

Description of the study programme – outline¹

Name of the higher education institution: University of Prešov (UP)

Address of the higher education institution: Ul. 17. novembra č.15, 08001 Prešov

Identification number of the higher education institution: 717000000

Name of the faculty: Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences (FHNS)

Address of the faculty: 17. novembra 1, 08001 Prešov

Institution body for approving the study programme: Board for the Internal Quality Assurance System of the University of Presov in Presov and Board for Quality of FHNS UP

Date of the study programme approval or the study programme modification:

Date of the latest change² in the study programme description:

Reference to the results of the latest periodic review of the study programme by the institution:

Reference to the assessment report of the application for accreditation of the study programme under § 30 of Act no. 269/2018 Coll.³:

1. Basic information about the study programme

- a) Name of the study program and its number according to the register of study programmes.
Regional Geography and Regional Development, UIPŠ code: 1303V02
- b) Degree of higher education and ISCED-F education degree code.
3rd degree (PhD.), ISCED2011 code: 864
- c) Place(s) of delivery of the study programme.
717000000 University of Prešov / 717050000 Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences
- d) Name and number of the field of study in which higher education is obtained by completing the study programme, or a combination of two fields of study in which higher education is obtained by completing the study programme, ISCED-F codes of the field/fields⁴.
1217V00 *Earth Sciences*, ISCED-F code: 864 0532 *Earth Sciences*
- e) Type of the study programme: academically oriented, professionally oriented; translation, translation combination study programme (listing the specializations); teaching, teaching combination study programme (listing the specializations); artistic, engineering, doctoral, preparation for regulated profession, joint study programme, interdisciplinary studies.
Academically oriented
- f) Awarded academic degree.
PhD.
- g) Form of study⁵.
External study
- h) In the case of joint study programmes, cooperating institutions and the range of study obligations the student fulfills at each of the given institutions (§ 54a of the Act on Higher Education Institutions).
The study programme is not shared with another university.
- i) Language or languages in which the study programme is delivered⁶.
Slovak language
- j) Standard length of the study expressed in academic years.
5 years
- k) Capacity of the study programme (planned number of students), the actual number of applicants and students.
The capacity for external PhD studies is up to 10 students.
Number of applicants: 0
Number of students: 1

¹ The institution compiles a description of the study programme as an annex to the application for accreditation of the study programme.

- When submitting an application pursuant to § 30 (1) of Act no. 269/2018 Coll. the higher education institution states in the description only the data available at the time of application.

- Once the accreditation (or the internal approval of the study programme by the institution programme approval authority with the right to design programmes within the given field and degree) has been granted, the institution permanently makes the description available to the stakeholders of the study programme.

- The institution may choose the form of processing, visualization, and publication of the description, suitable for students, teachers and another users.

- In individual parts of the description, the institution may refer to another internal document that sufficiently describes the relevant area and is publicly available.

- In individual parts of the description, the institution may refer to a place in the information system which contains the relevant up-to-date information.

- The institution ensures that the description is up-to-date (if the change in the description is in the nature of a modification of the study programme and the change is made in accordance with § 30 (9) of Act No. 269/2018 Coll., the institution makes the change and publishes it only after approval by the Agency).

² If the change is not a modification of the study programme according to § 30 of Act no. 269/2018 Coll.

³ It is stated only if the accreditation of the study programme has been granted according to § 30 of Act no. 269/2018 Coll.

⁴ According to the International Standard Classification of Education. Fields of Education and Practice 2013.

⁵ According to § 60 of Act no. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions.

⁶ It means the languages in which all learning outcomes are achieved and all related courses of the study programme as well as the state examinations are carried out. The institution independently provides information on the possibility of partial study parts/courses in other languages in part 4 of the description.

2. Graduate profile and learning objectives

- a) The institution defines the learning objectives of the study programme such as student's abilities at the time of completion of the programme and the main learning outcomes⁷.

<https://www.minedu.sk/slovensky-kvalifikacny-ramec-a-narodna-sustava-kvalifikacii/>

The level of qualification that students obtain on successful completion is clearly specified and communicated in the programme of study, whereby the qualification corresponds to the appropriate level of education according to the Qualifications Framework. The objectives and measurable learning outcomes correspond to the level of the Slovak National Qualifications Framework in the European Higher Education Area: tertiary level - PhD, level SKKR 8.

Proof of qualification is a university diploma, a certificate of state examination and a diploma supplement.

In accordance with the Slovak National Qualifications Framework (SKKR level 8), a PhD graduate has the following knowledge, skills and competences:

- has general knowledge at assessment level,
- has knowledge of the priorities needed for the development of society,
- has the professional and methodological knowledge in several fields of discipline or practice, providing the basis for innovation and originality in practice, research or artistic fields necessary for research and development design or the development of a field of professional practice,
- can generate and formulate hypotheses, judgements and strategies for the further development of a scientific or professional field,
- can evaluate theories, concepts and innovations,
- can apply their own findings resulting from theoretical analysis and their own scientific research of a complex and/or interdisciplinary nature,
- can design, validate and implement new research and work practices,
- is capable of planning the development of society in the context of scientific and technical progress,
- is able to take responsibility for leadership in a given scientific or professional field,
- is a critical, independent and analytical thinker in unpredictable, changing conditions,
- is characterised by consideration of social, scientific and ethical aspects in guiding the future development of society,
- is able to present the results of research and development to the professional community.

[\(https://www.minedu.sk/slovensky-kvalifikacny-ramec-a-narodna-sustava-kvalifikacii/\)](https://www.minedu.sk/slovensky-kvalifikacny-ramec-a-narodna-sustava-kvalifikacii/).

Graduate profile and educational objectives in the context of the Description of the Study Field of Earth Sciences

The graduate is familiar with the latest theoretical and methodological knowledge in his/her field of research. He/she also has extensive expertise in several areas of geology or geography, which serves as a basis for conducting research and development and for generating new knowledge in his/her field of specialisation. He has a systematic and extensive knowledge of a wide range of methods within his specialisation. He/she is familiar with the principles of scientific work, scientific problem formulation, and the ethical and social aspects of scientific work. He/she is able to work creatively and independently, to develop the theory and methodology of his/her field of research and to contribute to the creation of new knowledge. The graduate is able to formulate a scientific problem and hypotheses, determine the theoretical framework, a specific methodological approach to the solution, critically evaluate the achieved results and formulate conclusions and strategies for further research and development of his/her specialisation. He/she is able to evaluate and verify the suitability of the use of methods and technological tools in solving specific scientific and practical problems and understands the limits of their use. The graduate is able to use and further develop these methods and tools in evaluating and optimizing the solution of academic problems and in searching for new knowledge, technologies and technical details. Based on his/her outputs and findings, he/she is able to design, validate and implement new research and working practices in the broader context and possible implications of proposed solutions. He/she is able to present these practices in the form of research outputs, such as papers or research reports, and to transform the results into recommendations for social practice, such as decision-making, planning documents or public policies. Graduates are characterised by independent, critical and analytical thinking, which they can apply in changing and unpredictable conditions.

They take into account social, scientific and ethical aspects when formulating research intentions and interpreting research results. Graduate is able to critically evaluate research results within their specialisation and can present them to an international expert community. Is able to engage socially in favour of the adoption of appropriate solutions, is able to comprehensively assess the ethical, social, environmental, economic and political contexts of the problems addressed. Can determine research focus and coordinate interdisciplinary research teams.

Description of number 42 of the Earth Sciences Field of Study available at:

<https://www.aspi.sk/products/lawText/1/92289/1/2/vyhlasaka-c-244-2019-zz-o-sustave-studijnych-odborov-slovenskej-republiky/vyhlasaka-c-244-2019-zz-o-sustave-studijnych-odborov-slovenskej-republiky>

Specific graduate profile and learning objectives of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development (PhD., external form)

Specific graduate profile and learning objectives of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development (PhD., full-time form)

The graduate has a systematic, coherent and profound knowledge of the theoretical and methodological aspects of regional geography and regional development. He/she is able to understand the complex problems of interdependencies of the components of the physical-geographical and human-geographical subsystems of geographical complexes of various dimensions along the local-global continuum, he/she understands and is able to further develop an understanding of the principles of the spatial differentiation of the landscape sphere in all its diversity.

He/she has a systematic knowledge of a wide range of methods of geographical analysis and synthesis, is able to evaluate and verify the suitability of their application in solving specific scientific problems and understands the limits of their use. The student is not only able to use these methods, but also to further refine them in evaluating and optimising the solution of academic problems in regional geography and regional development.

⁷ Learning objectives are achieved in the study programme through measurable learning outcomes in individual parts (modules, subjects) of the study programme corresponding to the relevant level of the Qualifications Framework in the European Higher Education Area.

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The student is able to solve problems of relations between the natural environment and human society in a specific region in a synthetic way and to solve problems of spatial organisation of society at the regional level with application in regional development. The graduate is able to use, improve and develop the theoretical-methodological basis of regional geography, particularly the methodology of regional analysis, the theory of regions as a constitutive element of society, the theory and methodology of regional development, modelling of regional systems, the theory of globalisation with its regional effects.

The graduate is able to identify key research problems in the field of regional geography and regional development, is able to independently design a research process, coordinate it and demonstrate its validity and reliability through the publication of scientific results in scientific journals. He/she is prepared to produce scientific results while maintaining his/her academic integrity in terms of adherence to the ethical principles of scientific work. Graduate can creatively use and develop applications of GIS as a visualisation and analytical research tool.

The graduate can also identify, design, solve and coordinate practical and academic tasks independently, coordinate procedures in teams, take responsibility for the team's results; be able to engage socially in favor of adopting appropriate solutions; be able to comprehensively assess the ethical, social, economic, political and cultural contexts of the problems addressed; be able to critically evaluate research results within his/her field and be able to present research results in publications of various categories such as articles monographs and other outputs. He/she can conduct and argue in a scientific debate at international level in English and Slovak language.

The graduate is profiled by completing courses that develop his/her theoretical knowledge and skills, practical skills and abilities and competences as indicated in the course information sheets available on the public portal of the MAIS system:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

- b) The institution indicates the professions for which the graduate is prepared at the time of completion and the potential of the study programme from the point of view of graduate's employability.

Graduate of SP Regional Geography and Regional Development:

Acquires knowledge, skills and competences enabling him/her to be widely employable in the labour market. He/she will be able to work in academia as a university teacher or researcher, in public administration, local and regional government, EU institutions, especially in departments dealing with local and regional development, spatial planning, tourism, marketing and promotion, human resources, environmental protection and development; private expertise and design practice, non-profit organisations, development, marketing, real estate and travel agencies and offices, public opinion polling agencies, institutionalised clusters and the media.

He/she will be prepared to set up his/her own business in a field using geographic and geoinformatics expertise.

Due to the specifics of the SP Regional Geography and Regional Development, graduates are also employable on the labour market in the workplaces of the Academy of Sciences, universities, state administration and local government, etc. They also find employment in solving regional development problems in private companies and non-profit organizations.

We indicate the professions mentioned in the previous point b) on the basis of the Annex to Decree No. 516/2011 Coll. Statistical Classification of Occupations SK ISCO-08, available at: https://www.kvalifikacie.sk/sites/nsk/files/employers/sk_isco-08_0.pdf

2165003	Geographical information system specialist
2310	University teacher
2632003	Geographer

- c) Relevant external stakeholders who have provided the statement or a favorable opinion on the compliance of the acquired qualification with the sector-specific requirements for the profession⁸.

We received evaluations and opinions from Global Raymac Surveys, Calgary, AB, Canada (Mgr. Martin Pramuka); Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic - Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic in Prešov, Plzenská 2, Prešov (Ing. Ján Kozoň, PhD.). The documented results of the evaluation are located in Part IV. 8 Additional Annexes of the application for accreditation.

3. Employability

- a) Evaluation of the study programme graduates employability.

- employment opportunities for graduates is addressed in the previous point 2(b).
- Due to the specifics of the programme Regional Geography and Regional Development, graduates are also applicable on the labour market at the workplaces of the Academy of Sciences, universities, state administration and self-government, etc. They also find employment in solving regional development problems in private companies and non-profit organisations.

- b) If applicable, indicate the successful graduates of the study programme.

As successful graduates of our study programme so far we can mention:

RNDr. Rastislav Haraga, PhD.
Ing. Ján Kozoň, PhD.

- c) Evaluation of the study programme quality by employers (feedback).

We asked the employers of our graduates to evaluate the quality of the presented study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development. Reviews and opinions were provided by: Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic - Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic in Prešov, Plzenská 2, 08001 Prešov (Ing. Ján Kozoň, PhD.); Global Raymac Surveys, 10408 Alaska Rd N B, Fort St John, BC V1J 1B2, Canada (Mgr. Martin Pramuka)

The documented results of the assessment are included in Section IV. 8 Additional Annexes of the application for accreditation.

Feedback focusing on the examination of the quality of the curriculum is conducted on a rather ad hoc and sporadic basis by the teachers providing the SP Regional Geography and Regional Development. It is carried out on an individual basis. The information obtained is evaluated during the meetings of the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics.

We have not noted any major comments on the structure of the study programme description or the quality of the graduates.

⁸ In the case of regulated professions in accordance with the requirements for the acquisition of professional competence pursuant to a special regulation.

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We note that all current legislative changes and resulting requirements were promptly incorporated in the curriculum.

4. Structure and content of the study programme⁹

a) *The institution describes the rules for the design of study plans within the study programme.*

The study programme takes into account the objectives set by the Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences in the field of science and its long-term goals, especially in the field of education. The study programme has been developed / innovated in the context of the tendencies of the development of such programmes in Europe and in the world, considering the attractiveness for secondary school students. The study programme was created in accordance with the needs of practice, therefore one of the main aspects in the conception of courses was the aspect of applicability of knowledge and competences in real practice.

The main principles in the development of the study plan of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development are:

- Description of the study field No. 42 Earth Sciences
- Graduate profile in Regional Geography and Regional Development
- Areas that profile and form the core of the study field and the study programme
- Legislation on the credit system of study
- Internal regulations of the UP (<https://www.unipo.sk/vzdelavanie/vnutorne-predpisy/>; https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/37750/OR_x-2021_zosuladovanie.pdf)

- Long-term plan of FHNS UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/rozvoj/dlhodoby-zamer/>

Selected characteristics of the study programme content are given directly in the Course Information Sheets, which are available from: <https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais.jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

b) *The institution compiles the recommended study plans for individual study paths¹⁰.*

Pursuant to Section 3 of Decree No. 614/2002 Coll. On the credit study system Courses included in the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development according to the requirement of their completion are divided into:

- compulsory - their successful completion is a condition for successful completion of a part or the entire study programme,
- compulsory optional - the condition for successful completion of part or the entire study programme is the successful completion of a specified number of these subjects selected by the student in the study programme structure,
- optional - other subjects which the student has the possibility to enroll in order to supplement his/her studies and to obtain a sufficient number of credits in the relevant part of the study (§ 51(4)(i) of the Act).

Courses included in the study programme are divided according to their continuity into:

- courses conditional on successful completion of other subjects; enrolment in such a subject is conditional on successful completion of another subject (a prerequisite subject) or other subjects,
- courses without a requirement; enrolment in such a course is not conditional on the completion of another course

The state examination (§ 63 (1) of the Act) is considered a subject.

Available from: https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2002/614/vyhlase_znenie.html

Course Information Sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais.jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>

Rector's Decision no. 10/2021: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/37750/OR_x-2021_zosuladovanie.pdf

c) *The study plan generally states:*

- individual parts of the study programme (modules, courses, and other relevant school and extracurricular activities, if they contribute to the achievement of the required learning outcomes and allow to obtain credits) in the structure of compulsory, compulsory optional and optional courses,

The prerequisite for admission to the Master's degree in Regional Geography and Regional Development (PhD studies, external form) is the completion of the Master's degree in Geography and Applied Geoinformatics, the Master's degree in Teacher Training in Geography (in combination) or other related Master's degree programmes.

The recommended study plan Regional Geography and Regional Development (PhD studies, external form) is composed of the following parts: the learning part and the research part. In both parts of the SP, the structure of compulsory and optional subjects is broken down in tables.

Recommended study plan

Field of study: Earth Sciences

Study programme: Regional Geography and Regional Development

Degree: 3. (doctoral studies)

Form: external (5 years)

A. Learning part – compulsory courses

Code	Compulsory Units	ECTS credit	Load	Form of completion	Year	Semester	Name of the teacher
	Fundamentals and Methodology of Scientific Research *	15		Exam	1	WT	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. R. Klamár, PhD.,

⁹ Selected characteristics of the content of the study programme can be stated directly in the Course information sheets or supplemented by the information of the Course information sheets.

¹⁰ In accordance with Decree no. 614/2002 Coll. on the study credit system and Act no. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments to Certain Acts.

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	Paradigms of Geographical Thought *	15		Exam	1	WT	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Prof. RNDr. E. Michaeli, PhD.,
	Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy *	15		Exam	1	ST	Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD., Assoc. Prof. RNDr. R. Klamár, PhD., Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech, PhD.
	Methods and techniques of geographical research *	15		Exam	2	WT	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech, PhD. Prof. RNDr. E. Michaeli, PhD., RNDr. Š. Koco, PhD.
	Dissertation Examination with the Dissertation Habilitation	30		Exam	3	ST	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.

A. Research part – compulsory courses

Code	Compusory Units	ECTS credit	Load	Form of completion	Year	Semester	Name of the teacher
	Authorship of scientific work in journals registered in the CC database ¹ , resp. scientific monograph of fundamental importance published in a world language by a foreign publisher	30		Completion	-	-	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.
	Authorship of scientific work in journals registered in WoS or Scopus databases, whose IF is greater than 0.25 resp. scientific monograph ²	20		Completion	-	-	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.
	Dissertation with the defence	30		Continuous assessment	5	ST	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.

¹ - These are categories ADC, ADD, respectively AAA defined in terms of Annex 1 to Decree of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Slovak Republic No. 456/2012 Coll. on the Central Register of Publication Activity and the Central Register of Artistic Activity. The assessment of whether an output is of fundamental importance for the field of research is the responsibility of the chairman of the committee.

² - Multiple publications (monographs) falling into the categories of ADC, ADD, AAA and ACD outputs are also taken into account within the criterion. The minimum requirement for the granting of credits is to be first author at least once.

B. Learning part – compulsory optional courses

Code	Compusory Units	ECTS credit	Load	Form of completion	Year	Semester	Name of the teacher
	The basis of academic pedagogy	5		Exam	1	WT	Prof. PaedDr. L. Pasternáková, PhD., MBA.
	Globalistics and Geopolitics*	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. R. Klamár, PhD.
	Urban Social Geography	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Assoc. Prof. RNDr. K. Matlovičová, PhD.
	Integrated landscape research and management*	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. RNDr. J. Oťaheľ, CSc. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech, PhD.
	Cultural Landscape of Slovakia	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. RNDr. E. Michaeli, PhD.
	Regional Innovation Systems	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Assoc. Prof. RNDr. K. Matlovičová, PhD.
	Cohesion Policy of the European Union	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. R. Klamár, PhD.

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	Sustainability and Landscape Stability	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.
	The Comparative Geography of European regions	5		Continuous assessment	2	ST	Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD.
	Educational activities in semester ³	5		Completion			Assoc. Prof. RNDr. R. Klamár, PhD.

³ - generally, this involves teaching activities of 4 hours per week, supervision of bachelor theses, assessment of bachelor theses, or teaching activities in the framework of excursions, field practicals according to the instructions of the head of the department. Credits are recognised by the Head of Department. Credits for the above activities may also be earned repeatedly, but no more than 10 times during the standard length of study.

B – Research part – compulsory optional courses

Code	Compusory Units	ECTS credit	Load	Form of completion	Year	Semester	Name of the teacher
	Short-term study stay at a foreign university or research institution ⁴	5		Completion			Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. K. Matlovičová, PhD.
	Research fellowship at university or research centre lasting one semester*	15		Completion			Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech. PhD.
	Scientific works registered in WOS, Scopus databases ⁵	8		Completion			Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.
	Scientific work in scientific journals, proceedings and monographs ⁶	5		Completion			Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD.
	Active participation on international scientific conference with paper or poster in world language	3		Completion			Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD.
	Active participation in scientific conference with paper or poster in Slovak	2		Completion			Prof. RNDr. R. Ištók, PhD.
	Active participation in international research project	10		Completion			Prof. RNDr. J. Ořáheř, CSc. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech. PhD.
	Active participation in domestic research project	5		Completion			Prof. RNDr. J. Ořáheř, CSc. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. V. Čech. PhD.
	Professional translation of scientific publication to the world language (for 1 AH)	1		Completion			Prof. Ing. J. Vilček, PhD. Assoc. Prof. RNDr. K. Matlovičová, PhD.

⁴ - This involves a study stay at a foreign university or research institute lasting less than one semester

⁵ - This is a category of ADM, ADN, defined in the terms of Annex No. 1 to Decree of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic No. 456/2012 Coll. on the Central Register of the Publication Activity and the Central Register of Artistic Activity, the IF of which is equal to or less than 0.25.

⁶ - This includes scientific papers in scientific journals, scientific monographs published by domestic publishers, chapters in scientific monographs, studies in peer-reviewed international conference proceedings (international programme committee), university textbooks, and map outputs of regional significance.

- **profile courses** of the relevant study path (specialization) within the study programme,
In the Regional Geography and Regional Development study programme description, the profile subjects are marked with * (asterisk).

- for each learning part/course the learning outcomes, related criteria and rules of their assessment so that the learning objectives of the study programme are met (they can be stated only in the Course information sheets, in the Learning outcomes section and in the Course completion requirements),

Learning outcomes, criteria, and rules for assessment of individual courses and educational parts are given in the Course Information Sheets in the Learning Outcomes and Course Completion Requirements sections.

Course Information sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais.jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

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- prerequisites, co-requisites and recommendations for the design of the study plan,
The precondition courses, i.e. prerequisites, the successful completion of which conditions the enrolment and study of the follow-up course are listed in the Course Information Sheets in the Precondition Courses section and are made available to students in the UP MAIS.

Courses creating links (interconnections), i.e. requiring continuity in the development of knowledge, abilities and especially practical skills are supplemented by prerequisites. The course prerequisite is listed in the MAIS with reference to the information sheet. The obligation given by the prerequisite must be fulfilled before enrolment in the next course. The course information sheet (MAIS) lists the course, the proper completion of which is a condition for enrolment in the course.

Course Information Sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>

- for each learning part of the study plan/course the applied educational activities (lecture, seminar, exercise, final work, project work, laboratory work, internship, excursion, field practice, professional practice, state exam, etc. or their combinations) suitable for achieving learning outcomes,

Educational activities, forms and methods for each course and for each educational activity are listed in the Course Information Sheets under Type, load and method of educational activities and are made available to students in MAIS UP.

Course Information sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

- methods by which the educational activity is delivered – present, distant, combined (in accordance with the Course information sheets),

The methods for the implementation of the learning activities are set out in the Course Information Sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

- outline/syllabus of the course¹¹,

The syllabus for each course is listed in the Course Information Sheet.

During the assessment, the teachers providing the courses will give the working group access to other course materials and the content of the individual learning activities.

- student workload ("extent" of individual courses and educational activities separately)¹²,

Student workload within the individual courses and learning activities (contact and non-contact teaching and activities) of the DSP (study programme description) of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development is given in the individual course information sheets.

The DSP SP takes into account the credit system based on the principle of assessing the learner's workload. It uses the recommendations of the ECTS system for the accumulation and transfer of credits, which is based on the principle of transparency of learning, teaching and assessment processes.

ECTS Users' Guide 2015: <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/da7467e6-8450-11e5-b8b7-01aa75ed71a1>

Course Information Sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>

Rector's Decision No.10/2021: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/37750/OR_x-2021_zosuladovanie.pdf

- credits allocated to each part based on the learning outcomes achieved and the workload involved,

The credits allocated to individual courses, learning outcomes and learning activities are attributed to the student's workload. The number of credits and the student's workload are specified separately in each Course Information Sheet. When determining the student workload, it has been assumed that 1 credit corresponds to 30 hours of student work.

Course Information Sheets:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

- the person responsible for the course (or a partner organization/person¹³) with an indication of the contact details,

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- course teachers (or participating partner organizations/persons) (may also be mentioned in Course information sheets),

¹¹ During the assessment, teachers responsible for the course will allow the working group access to the study materials of the course and the content of individual educational activities.

¹² We recommend indicating the workload of contact and non-contact teaching in accordance with the ECTS Users' Guide 2015.

¹³ E.g. when providing the professional practice or other educational activities carried out outside the university.

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- *places where the courses are taught (if the study programme is delivered at several workplaces).*
In addition to student internships carried out in the context of the study stays at foreign universities (Short-term study stay at a foreign university or research institution, Research fellowship at university or research centre lasting one semester) and participation in conferences (Active participation on international scientific conference with paper or poster in world language, Active participation in scientific conference with paper or poster in Slovak) all other courses and educational activities of the Faculty of Regional Geography and Regional Development are carried out in classrooms, laboratories and specialized classrooms of the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics of the FHNS, University of Prešov.
- d) *The institution states the number of credits, the achievement of which is a condition for proper completion of studies and other requirements that the student must meet within the study programme and for its proper completion, including the requirements for state examinations, rules for re-study and rules for the extension, interruption of study.*
The student is obliged to obtain the necessary number of credits in the study programme, the distribution and total number of which is determined by the accredited study programme. To advance to the second year of study, a external doctoral student is required to obtain at least 40 credits, to advance to the third year of study, a external doctoral student is required to obtain at least 80 credits, and to advance to the fourth year of study, a external doctoral student is required to obtain at least 120 credits.
The number of credits to be achieved as a condition for the proper completion of studies for a third-level study programme with a standard length of study is at least 240 credits. The duration of the study must not exceed the standard length of the study programme by more than two years.

All the information required under (d) is provided in Articles 29 through 32 (for PhDs) of the 2018 Study Rules UP.
Link: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>
Rector's Decision No. 10/2021: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/37750/OR_x-2021_zosuladovanie.pdf
- e) *For individual study plans, the institution states the requirements for completing the individual parts of the study programme and the student's progress within the study programme in the given structure:*
 - *number of credits for compulsory courses required for proper completion of studies/completion of a part of studies,*
According to the DSP SP Regional Geography and Regional Development it is:
Learning part 90 credits
Research part: 80 credits
The total number of credits for the study is 170 credits.
Number of credits for compulsory courses for the regular completion of studies: 170 credits
Number of credits for compulsory courses for the regular completion of the part of the study: 60 credits / 1st year; 20 credits / 2nd year; 20 credits / 3rd year; 10 credits/4th year; 25 credits
 - *number of credits for compulsory optional courses required for the proper completion of studies/completion of a part of studies,*

According to the DSP of the SP Regional Geography and Regional Development, the student for the compulsory optional courses receives:
Learning and research part 70 credits in total
The total number of credits for the study is 70 credits.
 - *number of credits for optional courses required for the proper completion of studies/completion of a part of studies,*
According to the DSP of the SP Regional Geography and Regional Development, the student does not receive credits for optional courses
 - *number of credits required for the completion of studies/completion of a part of the studies for the common foundations and for the relevant specialization, in the case of a teaching combination study programme or a translation combination study programme,*

It is not a teacher training combination programme
 - *number of credits for the final thesis and the defense of the final thesis required for the proper completion of studies,*

The total number of credits for the dissertation, including the defense, is 30
 - *number of credits for professional practice required for the proper completion of studies/completion of a part of studies,*

Part of the external doctoral studies is the performance of educational activities or other professional activities related to teaching in the extent of no more than four hours per week on average per academic year in which the teaching takes place. The duties of

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an external doctoral student include supervising and opposing bachelor's theses to a maximum of ten theses on average during an academic year. Professional practice in the context of the Regional Geography and Regional Development programme is primarily understood as the acquisition of credits for the research part of the study programme, where the student must obtain 150 credits.

- *number of credits required for the proper completion of studies/completion of a part of the studies for project work with the indication of relevant courses in engineering study programmes,*

It is not an engineering degree programme.

- *number of credits required for the proper completion of studies/completion of a part of the studies for artistic performances in addition to the final thesis in art study programmes.*

It is not a study programme with an artistic focus.

- f) *The institution describes the rules for verification of learning outcomes, students assessment and the possibilities of appealing against the assessment.*

The rules for the verification of learning outcomes and the assessment of students and the possibilities of corrective procedures against this assessment state:

- Art. 15 through 22 of the Study Rules UP of 2018:
<https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>
- Disciplinary Regulations of the UP in Prešov -
https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/files/docs/u/svk/disciplinary_poriadok_08.pdf

- g) *Conditions for recognition of studies or a part of studies.*

The conditions under which courses of study or credits are recognised are set out in Article 20 of the Study Rules. The application for recognition of a course and the award of credits for the course in question is submitted by the student to the study department of the home faculty or university.

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>

- h) *The institution states the topics of final theses of the study programme (or a link to the list).*

Each year, in accordance with the Study Rules of the UP in Prešov, the Faculty publishes a list of thesis topics through individual departments, no later than by the 15th of April of the given academic year. The thesis topics are approved by the head of the Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences so that the sum of the thesis topics at the first and second level of study, conducted by one employee, does not exceed ten in one academic year. When approving the topics, it must also be ensured that the supervisor of the thesis has at least one level of higher education or qualification than the supervisor of the thesis (the only exceptions are practitioners), and that the topic corresponds to the supervisor's scientific and pedagogical profile. Given the average number of students admitted in each academic year and the number of students carrying out theses at the applicant's place of work, we assume that the fulfilment of the criterion will be trouble-free.

Suggested thesis topics:

Selected types of geotechnical systems in the region of Eastern Slovakia. Origin, development, current status and influence on landscape structure.

Environmental burdens as an example of environmental risks in the selected area

Political-geographical and geopolitical aspects of the enlargement of the European Union

Geographical and environmental aspects of the use and formation of agrarian landscapes

Tourism in a post-pandemic world: continuity or discontinuity?

Tourism development in the context of an alternative development paradigm: a case study of Bhutan

The sharing economy: threat or opportunity for tourism development?

Pro-poor tourism as a tool for the development of marginalised communities

Destination branding as a tool to strengthen local communities in the underdeveloped regions: a case study of Manipur, northeast India

Destination branding - trends, strategies, examples and recommendations

Regional development and regional disparities in the selected territory

Ecomuseums as a possible factor for development in distressed regions

Transformation of the use of cultural landscapes and perspectives of their development in the context of socio-economic and natural conditions from the aspect of regional development (on the example of the selected territory of Slovakia)

Dynamics of changes in the Tatra rivers due to increased activity of selected geomorphological processes in the context of climatic changes over the last half century

Mental map of Poland on a selected sample of Slovak population

The thesis topics are regularly published in MAIS UP (<https://www.unipo.sk/cvtpu/hlavne-sekcie/MAIS/intro/>) and on the websites of faculty departments or teachers (<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/zaverecneprace/>).

- i) *The institution describes or refers to:*
 - *rules for the assignment, processing, opposition, defense and evaluation of final theses in the study programme,*

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The University has established a coherent system of processes ensuring the procedure for the preparation and organisation of theses at all levels of study. The basic document is the Directive on the requirements of theses, their bibliographic registration, originality control, preservation, and accessibility, issued by the UP Rector in 2019. The Directive specifies the general provisions, basic concepts, characteristics and formality of theses, ethics and technique of citation and bibliographic references, structure of the thesis, submission, originality control and accessibility, the competence of the University, its components, and the competence of the author of the thesis, information about the central register of theses and the competence of the Ministry and the University, final provisions.

The procedures for the specification of doctoral dissertations, their processing, defence and evaluation are set out in the UP Study Rules, Articles 34 through 38.

The total number of credits for the dissertation, including the defence, is 30.

Available at: <https://www.pulib.sk/web/data/pulib/subory/stranka/ezp-smernica2019.pdf>

- *opportunities and procedures for participation in student mobility,*

The UP Study Rules, in the section on the organisation of educational activities, address the student's right to complete part of his/her studies at another higher education institution in the Slovak Republic or abroad. Approval for mobility is granted by the dean/rector or the vice-rector for international affairs and marketing. The part of the study is recognised in accordance with the Treaty, the European Standard and the European Credit Transfer System. The Rector's Decision "Procedure for the implementation of outgoing student mobility within the Erasmus+ programme" is issued at the University of Presov (UP) on the basis of the provisions of Section 15(1)(l) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and on Amendments and Additions to Certain Acts, as amended. With this Rector's Decision, the UP management determines the activities of individual actors related to the realisation of student mobility abroad under the Erasmus+ programme. Introductory provisions The Rector's Decision responds to the main ideas of the Bologna Process. In designing the quality of education, UP applies the approaches declared in the current concepts of determining and evaluating learning outcomes. The Rector's Decision is drawn up in accordance with Section 87a of the Higher Education Act.

For incoming students, credits are assessed on the basis of their acquisition, i.e. the degree of compliance of the completed coursework with the given study programme is evaluated by the guarantor of the study. In the case of a match, the credits are accepted, or the missed coursework can be made up within the requirements of the study programme.

Student mobility is arranged and guided by a coordinator appointed by the Rector or Dean. His/her task is to prepare and execute the programme of international cooperation in the educational field, to deal with the tasks related to the placement and admission of students, and to provide advisory services to students on the possibilities of studying at other universities in the Slovak Republic and abroad.

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>

University website: <https://www.unipo.sk/search/?q=mobility>

FHNS website: <https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/vyzvy-mob-stud/>

Rector's Decision: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/10602/Opatrenie-rektora-8-05-31.pdf>

- *rules for adherence to academic ethics and rules for drawing consequences,*

The rules of academic ethics and consequences are stated in the document Code of Ethics of the University of Prešov.

Research Integrity and Ethics available from:

<https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/38250/Etick%C3%BD%20k%C3%B3dex%20Pre%C5%A1ovskej%20univerzity%20v%20Pre%C5%A1ove.pdf> and Act No. 9/2010 Coll. on Complaints <https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2010/9/>

- *procedures applicable to students with special needs,*

The diversity of student needs (special needs) is accepted within the scope of the Methodology Guide document. In accordance with Section 100(11) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and on Amendments and Additions to Certain Acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Higher Education Act") and Decree No. 458/2012 Coll. on Minimal Requirements for Students with Specific Needs, the document creates a generally accessible academic environment and appropriate study conditions for students with specific needs without reducing the requirements for their study performance.

Methodology Guide: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/0190/METODIKA_%C5%A0%C5%A0P_april2017.pdf

- *procedures for filing complaints and appeals by students.*

For student complaints and appeals, the procedures regarding:

- admission to the school,
- examinations
- accommodation
- criminal activity

are governed by the Complaints Act No. 9/2010 Coll. and its amendment No. 94/2017 Coll. (<https://www.aspi.sk/products/lawText/1/88314/1/2/zakon-c-94-2017-zz-ktorym-sa-meni-a-doplna-zakon-c-9-2010-zz-o-staznostiach-v-zneni-neskorsich-predpisov/zakon-c-94-2017-zz-ktorym-sa-meni-a-doplna-zakon-c-9-2010-zz-o-staznostiach-v-zneni-neskorsich-predpisov>).

Upon a justified case, the student has the possibility to request the correction of the results of the assessment. A student is entitled to two make-up examination dates in a given course in the academic year in which the course is enrolled, within the announced examination dates and the academic year schedule. At the student's request, the examiner will allow a make-up examination even if the student has successfully passed the regular examination date. A make-up examination date will be registered in the MAIS. If the student requests it, the Vice Dean/Provost for Educational Affairs may allow a make-up examination to be given in justified cases before a committee appointed by the Dean/Provost. A board examination may be demanded from the faculty's study department no later than five working days after the regular examination date or the first make-up examination date.

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Students can submit suggestions via the "black box", i.e. in the form of an anonymous electronic form. Suggestions are registered through the student representatives of the AS FHNS UP, who then delegate them to the relevant departments according to the content of the suggestion.

Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf>
Black Box: <https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/informacie-pre-studentov/cierna-skrinka/>

5. Course information sheets of the study programme

In the structure according to Decree no. 614/2002 Coll.

The information sheets of all courses of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development are located in Part IV. 7.

Additional supplementary information to the application for accreditation and are available from:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/studijneProgramy.mais;jsessionid=2544DDDA91EC54DFD28389F06353EE34>

6. Current academic year plan and current schedule (or hyperlink).

The current academic year schedule can be found on the FHNS UP website in the section - students. Available from:

<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/vzdelavanie/harmonogram/>

The current timetable of the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development for the academic year 2021/2022 is available in the MAIS information system - public portal. Available from:

<https://student.unipo.sk/maisportal/rozvrhy.mais>

7. Persons responsible for the study programme

- a) A person responsible for the delivery, development, and quality of the study programme (indicating the position and contact details).

Main guarantor:

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Co-guarantors:

prof. RNDr. Robert Ištók, PhD., tenure: professor, E-mail: robert.istok@unipo.sk, Tel.: (+421) 0517570383, Address: ul. 17. novembra 1, 081 16 Prešov; (<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/istok2/>)

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- b) List of persons responsible for the profile courses of the study programme with the assignment to the course and provided with a link to the central Register of university staff and with contact details (they may also be listed in the study plan).

Person contact	Profile courses	Link to Register of University Staff
DSP – Regional Geography and Regional Development (PhD.)		
prof. Ing. Jozef Vilček, PhD. E-mail: jozef.vilcek@unipo.sk Phone: (+421)0517570863 Address: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Fundamentals and Methodology of Scientific Research Paradigms of Geographical Thought Research fellowship at university or research centre lasting one semester Methods and techniques of geographical research	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6539
prof. RNDr. Robert Ištók, PhD. Email: robert.istok@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570383 Address: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Globalistics and Geopolitics	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6494
prof. RNDr. Eva Michaeli, PhD. E-mail: eva.michaeli@unipo.sk Phone: (+421)0517570863	Paradigms of Geographical Thought Methods and techniques of geographical research	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6545

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Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov		
Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Vladimír Čech, PhD. E-mail: vladimir.cech@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570866 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Integrated landscape research and management Methods and techniques of geographical research Research fellowship at university or research centre lasting one semester	https://www.portalsk.sk/regzam/detail/6471
Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Radoslav Klamár, PhD. E-mail: radoslav.klamar@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570690 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Fundamentals and Methodology of Scientific Research Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Globalistics and Geopolitics	https://www.portalsk.sk/regzam/detail/6507
Prof. RNDr. Ján Otáhel, CSc. E-mail: jan.otahel@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570393 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Integrated landscape research and management	https://www.portalsk.sk/regzam/detail/21649
RNDr. Štefan Koco, PhD. E-mail: stefan.koco@unipo.sk Phone: (+421)0517570864 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Methods and techniques of geographical research	https://www.portalsk.sk/regzam/detail/17882

- c) Reference to the research/art/teacher profiles of persons responsible for the profile courses of the study programme.

Prof. Ing. Jozef Vilček, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/vilcek2/>

Prof. RNDr. Robert Istok, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/istok2/>

prof. RNDr. Eva Michaeli, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/michaeli2/>

Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Vladimír Čech, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/cech2/>

Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Radoslav Klamár, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/klamar2/>

RNDr. Štefan Koco, PhD.

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/staff/koco2/>

- d) List of teachers of the study programme with the assignment to the course and provided with a link to the central Register of university staff and with contact details (may be a part of the study plan).

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prof. RNDr. Robert Ištók, PhD. Email: robert.istok@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570383 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Globalistics and Geopolitics Professional translation of scientific publication to the world language (for 1 AH) Cohesion Policy of the European Union The Comparative Geography of European regions Active participation on international scientific conference with paper or poster in world language Active participation in scientific conference with paper or poster in Slovak	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6494
Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Kvetoslava Matlovičová, PhD. Email: kvetoslava.matlovicova@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570613 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Urban Social Geography Regional Innovation Systems Short-term study stay at a foreign university or research institution Professional translation of scientific publication to the world language (for 1 AH)	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6303
prof. RNDr. Eva Michaeli, PhD. E-mail: eva.michaeli@unipo.sk Phone: (+421)0517570863 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Paradigms of Geographical Thought Methods and techniques of geographical research Cultural Landscape of Slovakia	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6545
Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Vladimír Čech, PhD. E-mail: vladimir.cech@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570866 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Methods and techniques of geographical research Integrated landscape research and management Research fellowship at university or research centre lasting one semester Active participation in scientific conference with paper or poster in Slovak Active participation in international research project	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6471
Assoc. Prof. RNDr. Radoslav Klamár, PhD. E-mail: radoslav.klamar@unipo.sk Phone: (+421) 0517570690 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Fundamentals and Methodology of Scientific Research Theories of regional development and their application in regional policy Globalistics and Geopolitics Cohesion Policy of the European Union Educational activities in semester	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/6507
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RNDr. Štefan Koco, PhD. E-mail: stefan.koco@unipo.sk Phone: (+421)0517570864 Adress: Ul. 17. novembra 1 081 16 Prešov	Methods and techniques of geographical research	https://www.portalvs.sk/regzam/detail/17882
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8. Spatial, material, and technical provision of the study programme and support

a) List and characteristics of the study programme classrooms and their technical equipment with the assignment to learning outcomes and courses (laboratories, design and art studios, studios, workshops, interpreting booths, clinics, priest seminaries, science and

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technology parks, technology incubators, school enterprises, practice centers, training schools, classroom-training facilities, sports halls, swimming pools, sports grounds).

Spatial provision of the study programme

The University of Prešov provides the activities of the individual departments of the University in its own premises or in rented premises. The largest faculties of the University, the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences, are situated in the largest building, namely in the University Campus at 17. Novembra, 1, Prešov. The whole complex of buildings consists of five interconnected parts for educational purposes and of facilities of the faculties, lecture halls, lecture rooms and professional workplaces. The building provides all the necessary activities to ensure quality teaching of individual programmes. The total floor area of the building is 25 060 m². It is a building constructed in the 1980s, the building is continuously repaired for the needs of the study fields and faculties. The building houses laboratories and centers of excellence for science and research.

Provision of library services at the place of study programme implementation

The UP University Library is a university workplace providing scientific information, bibliographic, coordination and advisory services to students and employees of the university and, to the extent of its capabilities, to other expert public. University library UP is developing its activity on the foundation of the historical development of education and library culture of the region and continues the traditions established by the Collegiate Library and the Eparchial Library. The mission of the library is mainly to provide free access to information; to help satisfy the cultural, informational, research and educational needs and interests of the university; to promote lifelong learning and the spiritual development of the university. For this purpose, the library provides the following essential and special library-information services: lending services, bibliographic-information services, consulting services, reprographic and other services (processing of the records of the publishing activities of the university staff; bibliographic registration of final and qualifying theses; maintenance of the CU UP Digital Library; organization of scientific literature exhibitions, art exhibitions, concerts, presentations, professional library events, etc.). The library fund contains nearly 225 000 units in total (the annual growth of the library fund is about 4 000 books and 250 periodical titles, while the purchase of documents is carried out on the base of the faculties' requirements with the aim of equal purchase for the needs of all study programmes at UP). Since 2004, the library has been building a Digital Library (a database of electronic full-text publications created by the university staff, which contains over 800 publications). Since 1997, it has been building a database of UP publications, in which it has registered over 66 000 documents. The library provides almost 280 000 loans annually, most of them electronic. The total area of the library is over 2 600 m², of which 1 150 m² is for users. There are 303 study seats in 6 study rooms (2 of which are database rooms). Over 70 000 readers visit the library every year and over 500 000 readers visit the library website. The library has its own computer network (PULIBnet) with 4 servers, 84 computers, of which 45 computers are reserved for users. Annually it publishes a bibliography of UP's publishing activity. The library provides access to 9 paid full-text databases (EBSCO, Gale, ProQuest, Science Direct, Scopus, Springer, Taylor and Francis, Web of Knowledge, Wiley).

Material and technical support of the study programme

Since 2008, the University of Prešov has undergone extensive modernization of classrooms. New equipment has been installed in a total of 165 seminar, lecture and specialized classrooms. These included 136 computers for lecture and seminar rooms, 406 computers for computer and specialized classrooms, 132 data projectors and electric screens, 17 interactive whiteboards and other small equipment. In 2020, 25 of the largest classrooms of the university were further upgraded, ICT equipment and video-presentation technology were upgraded.

Since 2008, within the framework of projects from state funds, modern metallic and fiber-optic computer wiring has been installed and expanded in 14 buildings of the university, including the initial wiring in the rooms of the students accommodated in the UP SJU. A total of 1 694 computer sockets were installed. All buildings have high-speed networks, which typically operate at 1 Gbit/s, but are also ready for the future upgrade to 10 Gbit/s.

Between 2017 and 2020, the University underwent a complete replacement and upgrade of the centrally managed WiFi network at a cost of €154,000, with a total of 298 new access points installed in all buildings.

The scientific-pedagogical workplace of the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics has extensive and technical equipment for the education of students, which is currently used primarily for teaching and scientific research activities within the study programme Regional Geography and Regional Development. The department has the following infrastructure:

- Geographical Information Systems Laboratory (room 203).

It was established in 2003 within the project focused on innovations and building of unique workplaces with the financial support of the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic. The infrastructure of the laboratory is used on two levels: educational and research. Educational activities are focused on the education of PhD students, Bachelor and Master students, research activities are focused on the solving of projects that require the collection, digitisation and analogue visualisation of geographic data. The laboratory includes a Dell Precision 3620 workstation, a large format scanner, a book scanner FUJITSU scanner SV600 ScanSnap, A3, 600dpi, USB 2.0, CHAMELEON 25 PLUS wide format scanner for large format maps and documents, Mustek Scanner A3 -for standby scanning of smaller maps and documents, Plotter HP Designjet T770 and Plotter HP Designjet 500.

(<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m203/>)

- GIS.lab classroom (room 1.01).

It is a further extension of the already existing Laboratory of Geographical Information Systems. It was established in 2013. It aims to expand the innovative capabilities of the existing laboratory, especially in the area of research and development of alternative GIS technologies with regard to open source GIS. The project is implemented in close collaboration with the private sector fulfilling the spin-off concept. The ambition is to create a training incubator heading towards a triple-helix philosophy. The initiative is based on training, testing and development of modern open-source GIS technologies with subsequent application for university students, organizations and for the public sector environment. The technical infrastructure of the classroom consists of 13 HP ProDesk 490 workstations, a BenQ RP653K-UHD 65" mobile widescreen LED touchscreen monitor, an eBeam Edge + 3300-Lumen Portable Projector interactive whiteboard and a magnetic whiteboard flipchart. The following software equipment is also used to advance education and use of innovative techniques: Windows/Ubuntu, QGIS, ArcGIS 10.0, Statistica, Input/Qield (field data collection), Corel Draw, Inkscape. (<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m101/>).

- Educational Laboratory for Tourism and Destination Marketing - EDULAB (Room 195).

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It is based on the open space concept, which is used for practical training of students and training of special skills necessary for employment in various fields of tourism. The laboratory was launched at the end of September 2016. The laboratory includes an interactive whiteboard, a mobile stand, a laptop, a microphone, maps and mobile furniture, used to quickly transform the environment and simulate a variety of situations in practice, e.g. travel agency, hotel reception, tourist information center, first contact office, bus environment during a tour, virtual environment of tourist destinations, guiding tourists through different types of environments, etc. As geography teachers organise geographical excursions and tours for students, there is a need for training in this area as well.

[\(https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m195/\)](https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m195/).

- b) Characteristics of the study programme information management (access to study literature according to Course information sheets, access to information databases and other information sources, information technologies, etc.).

All workplaces and all classrooms of FHNS are connected to the university network. The faculty has a newly built computer network based on managed switches with a speed of 1Gbit/s, the new structured UTP cabling allows the transition to a speed of up to 10 Gbit/s. All classrooms are equipped with a data projector, an electric screen and a computer connected to the computer network, classroom computers are centrally managed, the computing center is equipped with new powerful servers. This creates the technical conditions for the use of modern information technologies by the staff and students of FHNS.

Students have to log into the faculty network, each student has his/her own password and access rights. FHNS has 4 faculty computer rooms, one of which is used for free student access, and 6 departmental classrooms and laboratories equipped with computer technology. The university-wide information systems include the Modular Academic Information System (MAIS), which is used for the study administration. All the necessary information is available to students on the faculty or departmental website. Lecturers also provide students with study materials in digitised form, communicate and consult with students also through e-communication or through the website.

Teaching at FHNS UP in Prešov is carried out in well-equipped classrooms and laboratories for teaching and professional activities of students and PhD students. The faculty has 32 classrooms equipped with a network computer, a data projector and an electric screen, 4 classrooms with an interactive whiteboard and one room with a sound system.

All workplaces and all classrooms are connected to the university network, special software is available (statistical software, e-learning systems, Internet media, resources to enable the disabled to participate in the regular educational process).

A number of specialised equipment such as microscopes, stereo microscopes, optical instruments, analysers, samplers, GNSS equipment, UAV equipment, sound level meters, lux meters, multimeters measuring various physical and chemical variables, GPS, wood and metalworking equipment, etc., working in cooperation (control, communication and data transfer) with computer technology, are used in the framework of educational activities.

The scientific-pedagogical workplace of the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics is equipped with the following information support:

- Remote Sensing Laboratory (room 1.13).

It was built within the project of Competence Centre of Knowledge Technologies for Innovation of Production Systems in Industry and Services. The Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics is working on the gradual expansion of its technical equipment focused on the collection and processing of spatial data using remote sensing methods. The equipment of the laboratory consists of a computer workstation (CPU: AMD Ryzen 9 5950X, 3.4 GHz, 16 cores, 32 threads; graphics card: AMD Radeon RX Vega 64; RAM: 64 GB DDR5), unmanned helicopter Sout B1 - 100 UAV with laser 3D scanner RIEGL LMS Q160, unmanned drone 3DR IRIS+, unmanned drone DJI Matrice M200, multispectral camera PARROT Sequoia and georadar VIY3-300it GPR). In combination with software (RiPROCESS, RiSCAN, Agisoft Metashape, Faro Scene (in collaboration with the Centre of Excellence of the Socio-Historical and Cultural-Historical Research), Planner, Synchro 3, QGIS, ArcGIS 10.0, CloudCompare) provides the conditions for modern geographic landscape research aimed at mapping and simulating the landscape processes (e.g. flood risk, soil erosion, analysis of land cover characteristics, air pollution, solar radiation distribution and changes in landscape structure). In cooperation with the private sector and government institutions, it allows for the implementation of the collected and processed data. The used methods are intended to facilitate and accelerate the decision-making process in various situations, the creation of development scenarios, as well as in planning of environmentally sustainable development of the territory. The laboratory also includes an unmanned helicopter with a 3D laser scanner, which is used to scan small areas as part of the research project. Based on the data obtained, it is possible to make digital surface models of the terrain or models of the various objects that are located on it. In 2019, the laboratory's instrumentation was expanded by the Topcon Hyper HR RTK GNSS with a connection to the Slovak SKPOS observation service, which enables 3D positional measurements with a centimeter resolution. The device represents a significant qualitative increase in the fieldwork process in combination with the use of the existing instrumentation of the DPZ laboratory. The current infrastructure of the centre allows for the addition of 3D spatial data to visually presented land surface information as well as subsurface information.

[\(https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m113/\)](https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/m113/).

- Pedogeographical Laboratory (UNIPOLAB)

It was established within the project "University Science Park TECHNICOM for innovative applications supported by Knowledge Technologies" aimed at the implementation of basic and applied research and development in the field of pedogeography, pedophysics and environmental pedology. The purpose of the laboratory is to provide material and technical equipment for research on the landscape, terrestrial systems (especially soil) and the practical transfer of acquired knowledge. Applied research is also carried out in the field of soil revitalisation using innovative biological approaches. Special attention is given to soils resulting from the anthropogenic activities of the mining sector. In this regard, the department is equipped with basic laboratory (ph meters, water demineraliser, laboratory shaker, centrifuge, scales, drying oven, etc.) and instrumental (soil drills, Kopecky rollers, calorimeter, granulometer, spectrophotometer) equipment.

[\(https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/unipolab/\)](https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodnch-vied/katedry/geografia/studenti/labs/unipolab/).

The material, physical, and IT support of the study programme of geography in combination belonging to the scientific-pedagogical workplace - the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics FHNS UP in Prešov, has been built for a long time and purposefully and currently serves primarily for education and scientific-research activities within the study programme of Regional Geography and Regional Development.

- c) Characteristics and extent of distance education applied in the study programme with the assignment to courses. Access, manuals of e-learning portals. Procedures for the transition from contact teaching to distance learning.

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The University of Prešov uses the e-learning system to support online learning in the Moodle environment. It is available at <https://elearning.unipo.sk/> and contains basic information, courses and guides. The e-learning system in the Moodle environment is available to all students, teachers and staff of the University of Prešov to improve the quality of education. University-wide e-learning provides courses for the UP Faculty of Health Care, UP Faculty of Orthodox Theology and UP Faculty of Sport. Other faculties, including FHNS operate their own e-learning server. In the study programme, we plan to implement a partial transition from full-time to distance learning in case of critical circumstances. From our previous practice, the following implementation has proved to be the most successful during the Covid study period - Interactive form of lectures using MS Teams and feedback using MS Forms tests. Courses, the content of which has a practical orientation, are implemented in compliance with the current epidemiological measures.

Moodle UP: <https://elearning.unipo.sk/>

Moodle FHNS: <https://e.fhvp.unipo.sk/>

- d) Institution partners in providing educational activities for the study programme and the characteristics of their participation. In order to improve scientific research and pedagogical activities, the Department cooperates with several partner foreign universities and non-university departments (authorities, municipalities, higher territorial units, etc.), especially in the Czech Republic, Poland, France and Slovenia. The cooperation is oriented towards the solution of joint projects, drafting of scientific articles, cooperation in the field of science and research, exchange of experience through invited lectures, as well as bringing the partner institutions closer together. Teacher and student exchanges under the Erasmus+ and CEEPUS programmes are a suitable way forward (see point 8f for details).

Partners of the Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics, Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences, University of Prešov:

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- Department of Regional Geography and Regional Development, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Comenius University in Bratislava,
- Department of Economic and Social Geography, Demography and Territorial Development, Comenius University in Bratislava,
- Department of Geography and Geology, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica,
- Department of Geography of the Catholic University of Ružomberok,
- Department of Geography and Regional Development, Faculty of Natural Sciences, University of Constantine the Philosopher in Nitra,
- Department of Ecology and Environmental Science, Faculty of Natural Sciences, University of Constantine the Philosopher in Nitra,
- Institute of Geography, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice,
- Slovak Academy of Sciences,
- Geodetic and Cartographic Institute Bratislava,
- Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic,
- Soil Science and Conservation Research Institute,
- Lesoprojekt in Zvolen,
- Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic,
- Department of Geography, Faculty of Science, J. E. Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem,
- Department of Geography, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Palacký University in Olomouc,
- Department of Physical Geography and Geoecology, Charles University in Prague,
- Department of Social Geography and Regional Development, Charles University in Prague,
- Department of Geography and Demography, Charles University in Prague,
- Department of Applied Geoinformatics and Cartography, Charles University in Prague,
- Department of Geography of the University of South Bohemia in České Budejovice,
- Department of Geography, Faculty of Education, Masaryk University in Brno,
- Department of Physical Geography and Geoecology, Faculty of Science, University of Ostrava,
- Department of Human Geography and Regional Development, Faculty of Science, University of Ostrava,
- Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic
- Institute of Geological Sciences of the Jagiellonian University in Kraków,
- Institute of Geography and Spatial Management of the Jagiellonian University in Kraków.
- Department of Geography, Faculty of Arts, University of Maribor
- CERAMAC (Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Appliquées sur le Massif Central), Blaise Pascal Clermont Ferrand II University

The Department, through the Competence Centre, whose focus and technical equipment provides a wide range of opportunities, also cooperates with non-academic institutions/organisations that are focused on the provision of geospatial services. Currently these are PHOTOMAP s.r.o., Progres CAD Engineering s.r.o., T-MAPY spol. s.r.o.

- e) Characteristics of the possibilities for social, sports, cultural, spiritual, and social activities. UP students are provided with accommodation in four different facilities (ŠD - Ul. 17. novembra č.11; ŠD - Ul. 17. novembra č.13; ŠD - Nám. Mládeže č. 2; ŠD - Exnárova č. 36) and 2 specialized units (Orthodox Priest Seminary; Greek-Catholic Priest Seminary). The student house creates conditions for independent study and rest of the students in residence, for the cultural, social and sports life and for the development of the students' interests. Accommodation of UP students is arranged in double - quadruple rooms with separate sanitary rooms in each accommodation unit. In 2018, the renovation of ŠD 17. novembra 11 and 13 began, which was completed at the end of 2019. In 2021, the reconstruction of ŠD Nám. Mládeže č. 2. was finished. All facilities have internet connection directly in the rooms. There is a TV room, laundry, and kitchens on each floor. The University Pastoral Centre is available to students on the 11th floor. A hairdressing salon, a beauty salon and a health center offer their services on campus. Coffee and candy vending machines are available.

University students have the opportunity for free-time sports activities in UP sports facilities such as a swimming pool, gym, multipurpose sports complex, or multifunctional playground. In both semesters of the calendar year 2019, the Faculty of Sports organised the UP University Mixed Volleyball League and UP Football Mini-League for the students at the university, which are of constant popularity. The University Sports Days organized by the Faculty of Sports also have a long tradition, with almost 600 students

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actively participating in 2019. University students can also develop their sporting interests in several sports clubs and sections of TJ Slávia UP Prešov. Its annual membership consists of around 300 athletes. Every year, the Faculty of Sports also organises several periodic and non-periodic sports and sport-educational activities not only for students, but also for the public of different ages (Spring Run; Children's Sports Olympics of kindergartens; Olympic Pentathlon for Seniors; Run of the Olympic Day; Športáčik; ProSenior movement programme and others). In the implementation of these activities, the Faculty of Sports collaborates organizationally with students, the Prešov Olympic Club, and the City of Prešov.

There are 11 artistic ensembles at UP in Prešov, which are members of the University Council for Artistic Activities. They function at individual faculties of the university, whose professional guarantors are artistic directors. The members of the ensembles are mainly students at the University. The university's artistic ensembles are an example of the free time use of university students, they represent the university at domestic and international artistic events such as: academic competitions, shows, festivals, TV and radio performances, recordings, they significantly influence the cultural and social life of the university by individual performances and at all-university and faculty festive events, they represent and create the image of the university within the city of Prešov, the Prešov region, nationally and internationally.

The University Pastoral Centre of Dr. Štefan Hesek in Prešov (hereinafter UPC) <http://upc.unipo.sk/> is part of the nationwide network of university pastoral centers. Its main task is to care for the spiritual needs of university students and teachers. For its activities at UP, UPC uses the chapel in the ŠD on ul. 17. novembra, the TV room in ŠD Exnárová 36 and the aula no.100 at FHNS.

GREEK CATHOLIC YOUTH PASTORAL CENTRE. The Greek Catholic Youth Pastoral Centre (GMPC) www.gmpc.grkatpo.sk, founded by the Archbishop's Office in Prešov, is also active in the spiritual sphere at UP. GMPC cooperates very closely with GTF UP and offers various free-time activities. The role of this center is to offer a space for mostly young people working and studying in the city of Prešov to meet, to engage in dialogue, to live their faith more fully as well as to live their mutuality with each other and with the world. This is done on the basis of friendship, conversations, talks, invited lectures, spiritual and free-time activities.

Students' halls of residence and the canteen: <https://www.unipo.sk/sdi>

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<https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/9653/Vyrocn%C3%A1sprava%20o%20cinnosti%20Presovskej%20univerzity%20v%20Presove%20za%20rok%202020.pdf>

- f) Possibilities and conditions for participation of the study programme students in mobilities and internships (indicating contact details), application instructions, rules for recognition of this education.
- Participation of students of the study programme in mobility and internships (with contacts), guidelines for application, rules for recognition of this education, etc. is organised and legally secured by the Department of International Relations at the University of Presov (<https://www.unipo.sk/en/en/ir/>) and International Relations Office FHNS UP (<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/international-relations/>). The study programme allows for adequate learning outside the university in domestic and foreign institutions, in particularly through the promotion of mobility. The results of this learning are recognised by the university. Mobility is regulated in the Study Rules in the section on the organisation of educational activities. Approval for mobility is granted by the Dean/Rector or, where appropriate, the Vice-Dean/Vice-Rector for International Relations. Part of the study is recognised in accordance with the Treaty, the European Standard and the European Credit Transfer System. The Rector's Decision "Procedure for the Implementation of Outgoing Student Mobility under the Erasmus+ Programme" is issued at the University of Presov (UP) on the basis of the provisions of Section 15(1)(l) of Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and on Changes and Supplements to Some Acts, as amended. For exchange students, credits are evaluated based on their acquisition, i.e., the degree of compliance of the completed course with the given study programme is evaluated by the guarantor of the study. If the student is interested, he/she can also enroll in courses at his/her home institution and take the course by distance learning if the nature of the course allows it. Motivational videos, processes, procedures and guides for applying, selecting and completing mobilities are published on the websites: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/15742/outgoing_student_mobilita_uvv.jpg, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZRmnQ08NMfg>, https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/15172/Var%C5%A1ava_E+.mp4, <https://www.facebook.com/Presovskauniverzita/videos/1143643639391766>. Study Rules UP: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/11422/Study%20Rules%20of%20the%20University%20of%20Presov.pdf> Rector's Decision: <https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/10602/Opatrenie-rektora-8-05-31.pdf>

The Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics has the largest number of Erasmus+ partner universities in the whole University of Presov:

COUNTRY	NAME OF INSTITUTION	WEB PAGE	NUMBER OF STUDENTS	NUMBER OF TEACHERS	LEVEL OF STUDY
CZE	Jihočeská univerzita v Českých Budějovicích	http://www.jcu.cz/	2	2	B,M,D
CZE	Ostravská univerzita	http://www.osu.cz/	2	2	B,M,D
CZE	Technická univerzita v Liberci	http://www.tul.cz/	3	2	B, M
CZE	Univerzita Karlova v Praze	http://www.cuni.cz/	4	2	B,M,D
CZE	Univerzita Palackého v Olomouci	http://www.upol.cz/en/menu/erasmus-exchange/erasmus/	2	2	B,M,D
Estonia	University of Tartu	http://www.ut.ee/en	2	2	B,M,D
Finland	Oulu University of Applied Sciences	www.oamk.fi/en	4	2	B,M
Finland	University of Eastern Finland	https://www.uef.fi/en	2	1	B,M
France	Université Blaise Pascal Clermont Ferrand	http://www.univ-bpclermont.fr/rubrique103.html	2	2	B,M

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France	Université de Franche-Comté	http://univ-fcomte.fr/	2	2	B,M
France	Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne	http://www.english.paris-sorbonne.fr/admission/	2	2	B,M,D
Latvia	University of Latvia	http://www.lu.lv/eng/	2	1	B,M,D
Hungary	Eotvos Loránd University (ELTE)	http://www.elte.hu/en	2	2	B,M,D
Hungary	Károly Robert College	http://honlap.karolyrobert.hu/h_en/	2	2	B,M
Germany	Universität zu Köln	http://www.uni-koeln.de/	2	2	B,M,D
Poland	Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań	http://international.amu.edu.pl/	2	2	B,M,D
Poland	Jagiellonian University in Krakow	https://don.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/dla-studentow/erasmus	2	2	B,M,D
Poland	Pomeranian University in Słupsk	http://erasmus.apsl.edu.pl/en/	2	2	B,M
Poland	University of Lodz	http://iso.uni.lodz.pl/	2	1	B,M,D
Poland	University of Rzeszow	http://www.ur.edu.pl/en/university/erasmus	2	2	D
Poland	University of Warsaw	http://www.uw.edu.pl/en/	2	2	B,M,D
Poland	Uniwersytet Ekonomiczny w Krakowie	http://www.uek.krakow.pl/en	0	2	
Portugal	University of Lisbon	http://igot.ulisboa.pt/national-and-international-mobility/?lang=en	3	2	B, M, D
Austria	Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz	http://international.uni-graz.at/en/erasmusplus/	2	1	B,M
Romania	Universitatea din Oradea	https://www.uoradea.ro	4	2	B,M,D
Slovenia	University of Maribor	http://www.um.si/Strani/default.aspx	1	1	B,M,D
Slovenia	University of Primorska	http://www.upr.si/	2	2	B,M,D
Slovenia	Univerza v Ljubljani	http://www.uni-lj.si/	2	2	B,M,D
Spain	Universidad de Girona	http://www.udg.edu/	1	1	M,D
Turkey	Tekirdag Namig Kemal University	http://internations.nku.edu.tr/	2	2	B, M

The Department of Geography and Applied Geoinformatics is a member of the international network CEEPUS (Central European Exchange Program for University Studies) GEOREGNET NETWORK (SI 111) within which students and teachers can take advantage of mobility to one of 15 partner universities: University of Graz, University of Ljubljana, University of Mostar, Jagiellonian University in Krakow, University of Novi Sad, Palacký University in Olomouc, University of Oradea, University of Pécs, Charles University in Prague, University of Primorska, University of Sarajevo, University of St Kliment Ohridski in Sofia, University of Tuzla, University of Zadar, University of Zagreb (<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/katedry/geografia/mobility/ceepus/>).

Other mobility opportunities (SAIA, Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP) Scholarship; Internships through AIESEC; Internships in Canada; Study in Japan; Visegrad Fund) for students are listed at: <https://www.unipo.sk/en/en/ir/>

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9. Required abilities and admission requirements for the study programme applicants

a) Required abilities and necessary admission requirements.

The long-term goal and strategic objective of the University is to prepare quality graduates in accredited study programmes. The precondition for achieving this goal is to admit students who meet demanding quality criteria. The University has developed a system of procedures for the admission of students elaborated in the Study Rules of The University of Presov in Articles 3 through 9 and in the Rector's Decision Admission Procedure.

The specific conditions of the admission procedure, corresponding to the specifics and peculiarities of study programmes, have been elaborated by each faculty. At FHNS UP, applicants are admitted to all bachelor study programmes without an entrance examination. Admission is based on the results obtained during high school studies (the academic average of the end-of-year school reports and the graduation certificate). If the number of applicants exceeds the faculty's capacity, priority will be given to applicants with a better academic average.

In determining the order of admission, the resulting academic average will be multiplied by the coefficient for the secondary school type: grammar school 0,6, secondary vocational school 0,8 and secondary apprentice school 1,0).

Exceptional admission will be granted to applicants whose average (1st to 3rd year of secondary school) does not exceed 1.70 in grammar school, 1.40 in other secondary schools (without multiplication by the secondary school coefficient).

The admission procedure for a study programme applicant begins with the delivery of his/her written application for study to the faculty or university that implements the relevant study programme. In addition to the compulsory written application, the faculty also allows the delivery of the application in electronic form without a guaranteed digital signature, using an information system that enables the applicant to verify its registration in the information system from the date of its submission until the date of the end of the admission procedure. The dean may decide whether the admission procedure will include an entrance examination or whether applicants will be admitted without an entrance examination. In justified cases, the dean of the faculty may announce a second round of the admission procedure. In the case of a study programme conducted at a university, the rector decides on matters in which the dean has a decision-making power. The course and timetable of the entrance examination are determined by the dean of the faculty. The faculty determines the form and content of the entrance examination. The dean appoints the chairpersons of examination boards and admissions committees. The entrance examination takes place on the appointed date; however, the faculty may also

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appoint an alternative date. The dean may be asked for an alternative date for the admission examination by applicants who are attending secondary school abroad in the relevant year. The dean decides on admission to study. The dean's admissions committee, whose members are appointed by the dean, is an advisory body to the dean. The rector decides on admission to a study programme at the university. The rector's admissions committee, whose members are appointed by the rector, is an advisory body to the rector. The decision on the outcome of the admission procedure must be given in writing within 30 days of verification that the conditions for admission have been fulfilled. The decision must contain a statement, justification, and an instruction on the possibility of applying for a review of the decision. An applicant who does not prove that the basic conditions for admission have been met at the time of verification of admission conditions, may be admitted conditionally, provided that he or she is under an obligation to prove that the basic conditions for admission are met no later than on the date set for enrolment.

UP Rector's Decision No. 5/2021 Admission Procedure: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/0190/OR_prijimacie_konanie-2.docx.pdf

b) Admission procedures.

Admission procedures to study at the University of Presov are organizationally and legally anchored in the Rector's Decision No.5/2021 and are available at: https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/0190/OR_prijimacie_konanie-2.docx.pdf (point 5.1 Information on the admission process). Specific and detailed information about the admission process for FHNS study programmes are available at: <https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/informacie-pre-uchadzacov/pk/>.

c) Results of the admission process over the last period.

Academic year	Number of applications	Number of enrolled students
2016/2017	1	1
2017/2018	0	0
2018/2019	0	0
2019/2020	1	1
2020/2021	0	0
2021/2022	0	0

10. Feedback on the quality of provided education

a) Procedures for monitoring and evaluating students' opinions on the study programme quality.

The organizational and legal aspects of the processes for monitoring and evaluating students' opinions on the study programme quality are published at :

<https://www.unipo.sk/search/?q=sp%C3%A4tn%C3%A1+v%C3%A4zba>

<https://www.unipo.sk/rozvoj/MIKT/dotaznik/>

Feedback on the quality of the provided education is carried out on a regular basis (every semester) through a questionnaire in the MAIS system.

b) Results of student feedback and related measures to improve the study programme quality.

The results of the student feedback are presented and consulted at the FHNS Dean's Collegium meeting.

Evidence: Minutes of the FHNS Dean's Collegium meeting.

c) Results of graduate feedback and related measures to improve the study programme quality.

The results of graduate feedback on the SP submitted for accreditation, implemented at the university level were presented and consulted at the FHNS Dean's Collegium meeting. The results of the feedback from graduates and employers' representatives on the Regional Geography and Regional Development study programme, the curriculum and the information sheet provide written comments, critical observations, suggestions and recommendations on the curriculum, the content of individual courses and the information sheets. The minutes, video, and photo documentation of the meeting with graduates and employers' representatives held online on 13.12.2021 are available.

These comments and observations were noted and discussed at the department's work meeting on 21.12.2021 and some of them were incorporated into the content of individual courses and infolists. Measures related to the improvement of the quality of the study programme are in accordance with the documents Basic Principles of Assurance and Evaluation of the Internal Quality System of the University of Presov in Presov:

https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/39741/Rector's%20Decision%20No.%201_2021%20Basic%20principles%20of%20the%20IQS.pdf

Directive on the creation, modification, approval, cancellation of study programmes and submission of applications for accreditation of study programmes and fields of habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings at the University of Presov in Presov:

https://www.unipo.sk/public/media/39741/Rector's%20Decision%20No.%202_2021%20Directive%20on%20the%20creation,%20modification,%20approval,%20cancellation%20of%20SP%20and%20submission%20of%20applications%20for%20accreditation.pdf

11. References to other relevant internal regulations and information concerning the study or the study programme student (e.g study guide, accommodation regulations, fee directive, guidelines for student loans, etc.).

Relevant internal regulations and information regarding the study or the study programme student are available from:

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/en/study/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences>

<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/hlavne-sekcie/vz/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/hlavne-sekcie/VSK/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/fakulta-humanitnych-prirodných-vied/AS-FHPV/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/informacie-o-univerzite/ouniverzite/dokumenty/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/vsk/dvsk/>

<https://www.unipo.sk/en/faculty-of-humanities-and-natural-sciences/geography/>

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