

AAU Parent & Family | 2024-2025 |

Resource Guide





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WELCOME

Dear families,

Welcome to Anglo-American University's Family Resource Guide. We can't wait to welcome you and your students to our campus community.

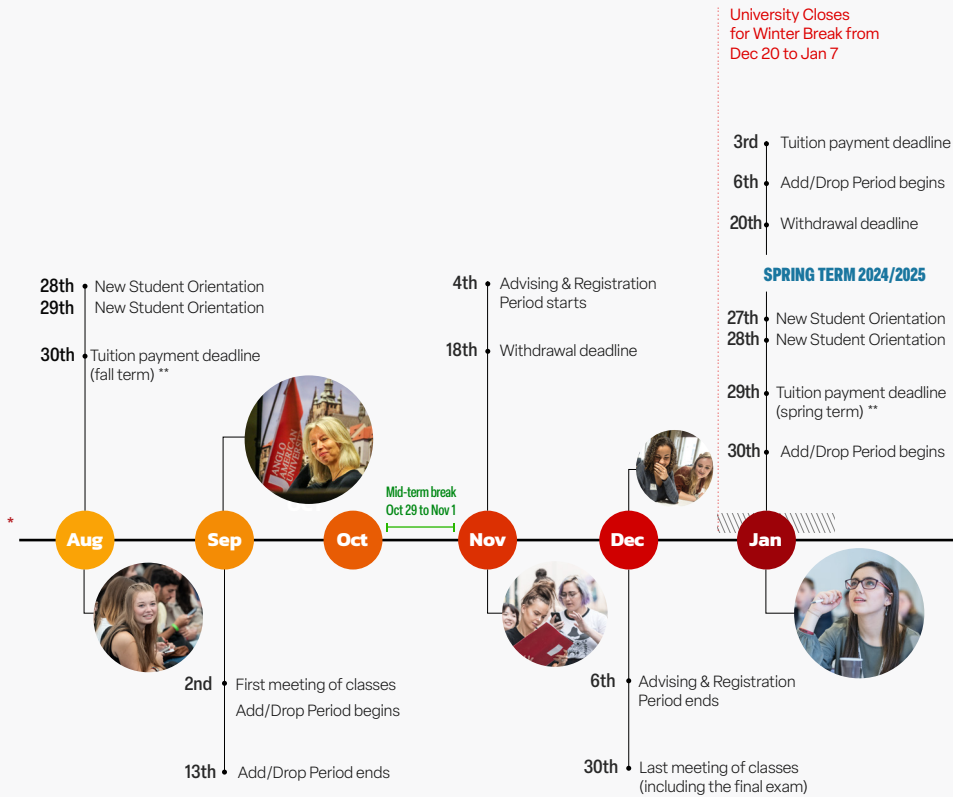
Our primary aim is to offer you the resources and up to date information necessary to assist your student on their journey to AAU. This guide serves as your initial point of contact for any inquiries you may have regarding the AAU experience.

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ACADEMIC | 2024-2025 | Fall Semester

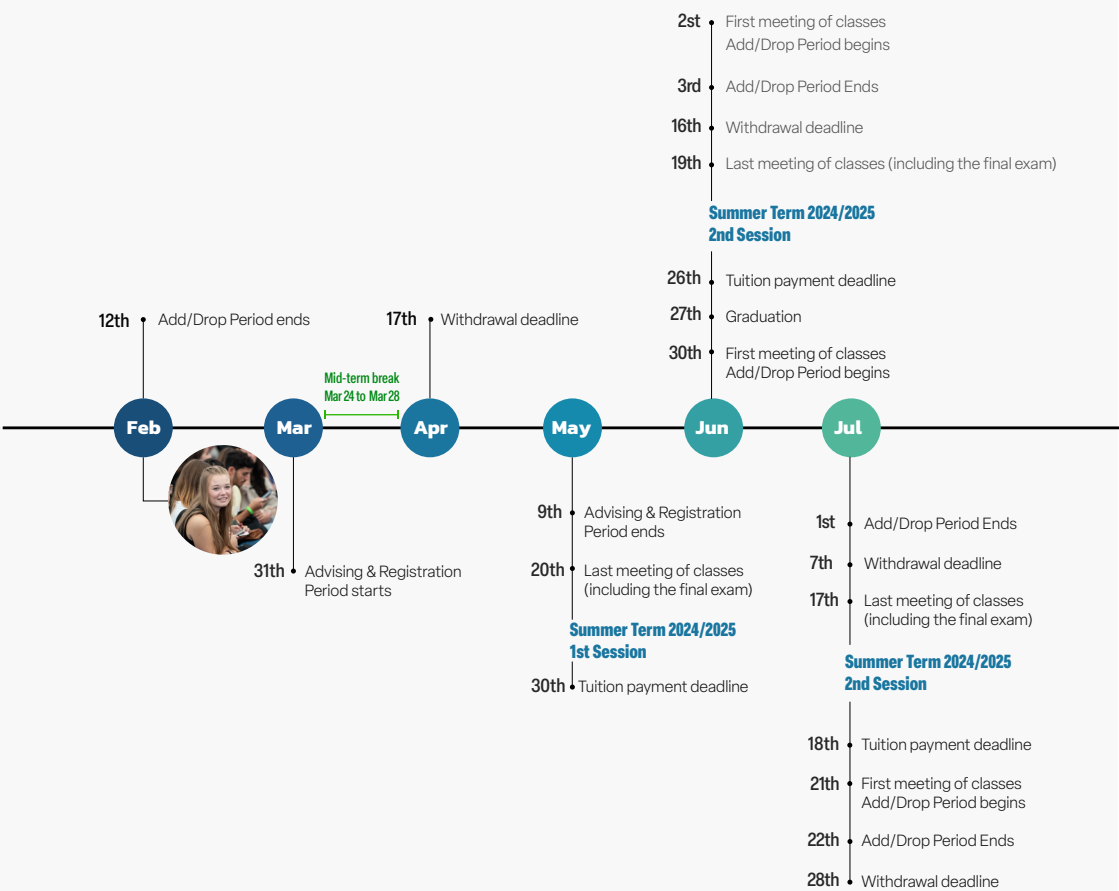
Year Timeline



* Steps for New Students Before Semester Starts.
** The tuition deadline for new students is much sooner due to visa and registration needs.

Fall Term Instruction Schedule:

Year Timeline



Spring Term Instruction Schedule:

Academics & Accreditations

The first private university in the Czech Republic to use English as the language of instruction, AAU continually pushes students to achieve their highest potential.

ONE DEGREE. TWO ACCREDITATIONS.

AAU is the first institution in Europe to have received the prestigious [WSCUC accreditation](#), an American accrediting agency that is recognized by the US government. This Accreditation allows for each of our students to graduate with an American degree, and open doors to a vast global and educational market.

AAU degree programs are also accredited

by the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports of the Czech Republic or the National Accreditation Bureau for Higher Education in the [Czech Republic](#). This accreditation gives degrees obtained at AAU wide recognition throughout Europe due to the Czech Republic's membership in the European Union. This accreditation allows students the opportunity to graduate with an EU degree.



AMERICAN ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

Each of our students is automatically enrolled into our American Accreditation program and can opt-in to be enrolled in our dual EU Program per their choice.

[Please see more information](#)

DEGREE STRUCTURE

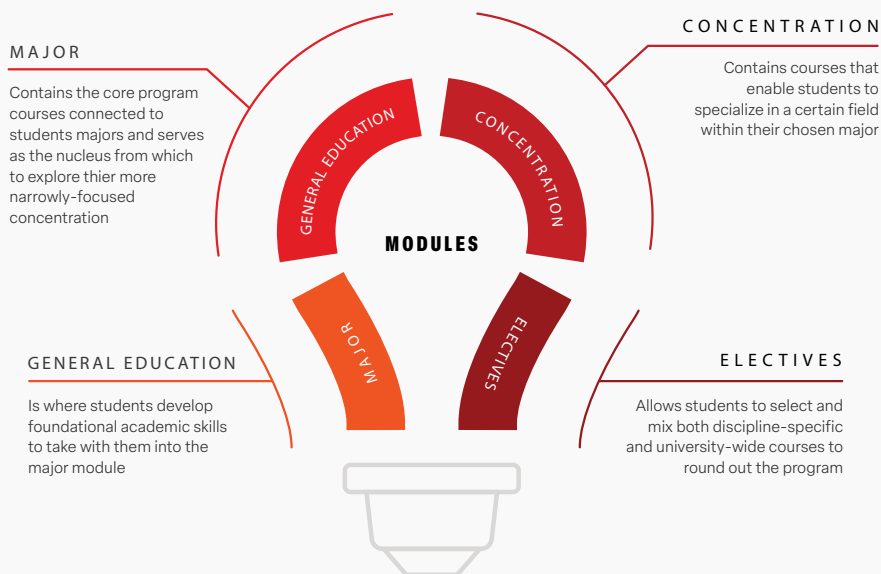
Undergraduate degrees at AAU are 90 US credits, designed to be completed in three years when studying full-time. All programs culminate with a thesis project, allowing

students to conduct research into a specific aspect of their studies, demonstrating mastery of the subject.

STUDY STRUCTURE

Our undergraduate programs follow a modular structure, composed of blocks of courses dedicated to achieving different learning outcomes. This variability allows students to take a more tailored approach to their studies.

Here's how it works:



TRANSITION to Campus

Transitioning to life on Campus can be challenging for some students, but AAU is here to help. Check out a few of the many student resources AAU provides.

NEW STUDENT MENTORS PROGRAM & STUDENT ORIENTATION

New students are welcomed to AAU during the week before classes each term, known as Orientation Week! This week helps students get to know their peers and professors as well as become adjusted to campus life. Each year New Student Mentors help host orientation and act as a friendly face on campus for the remainder of their time at AAU.



STUDENT SERVICES CENTER

The Student Services Center is equipped to help students with all things from Health Insurance and Residency permits, to transferring credits or completing Nostrification. Whatever it may be, the Student Services Center staff are designed to support students from the moment they enter our community.

[Click on for more information regarding the opening hours of student services:](#)



PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING SERVICES

AAU is proud to offer students on-site psychological counseling services from our registered Psychologists. Each student is allocated four free sessions per semester to use at their discretion, and more can be scheduled by request.

JOURNEY TO AAU

Visa Procedures

Everyone's journey to AAU is different. If your student is not an EU citizen or Czech National and does not possess an EU passport, they will most likely need to obtain a visa in order to study in the Czech Republic.

AAU recommends that students schedule a meeting with an Admissions Counselor as soon as they receive their decision from AAU. Our Admissions Counselors will be able to provide you with the guidance to begin the visa process.

[Click on for *More Information*](#)

Since documentation requirements and processing times can vary greatly by location and by student, AAU does not recommend receiving advice from individuals outside of your direct consulate or embassy, a trusted immigration lawyer, or the AAU Admissions Office.

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If you or your student have concerns about the visa process, please contact our admissions department, who will be happy to direct you to the appropriate services.

ACADEMIC Support

AAU prides itself on small, interactive classes designed for authentic engagement and discussion. The individual attention from professors, diverse community, and emphasis on practical learning close the gap between education and real-world experience, preparing students for the ever-changing global marketplace.

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO: 12:1

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 20 STUDENTS

ACADEMIC RESOURCES:

Free Textbooks

Students receive all materials for the duration of their class period at the beginning of the semester, included in the price of tuition.

AAU Library

Access thousands of free textbooks and journals, as well as a nice place for students to study on campus!

Academic Tutoring Center

Designed to support students who are looking for extra help in their classes

Composition Course

Each undergraduate student at AAU will complete a composition course, designed to help develop and improve a students critical thinking skills, organization and writing. This class acts as a foundation for all of their courses at AAU.



STUDENT LIFE AT AAU

Student clubs are a fantastic way for your students to immerse themselves in the AAU community.

Initiating a club is straightforward – just bring an idea and gather 10 other students. Alternatively, your student can become a part of any of the 30+ existing groups on campus.

With the support of the AAU Student Council and our committed Student Life Specialist, we ensure that all clubs operate seamlessly. Among our most popular clubs, your student will find:

- Rock Climbing Club
- Yoga Club
- Film Watchers Club
- Students Against Violence
- Digital Media Club
- Photography Club
- Business and Finance Club
- Football Club
- Basketball Club
- and more...

Activities & Clubs



Additionally, our community hosts over 100 on and off-campus events each school year to give students the chance to stay involved and meet new friends!

PROCESS OF

Nostrification

At AAU we offer dual degree programs, which includes both US and EU degrees. In order for some students to be eligible for the EU degree track, they must undergo the process of Nostrification.

Nostrification is a state-administered process that compares a student's foreign education to a Czech education on the same level to validate that the education is equal. Your student's education will be compared to one of the standard programs of Czech secondary education or bachelor's education and matched if equivalent.

The process of nostrification is different for each student and AAU is here to help!

AAU has a dedicated *[nostrification specialist for students to help](#)* them with any questions they may have throughout the process. Students can choose to begin the process as soon as they arrive on campus by reaching out to our Nostrification specialist.

Although Nostrification is not required, there are some benefits to graduating with our Dual US and EU degree. For example:

- The ability to work as a student
 - Multiple-month visa-free stay in the EU for job searching post-graduation
 - Ability to participate in Erasmus
- And more!

Students who hold some degrees are exempt from this process. These degrees include Czech, German, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, Slovenian, and European baccalaureate high school diplomas.



STUDENT Health

Not only is Prague renowned for its stunning beauty, but it's also recognized for its exceptional safety. Nonetheless, we understand that unforeseen events can occur, and at AAU, we are committed to providing our community with comprehensive resources to address any obstacles.



HEALTH INSURANCE

Ensuring your student has appropriate health insurance while attending AAU is crucial for their well-being. Below is some essential information to help you navigate the insurance options and requirements:

Insurance Provider Options

Students applying for a long-term visa or stay in the Czech Republic can now choose from multiple authorized insurance providers. While PVZP remains a reliable option, other recommended providers include AXA and SV Pojišťovna.



Increased Indemnity Limits

The coverage limit for health insurance has been significantly increased to **EUR 400,000** per insured incident. This enhancement offers greater financial security in case of medical emergencies.



We understand that selecting the right insurance plan can be challenging. For personalized assistance, please contact Michaela Le Poidevin, our dedicated AAU Health Insurance agent. She is available to provide expert guidance and support free of charge.

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Your child's health and well-being during their stay in the Czech Republic are our top priorities. We are here to help you every step of the way.

Comprehensive Coverage and Pre-existing Health Conditions

Comprehensive health care coverage includes essential medical services, hospital transfers, hospitalization, prescription medications, repatriations (with limits), and emergency care. Dental care is also covered up to specified limits. It is important to note that the comprehensive coverage options assume a full state of health without pre-existing conditions. If you have a pre-existing health condition that you wish to have covered, please be aware that PVZP is the only company currently offering this option for an additional charge, subject to their assessment.

MAKING APPOINTMENTS

Students with PZVP medical insurance seeking a doctor or to schedule an appointment should always use the provided assistance line. Failure to make this call may result in the denial of medical expense claims. The assistance service will schedule the next available appointment with the doctor or specialist they need.

Click on for More Information:

Call the helpline: +420 296 841 333



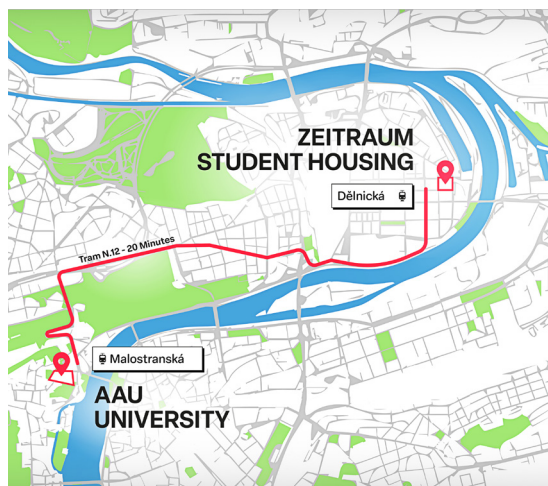
AAU OFFERS STUDENT Housing

AAU can provide housing to students in our off-campus housing facility, Zeitraum. Located just 20 minutes away by tram, Zeitraum provides students with everything they need to have a swift transition when moving to Prague. Located in the trendy neighborhood of Prague 7, Holešovice, students can enjoy an eclectic neighborhood full of students, international expats, and locals alike. It's no mistake that Holešovice has been named one of the top 10 coolest neighborhoods in Europe according to

[The Guardian \(2020\).](#)

Located in the trendy neighborhood of Prague 7:

HOLEŠOVICE



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Housing video
LOCATED IN HOLEŠOVICE



The building has 7 floors, 111 total rooms, and the possibility to choose from double or single rooms. Accommodation is offered for the full Fall or Spring semester, as well as for the entire academic year. If capacity allows, students can also be accommodated in the Winter and Summer terms as well. Each room comes fully equipped with all the necessary furniture and appliances to make moving to Prague as smooth as possible!

While AAU housing is not required for students, it is recommended for first-year students. Choosing AAU housing can allow for a smooth transition to Prague, as well as ease during the visa process.



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Safety & Security

In the event that a student experiences illness or emergency, there are multiple resources for them in Prague.

THE GENERAL EU EMERGENCY NUMBER

 **112**

guarantees English-speaking operators,
This number can be called for free from any phone.

OTHER LOCAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS



FIRE BRIGADE
150



AMBULANCE
155



POLICE CENTER
158

PUBLIC HOSPITALS IN PRAGUE

(Clickable for More Information)



Life in Prague

Life at AAU in Prague is exciting and allows you to learn indispensable life skills while immersed in a historically significant environment. Your student will live in vibrant neighborhoods, shop at local stores, and experience life in one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Prague is an affordable city to live in and it isn't just easy on your wallet; it's a breath of fresh air for your well-being too. The city's drinkable tap water helps reduce plastic usage, and it's walkable city center, along with numerous parks and green spaces, provides ample opportunities to relax and socialize. Prague embodies a sustainable and leisurely lifestyle for those who seek it. Additionally, nearly every district boasts a local farmers market, with Holešovice hosting one of the largest. These markets are perfect for purchasing fresh, local produce and are also wonderful spots for community engagement.

TOP 10 BEST STUDENT CITY

In the world - Top Universities 2022

7TH SAFEST COUNTRY

In the world - Global Peace Index 2023

COMMUTING AROUND PRAGUE

Prague offers an impressive and highly affordable public transportation network, making commuting both easy and accessible. The city is well-connected by a dense network of trams, buses, and metro stations, ensuring you can quickly reach any destination. You will be able to easily afford it! Currently, public transport for students is exceptionally economical, costing only **1250 CZK** per year, which is approximately **50 EUR** or **55 USD**!

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Career Center



AAU CAREER CENTER

The AAU Career Center is one of our strongest resources. Our office is equipped to help connect our current students, as well as recent and past alumni, with the professional world. Through a range of resources, AAU provides students with internships and job opportunities in Prague, across the EU, and around the world.!

Career opportunities are built into the curriculum at AAU, with each student being required to participate in a minimum of 300 hours. Currently, AAU has over 80 internship providers related to all of AAU's fields of study, many of which are our own alumni.

- ONE-ON-ONE CAREER COUNSELING SERVICES
- INTERNSHIP COURSE
- ON AND OFF-SITE JOB FAIRS
- MOCK INTERVIEWS AND RESUME WORKSHOPS

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Click on for More Information:



AAU Alumni

AAU has over 2,500 alumni living and working in all corners of the world. Our Alumni Relations Office works to facilitate community connections and promote relationships within our Alumni Community and with our institution as a whole.

We expect our alumni to shape a changing world, and we love to hear about their adventures after they leave AAU. Each year we host Alumni events all over the world to connect with our alumni and help our previous students network with people in their community.

Additionally, we are able to help our current students get a feel for their future by facilitating relationships with our alumni! Often, our current students conduct internships with companies or NGOs founded or managed by our previous students, and in some cases, students even go on to work for other alumni after graduation.

CHECK OUT SOME OF OUR
ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS:

VISITING AAU

Staying in Prague

Whether you are a new AAU parent or are returning to our campus, we would love to host you! Drop by our admissions office at any time for a tour, or feel free to check out campus with your student. Check out our website for information on New Parent Orientation held at the beginning of the fall semester!

HOTELS

AAU partners with two local hotels to give discounts to our students and families

OREA HOTEL PYRAMID

Use code CAMP-AAU with **10% discount**
All flexible, and nonrefundable rates

HOTEL PERLA

Use code AAU with **5% discount**
On your reservation

TRAVELING AROUND PRAGUE

AAU recommends the app **Pid Litacka** for traveling in Prague. Use this app to purchase and activate tickets for tram and metro services in Prague. Alternatively, tickets are available to purchase on trams, and in metro stations.



Helpful Links

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

AAU Vision, Mission and Values [HERE](#)

AAU Resources for Current Students [HERE](#)

AAU Parent Page [HERE](#)

AAU Student Shop [HERE](#)

LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

AAU Visa and Residence [HERE](#)

AAU Nostrification [HERE](#)

AAU accreditations and memberships [HERE](#)

STUDENT LIFE

AAU Study Abroad and Exchange [HERE](#)

AAU Student Life in Prague [HERE](#)

AAU Student Housing [HERE](#)

AAU Student Services and Support [HERE](#)

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Tuition and Payment [HERE](#)

Financial Aid and Scholarships [HERE](#)

*** Find your nearest Czech Consulate or Embassy [HERE](#)

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