

International Week Olomouc 30 September – 4 October 2019

Practical Info

Travel instructions:

Getting from Prague to Olomouc

If you are planning to come by plane, you will probably come to international Václav Havel Airport Prague (PRG).

The most comfortable way how to get from the airport to the railway station is using a bus line called <u>Airport Express</u>. The bus will take you to the station in cca 30-40 minutes.

You can use taxi but those at the airport are the most expensive. If you still prefer to go by taxi, we suggest calling City taxi (257 257 257).

Travelling from Prague to Olomouc by train is the most comfortable way that is why we suggest you go for this option.

At the Main Railway Station you need to buy a ticket to Olomouc (the approximate pronunciation of the city name is "O-lo-moats"). Try to find ČD Centrum (Czech Railways Information Office) where they will speak English. A single ticket from Prague to Olomouc costs around 250 CZK. You can decide if you want to travel with Czech railways or private companies such as Regiojet or Leo express. The trip to Olomouc takes approximately 2 hours 15 minutes.

If you want to check available connections by trains, coaches, buses and public transport as well, you can use the Internet Timetable Information System known as <u>IDOS</u>. System helps you to search all kinds of connections, from the international ones till the trams timetables in Olomouc. It is also available in English and German.

Please note:

In some cases it might be more advantageous and comfortable to use the Vienna Schwechat airport. There might be a direct flight from/to your destination. Vienna is even nearer to Olomouc than Prague, on the other hand, there are fewer possibilities to get to Olomouc from Vienna. But it is feasible. You can travel either by Regiojet buses or by train. IDOS will help you to find your way.

Public transport in Olomouc

Olomouc has a dense public transport network which consists of tram and bus lines. The major operator is <u>Dopravní podnik města</u> Olomouce (Olomouc Public Transport Company).

Tickets

For legal travelling by public transport you need a valid ticket. The ticket is only valid when marked by the machine on the vehicle so you need to have it before entering the vehicle. Tickets and fares are the same for trams and buses. A single ticket costs 14 CZK and is valid within all parts of Olomouc city for 40 minutes (60 mins at the weekend).

You might also purchase a weekly ticket for the public transport, but you need to provide a passport photo at the ticket office at the railway station. If you are planning on using public transport on a daily basis, it is more economical.

Where to stay

In Olomouc there are many possibilities of accommodation. Here you can find some of our tips:

- Hotel Palac even nearer to the faculty, almost across the street, quite new/ recently reopened after a huge renovation; from 55 EUR for a single room/night.
- <u>Penzion U Jakuba</u> right in the city centre, within 20 min walk of the faculty (or 5 min by tram). Cca 57 EUR for a single room/night.
- Hotel Arigone in the city centre, within 15 min walk of the faculty; above 76 EUR for a single room/night.
- Hotel Comfort if you are used to this hotel chain. You will need about 30 min to walk to the faculty, or 10 min to go by tram.
- Hotel Clarion another chain; right opposite the railway station, 10 min to the faculty, 25 min to the city centre.
- <u>Theresian Hotel & Spa</u> a brand new boutique hotel in the city centre, 100 EUR per night for a double room, about 20 min to walk to the faculty.
- <u>University dormitories</u> within 5 min to the faculty, moderate prices: 25-30 EUR per night.

Please make your own reservation/booking.