

On February 1st, 2021, the Government of the Czech Republic announced a new set of anti-COVID measures and restrictions valid as of February 5th, 2021. To comply with these measures, Masaryk University has to adapt its rules for the accommodation of international students in the MU Halls of Residence based on their country of origin.

In the aforementioned set of anti-COVID measures, the Government defines four categories of arrival countries according to the epidemiological risk (see also Czech Ministry of Interior [web pages](#) and conditions of entry at MU [web pages](#)):

Rules for entry and return to the Czechia (as of 5th February 2021)

for travels exceeding 12 hours



	PUBLIC HEALTH PASSENGER LOCATOR FORM	TEST BEFORE THE DEPARTURE	TEST AFTER THE ARRIVAL	LIMITATION OF THE FREE MOVEMENT/ SELF-ISOLATION	MOUTH AND NOSE PROTECTION
GREEN COUNTRY	NO	NO	NO	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹
ORANGE COUNTRY	YES	ANTIGEN or PCR (max 48 hours before the departure)	NO	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹ (employees and students have to submit a negative test result before entering the workplace or school)	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹ + 10 days after the arrival obligation to wear a respirator FFP2 or a surgical mask outside
RED COUNTRY	YES	ANTIGEN or PCR (max 48 hours before the departure)	PCR (within 5 days after the arrival)	SELF-ISOLATION UNTIL THE SUBMISSION OF THE NEGATIVE TEST RESULT (employees and students have to submit a negative test result before entering the workplace or school)	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹ + 10 days after the arrival obligation to wear a respirator FFP2 or a surgical mask outside
DARK RED COUNTRY	YES	PCR (max 48 hours before the departure)	PCR (no sooner than 5 th day after the arrival)	SELF-ISOLATION UNTIL THE SUBMISSION OF THE NEGATIVE TEST RESULT (no sooner than 5 days after the arrival) (employees and students have to submit a negative test result before entering the workplace or school)	ACCORDING TO THE PES ¹ + 10 days after the arrival obligation to wear a respirator FFP2 (strongly recommended) or a surgical mask outside

There are exceptions from these rules, particularly for the international transport and regular cross-border movement (cross-border workers, pupils and students, persons having rights of custody or rights of visitation).

¹ PES - anti-epidemic system of the Czech Republic

Please check here <https://www.muni.cz/en/coronavirus/information-for-students#travelling> for the list of countries falling into the different categories; the page is updated regularly according to the latest official information (which is not always true for the pages in English of the Czech Ministries of Public Health and Foreign Affairs).

Apart from following the general rules for entry to the Czech Republic (see above), there are four possible check-in scenarios in the MU halls of residence:

1. Students from the **Green** countries:
 - a. Can check-in according to the original reservation date with no restrictions
 - b. No COVID-19 test needed upon arrival

2. Students from the **Orange** countries:
 - a. Can check-in according to the original reservation date
 - b. A COVID-19 negative test result from their home country is required
 - c. No isolation nor ban on free movement are imposed
 - d. A respirator FFP2 or a surgical mask are compulsory during 10 days after arrival

3. Students from the **Red** countries:
 - a. Can check-in according to the original reservation date only in case they can provide negative results of two COVID-19 tests:
 - i. the first one taken before arrival to the Czech Republic and
 - ii. the second one taken within 5 days after arrival to the Czech Republic (see the details in the table above).
 - b. A respirator FFP2 or a surgical mask are compulsory during 10 days after arrival
4. Students from the **Dark red** countries:
 - a. Can check-in according to the original reservation date only in case they can provide negative results of two COVID-19 tests:
 - i. the first one taken before arrival to the Czech Republic and
 - ii. the second one taken no sooner than 5 days after arrival to the Czech Republic (see the details in the table above).
 - b. A respirator FFP2 or a surgical mask are compulsory during 10 days after arrival.

Students from the categories 3+4 who cannot produce a second negative COVID-19 test upon check-in in the MU halls of residence have to undergo obligatorily a 5-day isolation period according to the conditions defined here: <https://www.mvcr.cz/mvcren/file/conditions-for-entry-of-persons-to-the-czech-territory-valid-from-february-5th-2021-20210203-pdf.aspx> (the exact information on the conditions to be respected during isolation are described at the bottom of the text).

Unfortunately, due to capacity reasons, Masaryk University is unable to meet these requirements and to provide the accommodation in its premises to students during the period of isolation.

Therefore, Masaryk University offers the possibility to spend the isolation period in a four-star [Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre](#) (address: [Křížkovského 20, 603 00 Brno](#)).

Only students with the valid MU halls of residence reservation for any dates from 5th February 2021 onwards can spend the period of isolation in the Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre; students with no MU halls of residence reservation will not be accepted. Students with MU halls of residence valid reservation will be accommodated as a regular hotel guest for a reduced price of CZK 500 (approx. 21 €) for a night. The minimum reservation period is five nights.

How to get to the hotel:

If you decide to get there on your own from the main railway station in Brno, or the bus station by Hotel Grand (these stations are very close to each other), take tram No. 1 in the direction of “Bystrc” and get off at the stop called “Mendlovo náměstí”. Then cross the area with bus platforms and go towards to cathedral to the street called “Hlinky” (app. 50 metres away). Take bus No. 84 (stop called “Mendlovo náměstí) in the direction of “Stará Osada” to the stop called “Velodrom” (the second stop). Walk app. 100 metres back in the direction from which you arrived by bus. The Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre will be located on the same side of the road.

You can arrive at The Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre at any time, there is a 24/7 service at the reception; the receptionist will check your name against the list provided by Masaryk University (students with no reservation at MU halls of residence will not be accommodated!) and will give you the key to your room.

Hotel services:

- free wi-fi
- in-house restaurant with room delivery
- students can order meals from third party providers as well (with lobby pick-up)

At check-in in Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre, you will have to:

- provide a valid ID
- provide a negative COVID-19 test result (antigen or PCR test results based on the category) as a hard copy document (students can get it printed out at the check in if emailed to reception.qbex@q-hotels.cz)
- pay for the whole stay (minimum of 5 nights) at check-in
- pay at check-out for any additional services during your stay in the hotel
- follow all the accommodation rules set by the hotel
- check-out before 10:00 a.m.

How to proceed:

- 1) Masaryk University will inform the Brno Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre about your reservation in MU halls of residence so that you can freely arrive on the first day of your MU reservation to the Brno Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre for the five-day long isolation period. If you want to arrive earlier to this hotel than the original reservation with MU, you need to first change your reservation with MU (email your request to ubytovani@skm.muni.cz)
- 2) If your isolation period is shorter you will still pay for 5 nights; it may happen to students from the red countries, but they can obviously use the full five-day period in the hotel even if they already have received then result of their second COVID-19 test.
- 3) If your isolation period is longer than 5 days, you will pay for the real number of nights spent in the hotel; it will probably happen to students from the dark red countries who must have their second test done no sooner than 5 days after the arrival to the Czech Republic, and then wait for the result.
- 4) You can pay in cash in CZK, EUR, USD or by card and you pay for at least five days at check-in. You can make your reservation longer at any point, but the hotel can limit your stay till the day you receive your PCR test results taken in the Czech Republic.
- 5) You will be able to order meals from the hotel restaurant with the room delivery or you can order meals from online based services (you can pick-up the delivery in the hotel lobby) such as:
 - Online shopping and grocery delivery:
 - [Rohlik.cz](https://www.rohlik.cz)
 - [iTESCO](https://www.itesco.cz) (incl. pharmacy)
 - Food delivery
 - [DameJidlo](https://www.damejido.cz)
 - <http://www.la-patas.cz/>
 - Online Pharmacy
 - www.brnenskalekarna.cz
- 6) After receiving the results of the PCR test taken in the Czech Republic:

- a. in case of a negative test result, you will move into the reserved MU hall of residence. You start paying for the MU halls of residence from the day of your check-in there. The MU halls of residence are informed about your check-in in the hotel and keep your reservation valid. The negative test result can be sent to ubytovani@skm.muni.cz to be printed for check-in in the halls of residence).
- b. in case of a positive test result, you will move into the B&B Hotel University Brno on Vinarska 5c (block A3 MU Vinařská halls of residence). You start paying for the MU halls of residence from the day of check in there and stay there until your isolation after positive PCR test ends (usually 10 days). The positive test result can be sent to ubytovani@skm.muni.cz to be printed for check-in in the halls of residence). See what to do in case your test result is positive at <https://czs.muni.cz/en/coronavirus# covid-19-what-to-do>

Questions:

PCR COVID-19 testing places in Brno (fee-based):

<https://www.muni.cz/en/koronavirus/news/testing-locations-for-self-payers>

MU halls of residence: ubytovani@skm.muni.cz

MU emergency email: emergency@czs.muni.cz or

MU emergency phone number for incoming students at +420 777 44 86 86 (incl. WhatsApp)

The Brno Quality Hotel Brno Exhibition Centre contact:

<https://www.qualityhotelbrnoexhibitioncentre.com/en/contact/>