

Newsletter

of the Faculty of Science PU

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Introductory word

Even though the Faculty promotes its activities throughout the whole year, the beginning of the winter semester is particularly busy in this matter. The Faculty as well as some departments have fascinated the public on the Scientists' Night or on the European Heritage Days. The staff take part in various career and education events, and prepare for and Open House in November and January. High schools in the Olomouc region have received a brochure with a wide range of activities offered to high-school students, and our alumni from 1990 and 1965 have started registering for their Silver and Golden Graduation ceremony.

Potential new applicants may find out more information about the Faculty from its representatives at several events for future university students called Gaudeamus in Bratislava, Nitra and at the beginning of November also in Brno. The Faculty representatives have new brochures at hand. The Events calendar for 2015/2016 and the Study! brochure with study programs for 2016/2017 have both been updated. A brand new brochure with the offer of activities for high schools (lectures, excursions, experiments) has been very well received at Czech as well as Slovakian schools.

“We would like to express our gratitude to each department that participated in the preparations of these publications and at the Scientists' Night. We can be pleased by the high numbers of enthusiastic visitors,” explained J. Molnár, Vice-Dean for External Cooperation. Another yield of curious visitors can be expected at the Open House on November 20, and January 16.

The faculty will be buzzing with life even this upcoming Saturday, when the Silver Graduation ceremony will take place. Graduates of 1990 will relive the special moment of the graduation ceremony once again 25 years since the original one. About a month later there will be a similar event for graduates of 1965, who will receive an honorary diploma 50 years since their graduation. “We have been organizing the Silver Graduations for seven years now, and each year we get a higher number of participants. This year we invited 180 alumni of 1990, and so far 85 of them have RSVP'd,” says the Head of the Department of Inner and Outer Relations, Dagmar Petrželová.

On the contrary, for the newcomers to the academic life, there has been an Orientation Camp organized by the student group POSPOL. The six-day camp near Náměšť nad Oslavou was packed with educational activities, games, and sports. Out of the total of 400 freshmen, there were 140 students from the Faculty of Science.

Science and Research

- ❑ The Rector of Palacký University announces the fourth call to support **the Proof-of-Concept** activities at our University. Any projects which are not funded from other sources maybe funded, if they have a high commercial potential and existing relevant market. Proposals for projects of a functional prototype, tested technologies, industrial-legal protection or commercial subject license shall be submitted by **October 26**. For further information please contact Petr Kubečka, email: petr.kubecka@vtpup.cz.

For Students

- ❑ Any **alternations to the timetable** will be possible at the Department of Studies until **October 23**.
- ❑ **Recognition of credits**
We kindly request students who want to apply for credit recognition for courses from previous studies to fill in the relevant application and submit the document including the list of accomplished courses, the approval of the teacher, and the guarantor of the course to the Department of Studies.
- ❑ **Graduation Ceremony**
We kindly ask students who completed their studies by taking a state final exam and wish to participate in graduation ceremonies to come to the Department of Study and confirm their presence at the graduation ceremony. Graduation ceremony will be held on **November 13 and 14**. Graduation schedule will be posted on the Faculty's website. Graduation fee is CZK 500 and can be paid using a money order or a bank transfer. The account number is 19-1096330227 / 0100, payment reference number is 99310031. Write a word "Graduation" in message for recipient, please. In both cases of payment please send a scanned copy of the proof of payment to the relevant employee at the Department of study.
- ❑ **Students travelling abroad in terms of foreign mobility** are obliged to report details of the journey to Mrs. Dana Gronychová, e-mail: dana.gronychova@upol.cz, tel. 585634058 at Department of Study at least 20 days before the actual departure.

International Matters

- ❑ **International Congress of Environmental Science ICER-16 in Luebeck, Germany**
The sixteenth annual congress organized by the JERAD publisher will be held at the University of Applied Sciences in Luebeck in August next year. You can extend your participation in the congress and visit several nice European cities and Dubai according to offer listed at [the congress webpage](#). Further information including registration form is available there also. All abstracts shall be submitted by **December 1**.

Academic Senate

- ❑ The forthcoming council of Academic Senate of the Faculty of Science UP will be held on **October 21 at 1 p.m.** at the Dean's Office boardroom.

Faculty Operation

- ❑ The Department of Internal and External Relations offers **Faculty and University promotional materials in both Czech and English language to your disposal**. Please contact Dagmar Petrželová, if you wish to use them during conferences or as presents for your guests.

Miscellaneous

Quarry Life Award 2015 - an international competition to promote biodiversity in quarries and sandpits

Groups as well as individual students, graduates and young researchers of biological fields are welcome to take part in the third annual competition aimed at raising awareness of biodiversity and biological value of mining sites. Project proposals can be submitted in five categories: research on habitats and species; management of biodiversity during extraction or after its completion; education and raising awareness of the biodiversity importance; interconnection of the quarry and surrounding environment biodiversity; school student projects, by **March 1**. Further information, list of requirements and application form can be found [here](#).

Potential candidates are invited to get acquainted with the environment of quarries and sandpits on October 19 – 23. For further information please contact Hana Michalíková, email: hana.michalikova@cmcem.cz, mob.: 702185671.



Touches of paper - a creative contest on a theme of the Summer Olympic Games 2016

Participate in the contest of Antalis company. Our faculty has been included in the competition category of colleges/universities and contestants will receive a set of special graphic papers B1 format. If interested in participation, please contact Mrs. Dagmar Petrželová, e-mail: dagmar.petrzelova@upol.cz, create your original paper creation, design, project, and submit it by **November 20**.

Presentation of Labmark laboratory equipment

You are cordially invited to a short presentation of the company's portfolio which will be held at the premises of **the Institute of Molecular and Translational Medicine, faculty of Medicine, seminary room no.: 1.09 on October 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Apart from a delicious cup of coffee company experts will also offer a possibility of practical demonstrations with your own samples of DNA.

The next Newsletter will be released on October 23, 2015

As of September 27, 2015 the following provision of PU came into effect:

[B3-15/2-PK](#) – Conducting of asset, material and document inventory at UP in 2015

As of September 30, 2015 the following provisions came into effect:

[B3-15/3-PR](#) – Amendment no. 1 to UP Rector's order no. B3-15/1-PR - Schedule of the Academic year 2015/2016 and Schedule of registration on courses in information system STAG in the academic year 2015/2016

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