

Newsletter

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Introductory word

As of September 1 Accomodation and Dining adjusted the price list and terminology of meals. University pensioners will notice a significant change since their meals will be cheaper. While meal prices for students and faculty employees stay virtually unchanged, boarders from outside the University will have to pay a little extra.

"After taking office in September last year, I realized that the price calculation needed adjustment, so we started to prepare the process. At a certain stage the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Ivo Frébort, came with some suggestions as well," said the director of Accomodation and Dining, Josef Suchánek.

Calculation of meal prices is based on a value of raw materials used; depending on the composition of each meal, it is about CZK 24 on average. A contribution to the operation is then added to the raw materials value, which is different for each type of boarder. It is this extra charge which was subject to the biggest system changes in order to get fees in accordance with the University collective agreement.

The contributions for ready meals as well as for meals from a daily menu are now equal for a given group of boarders. For example students pay CZK 11; the same price applies for students from other universities who used to be charged as outside boarders before the adjustment. The contribution for the faculty employees remains at CZK 6. Pensioners used to pay contribution in the amount of CZK 13 to 15; currently the fee is CZK 6 as well. "The biggest meal price mismatch regarded outside boarders' charges. They will now have to pay more for their meals since their contribution for operation has risen from CZK 30 or CZK 35 to CZK 38", said Suchánek.

The final meal price calculation is different for canteen diners as well as for catering services provided beyond the normal operation of the canteen, such as receptions for individual departments or coffee breaks and refreshments for conference participants.

Our canteens sold about 402 thousand meals to students, 88 thousand meals to employees, 6 thousand to university pensioners and 31 thousand to outside boarders in the year 2015 according to Suchánek. The number of meals sold during first eight months of this year is about four percent higher than in the same period of last year. For example, the canteen in Holiche has experienced a 90 percent increase in the number of boarders in July compared to the same month in the last year.

Science and Research

☐ **Dean's Award 2016**

Authors of prestigious scientific publications published in the journals with impact factor, whose value is in the top ten percent of magazines from the same sector category (subject class on the Web of Science) as a magazine, in which the publication was published can take part in the annual competition 2016. Publications published in the year 2015 can also be submitted to the competition apart from those, which were submitted last year already.

Award can be granted only to faculty employees, who are the first or primary (correspondence) authors of the publication and have stated our faculty as their main workplace in affiliations. To sign in the competition please deliver written proposal together with copy of the scientific publication through the Head of your department to Michaela Kratochvílová at Department of Science and Research **by October 31**. Dean's award ceremony will take place on December 12 at a meeting of the Scientific Council.

☐ **Dean's Award for excellent teachers**

Based on nominations of VPRO members, written proposals for the award along with reasoning shall be submitted by the chairmen of VPRO to Vice-Dean for external cooperation until **October 31**. A committee consisting of Vice-Deans shall assess the compliance with the requirements and submit suggestions of the award candidates and amounts of awards to the Dean. The substantiated decision of the Dean shall be published.

An eligible candidate for the award is an employee of the Faculty of Science with at least 0,5 working time providing teaching in amount of at least 6 hours per week including one lecture per week in summer and winter semester, or this condition is fulfilled in the preceding calendar year.

The Dean will award three laureates at the end of the calendar year

☐ **FRUP**

The Rector of Palacký University announces **the fourth annual Competition for developmental projects within the institutional plan of UP in Olomouc**. Priority area is the subject innovation and development of existing laboratories, studios and work places used for education through the purchase of laboratory and technical equipment, software and books related to teaching and preparing training materials this time. Applications shall be submitted online on university portal or using OBD informational system. The deadline for submitting proposals is **October 31, 5:00 p.m.**

☐ **Register your publication on the Web of Science**

We kindly request our employees to deliver their publications issued by UP to Michaela Kratochvílová at Department of Science and Research **by October 11** in order to register them in the Web of Science database.

☐ **TRIO Program**

The Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic announced one-stage public tender to support applied research and experimental development focusing on the development of the Czech Republic potential in the area of key technologies such as photonics, micro and nano electronics, nanotechnology, industrial biotechnology, advanced materials and advanced manufacturing technology. Proposals processed in the system of the program shall be submitted electronically and printed to Michaela Kratochvílová at the Department of Science and Research **by November 21**.

☐ **Grant Agency of the Czech Republic (GA CR) has announced a call for proposals for nomination of candidates to the evaluation panels of GA CR.** Detailed information as well as a form of proposal and a description of the contents of individual evaluation panels are available [here](#). Proposals shall be submitted at the Department of Science and Research by **November 23**.

For Students

☐ **Courses registration for winter semester**

We would like to inform students that they may **adjust their timetable at the Department of Study till October 27 only upon request, confirmed by the head of the respective department or a teacher.**

☐ **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 **by October 27.**

☐ **Graduation Ceremony**

We kindly ask students who completed their studies by taking a state final exam and wish to participate in graduation ceremony to come to Department of Study and confirm their presence at the ceremony. It will be held on **November 11 and 12.** Graduation schedule will be posted on the website of the Faculty and published in our Newsletter.

☐ **The first year students of Doctoral study programs** are obliged to deliver their learning plans. We also request students to submit a specification of their dissertation theses signed by their tutor to Department of Study **by October 14.** All required materials shall be printed from Stag.

☐ **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 two weeks before the actual departure.

☐ **Changes in the scholarship payment procedure**

We kindly request respective employees to submit documents for scholarship payments to the Head of Study Department, Jiří Mazal.

☐ **Parallel and complementary study of teaching**

We would like to inform our students that a short information meeting concerning parallel and complementary study of teaching courses will take place on November 4 at 9:00 a.m. in Classroom LP1026. Please bring a certified copy of your Bachelor's or Master's Degree Diploma.

☐ **“Cherish our Alma Mater”**

The faculty project „Cherish our Alma Mater“ will again support students' ideas on promoting our faculty or improving its environment. If you have an idea how to increase public awareness of our faculty, brighten up faculty life by organizing various exhibitions, create a new educational tool or organize a particular cooperation with high-school students etc., submit your proposal to Mrs. Dagmar Petrželová, e-mail: dagmar.petrzelova@upol.cz **by October 31** and get CZK 500 to start its realization and another CZK 9500 special scholarship upon a successful final defense. The expert committee will assess creativity and originality of individual proposals, benefits for the faculty or a quality of the final report. For further information please contact Mrs. Petrželová.

☐ **For Water Competition 2017**

Talented students and recent graduates can participate in the fifth annual competition For Water, which among other things focuses on finding environmental friendly solutions to the water problems in the landscape and human settlements. The competition gives students great opportunity to evolve solution for their own or given tasks which can be also used as thesis topic. The three best projects will be rewarded financially. The application deadline for the competition is **January 31.** For more information please contact Alena Jarošová, e-mail: alena.jarosova@upol.cz.

❑ **Contract on free of charge practice at University Hospital Olomouc**

The Faculty of Science has recently concluded an agreement which states conditions of free of charge practice for students of up at University Hospital. Detailed information about practice is available [here](#).

Faculty Operation

❑ **New promotional materials of the Faculty of Science**

Our faculty has new brochures for its promotion. A detailed catalog of Bachelor's degree courses, and information about the admission procedures for the next academic year as well as a list of planned events and popularizing activities of individual departments is available in Czech upon request. Please contact Magdalena Ondrušáková, email: magdalena.ondrusakova@upol.cz, tel.: 585634397.

A complete offer of degree programs taught in English intended mainly for foreign students is available [here](#).

Student Organizations

❑ **POSPOL** is looking for active students who are not afraid to step out of the line and who want to experience more then to study for a title.

Are you keen on table tennis? Don't miss the last opportunity to register for the Faculty Table Tennis League. For further information please write an email on pospol@upol.cz.

Miscellaneous

❑ **Night of Scientists**

The last Friday night in September opened doors of our faculty and the Fortress of Knowledge to many visitors who come to experience science, explore faculty premises and spend the night with scientists. Hundreds of visitors walked among stalls with interesting programs and displays till midnight. The event is very popular among general public for the wide range of activities popularizing science as well as thanks of energy and enthusiasm of our colleagues, who are able to reveal the secrets of science to both children and adults. We would like to express our gratitude to everybody who participated in the event for their time and effort. We would also like to thank Building Maintenance staff for help with preparing the event and for the final cleaning.

❑ **Little Noah Foundation organizes an annual benefit concert of Jiří Stivín in Reduta hall of Moravian Philharmonics on November 11, at 7:00 p.m.** An auction of Jindřich Štreit photos will be held in Mozart Hall after the concert. Tickets for the event are available for CZK 190 or 360 according to location of the seat in the hall. For booking or purchase please contact Mrs. Dagmar Petrželová on dagmar.petrzelova@upol.cz by **October 27**.

❑ **Faculty Board Games Club DoUPě Olomouc** is looking for new members! We meet every Thursday in classroom no. 1034 on the ground floor of the Envelopa faculty building at 4:30 p.m. Seasonal players as well as newcomers are welcome, game rules are explained on site. You can also bring your favorite game and arrange teammates on the spot. For current information please visit the club's [Facebook](#) or contact us on: kdholomouc@seznam.cz.

❑ **The next Newsletter** will be released on **October 21, 2016**

- ☐ **As of September 23, 2016 the following provision of UP came into effect:**
[B3-16/1-PK](#) - Conducting of asset, material and document inventory at UP in 2016
- As of October 1, 2016 the following provision of UP came into effect:**
[B3-16/6-SR](#) - Procurement of UP