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in the heart of Europe

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APPLICATION  
DEADLINE:  
31 MARCH

# PhD in Economics



Alumni employed in more  
than 40 countries worldwide



3:1 student-faculty ratio



All PhD students receive financial  
support toward living costs for 5 years

# About CERGE-EI

## First-rate research

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

## Diverse community

- Students from more than 30 countries with a variety of backgrounds: economics, mathematics, physics, computer science, and business
- International faculty members
- Reading groups, coffee breaks, food parties, student trips, sports club events, Graduation Gala

## Unique location

- In the center of Prague, a 5-minute walk from Wenceslas Square
- Beautiful study environment in the historical Schebek Palace
- Excellent facilities: Jan Kmenta Library, Digital Media Center, students' offices and lounges

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Charles University is among the top 150 universities in economics according to the 2022 Global Ranking of Academic Subjects

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CERGE-EI alumni live and work in more than 40 countries

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CERGE-EI researchers were awarded 3 grants from the European Research Council (ERC) – the most prestigious funder of excellent research in Europe

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# About the program

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

# Career prospects

- Graduates employed worldwide
- International careers in academia
- Research positions in public policy institutions (government ministries, central banks) international organizations, think-tanks, and private sector positions
- Job market preparation and placement assistance



## Orientation Week

- Registration of students
- Preparatory sessions (Mathematics, MATLAB)
- Social events



## Year 1

- Mandatory courses ( Microeconomics I, Macroeconomics I, Statistics and Econometrics)
- Core General Exams

## Year 2

- Elective courses
- Field General Exams
- Research Methodology Seminar
- Assistantship



## Year 3

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

## Year 4

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

## Admissions

Deadline: 31 March

### Requirements:

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

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“CERGE-EI provided me with a strong analytical background so important in modern economics as well as gave me an opportunity to participate in many important research projects aiming to improve the living standards in the Czech Republic.”

Jakub Grossmann  
Economic Analyst at Czech National Bank

“The Ph.D. program in Economics has given us excellent tools to succeed globally.”

Michaela Erbenová  
Deputy Director at the Institute for Capacity Development,  
International Monetary Fund

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

Joseph Stiglitz  
Professor at Columbia University, Nobel Laureate in Economics

