

## FAQ about the TRIP TO PRAGUE 2017

If you have been accepted into the Neuroscience Study Abroad in Salamanca Spain, you may take an optional trip to Prague to take a short course on Neuroscience Methods. Our hosts in Prague are investigators on the auditory system that happen to be members of the Czech Institute of Experimental Medicine in the Czech Academy of Sciences. We will visit labs and learn about eight types of neuroscience methods.

The schedule is as follows:

1. We have booked space for 30 students in Masarykova kolej, the St Charles University Hotel/Hostel. Most are shared rooms at 25€ (\$35) a night.
2. Make your travel plans now to get good prices. You will give me that information later in a shared Google document.
3. We will have a pre-departure meeting for the Prague trip in Salamanca a few days before we go. We will discuss details about meeting and transport in Prague at that meeting.

### DEPARTURE

Wednesday, May 31 is the travel day. On Wednesday, those with an afternoon departure can take either bus or train. The 12:30 pm or earlier train or the 11:00 bus will get you there for the 5:25 pm flight.

### FROM MADRID

Czech Air (Iberia) flies non-stop to Prague from Madrid. Many other options are available with one stop. I am booked on IB 7884 at 2:55pm.

### GENERAL

### INFORMATION:

The Czech local currency is the Czech crown (CZK). The exchange rate is approx. 1 Euro = 27.4 Czech crowns or 1 USD=24.5 CZK. Change money only at official Check Points (baggage claim area at the airport, airport arrival hall, hotels, banks, Check Points on streets). Money exchange is also available at the reception of hotel Masarykova kolej. Smaller shops accept only Czech crowns; superstores and some other shops also accept credit cards and Euros.

Your hostel is **Masarykova kolej** directly opposite the **Vienna House Hotel** where Dr Oliver will stay.

<https://www.suz.cvut.cz/en/dormitories/the-masarykova-dormitory>. Please see and save the link to my Google map of Prague at <https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=zNGLJ6NG-7U4.kcxO8Xk3Fc5w>

All of the expenses for the trip will be paid by you directly for airline, hostel, food, etc at the time of purchase. So you will determine the final cost. You should arrange travel from Madrid to Prague and return as soon as possible.

### COST ESTIMATE:

Prague hostel, 4 nights (Sat-Tues)	100€ (\$139) (we reserve the rooms, you pay the hostel)
Local transport	\$15 (subway, trolley, and bus pass)
MAD to PRG roundtrip air	\$240 (estimate; you purchase the ticket)
Food	\$170 (estimate)

Other than the course fee, anything you can arrange for yourself that is cheaper will be fine with us. We are pretty confident about the prices for travel and hostels.

### RETURN

Plan to return on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. I am booked on IB 7885 that departs Prague at 11:10 am.