



**FACULTY
OF EDUCATION**
Masaryk University



Dear Colleague,

You are cordially invited to participate in the ***Masaryk University Faculty of Education's International Integration Symposium 2017*** to be held in Brno, Czech Republic from Wednesday, April 26th – 28th. The general theme of the conference is **“International cooperation, partnerships and inclusiveness in internationalization”**.

The symposium is being organized in cooperation with the University of Minnesota, USA. Guest speakers include **Gayle Woodruff (Director of System-wide Internationalization at UMN)** and **Christopher Johnstone (Assistant Professor of International Development)** from the University of Minnesota.

The symposium will highlight effective ways in which higher education institutions can integrate international students into their curricula. The conversations will draw from research but will be focused on practical approaches for universities and other higher education organizations that are embracing internationalization. The speakers will provide leadership for initiatives aimed at faculty development, campus internationalization, and the evaluation and assessment of internationalization strategies.

1. Opening Event: Learning symposium with Reception

When: Wednesday, April 26th

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Learning Symposium**

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Reception**

Where: TBA

2. Interactive Seminar and Networking for international educators: international relations officers, ERASMUS coordinators, international educators, vice-deans of internationalization

When: Thursday, April 27th

9:00 am – 11:00 am **Workshop on Inclusive practices in Internationalization**

11:00 am – 12:00 pm **Networking**

Where: Galerie RUV, PdF MU, Poříčí 9

3. Faculty of Education WORKSHOP: PdF academics and non-academics, students as well as representatives of (ERASMUS) international partners

When: Friday, April 28th

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Deans Office, PdF MU, Poříčí 7/9

Optional Program for International partners:
(11:00 am – 01:30 pm Business Research Forum 2017 at MU, in Czech)

Participants will include representatives from the Czech government, international organizations, and universities that are embracing internationalization on their campuses.

Please extend this invitation to members and staff of your University or Organization that will benefit from attending the conference. **Please note that we must limit the number of participants from any one organization/department to 2 persons.**

All participants are required to RSVP at: <https://tinyurl.com/kezthuf> and indicate which events they wish to participate in no later than Sunday, April 9th. Those who have not RSVP-ed will not be allowed to participate.

Hotel Options:

- Hotel Austerlitz, Táborského nábřeží 3; 1.600 CZK/night;
- University Hotel Garni, Vinařská 470/5c; 1.000 CZK/night
- Hotel Cyro, Annenská 9; 1.800 CZK/night

Please note – prices may vary from one provider to another. We recommend that you to book the room well in advance as the week of Apr 24th is a busy Trade Fair week. The Masaryk University **cannot** assist in/reimburse you for arrangements for travel and accommodation, as well as all expenses related to participating in the Conference. These expenses must be provided for entirely by the participants or their sponsoring organizations.

The event has been made possible by grants from the US Embassy, Prague, Masaryk University, the Ministry of Education Erasmus+ Program.

We look forward to your participation in the ***International Integration Symposium 2017.***

Sincerely,

Eva Janebová, Ph.D. on behalf of Dean of Faculty of Education, Masaryk University Assoc. Prof.
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For health reasons, we ask that you kindly do not wear or use perfume, cologne, or other strongly scented products during any of the events.