their studies in the corresponding master’s programme or a related programme.

Graduates of **master’s-level teaching programmes** are qualified to teach at the second level of primary school and at all types of secondary schools and eight-year grammar schools, as well as language and art schools. Their theoretical knowledge can also be utilised in social, cultural, public-awareness and physical-education institutions as well as on editorial boards, in advertising companies, in research institutions and in the commercial sector.

Students of **bachelor’s-level non-teaching programmes** can work in the state, public or private sector as experts in the area of their programme of study, or continue their studies in the corresponding master’s programme or a related programme.

Graduates of **master’s-level non-teaching programmes** are prepared to work in management positions in spheres such as social institutions, diplomacy, foreign trade, tourism, culture, educational institutions and EU institutions.

The Faculty of Arts of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica has one of the highest employment rates for graduates in humanities and philosophy among Slovak university faculties.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Pursuant to Section 100 of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and the Amendment of Certain Laws, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica is a **universally accessible academic environment** with corresponding admission requirements for applicants and students with special needs, but **with equally high expectations of their academic performance**. In accordance with the above-mentioned law, special-needs students are considered to be those with:

- a) a sensory or physical disability, or multiple disabilities
- b) a chronic illness
- c) impaired health
- d) a mental illness
- e) autism or another pervasive developmental disorder
- f) a learning disability


Before applying for university study, applicants with special needs should:

1. Consider whether they meet the demands of university study in terms of:
 - a) knowledge
 - b) technological and personal preparedness and motivation
 - c) the demands of the content, extent and form of study chosen
 - d) the requirements stated by the faculty
 - e) limitations resulting from a disability
2. Contact the faculty coordinator for students with special needs.
3. Submit a report from an expert, e.g. doctor, psychologist, speech therapist, school psychology, school speech therapist or special-needs educator (more information can be found
4. Fill out the **Application for prospective students with special needs on the alteration of the form and manner of the admission examination** with the appropriate professional documentation demonstrating the applicant's specific needs (if the admission proceedings include an examination).

The final decision to enrol in the chosen programme is made by the applicant. By making this decision, the applicant assumes responsibility for the potential risk that they may not be able to continue in their studies.

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