A first-rate PhD program. The fact that CERGE-EI has such high quality students with such diverse backgrounds makes it unique in the world.”

Joseph Stiglitz
Professor, Columbia University
Nobel Laureate in Economics

About CERGE-EI

First-rate research
- Faculty publish in top research journals
- Research seminars, public lectures delivered by leading economists
- Students often join in faculty research projects as full partners
- Students and faculty are successful in international grant competitions

Diverse community
- Students from more than 52 countries with a variety of backgrounds: economics, mathematics, physics, computer science, and business
- Faculty members from more than 17 countries
- Reading groups, coffee breaks, food parties, student trips, sports club events, Graduation Gala, Economics Discovery Hub

Unique location
- In the center of Prague, a 5-minute walk from Wenceslas Square
- Beautiful study environment in the historic Schebek Palace
- Excellent facilities: Jan Kmenta Library, Digital Media Center, Student Club and lounges

PhD in Economics

Study for a Czech and US degree in the heart of Europe

Charles University is among the top 100 universities in economics by the 2019 Global Ranking of Academic Subjects.

Research Papers in Economics (RePEc) ranks CERGE-EI in the top 5% of economic departments/research institutions worldwide.

Alumni live and work in more than 32 countries.

Wenceslas Square

Alumni employed in more than 32 countries worldwide
3:1 student-faculty ratio
All PhD students receive financial support toward living costs for 4 years

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About the program

• High-quality program modelled on top Western PhD programs
• Integrated MA degree: 2 years of coursework and preparation for independent research
• Small-scale program: collaborative exchange of knowledge and individual approach
• Opportunities for research stays at prestigious universities worldwide
• Academic Skills Center support: English language and communication skills
• Financial support and no tuition fees, plus performance stipends

Career prospects

• Graduates employed worldwide
• International careers in academia
• Research positions in public policy institutions (government ministries, central banks) and international organizations
• Placement opportunities in private sector positions (banks, insurance companies and consulting firms)
• Job market preparation and placement assistance

Orientation Week

• Registration of students
• Optional Preparatory sessions (Mathematics, Matlab)
• Social events

Year 1

• Coursework
• Core General Exams

Year 2

• Coursework
• Field General Exams
• Dissertation Methodology Seminar
• Assistantship

Year 3

• Dissertation Proposal Workshop
• Research Seminar Series
• Teaching
• Research Stay Abroad

Year 4

• Dissertation Workshop
• Research Stay Abroad
• Research Seminar Series
• Teaching
• Dissertation Thesis Defense

Admissions

Deadline: 31 March

Requirements

• Strong background in mathematics
• Proficiency in spoken and written English
• Previous education in economics highly recommended
• Completed BA or MA degree or equivalent