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Introductory word

While this year has been marked mainly by preparation of large investment projects, actual construction work resulting from some of them will start next year. First of all the faculty management plans to adjust air-conditioning system in the main Faculty building on 17. listopadu street during the summer. However, the faculty management will also focus on enhance parking possibilities on Faculty premises and realizing the second stage of corroded galvanized hood pipes replacement.

Air-conditioning system will be installed in all study rooms and offices from the second to the sixth floor, ventilation system will be adjusted in the north part of the first floor. In this regard roller blinds and awnings will be installed to shade the first floor and south facade of the building.

"We presume to complete the project preparation by the end of the year and provide suitable conditions for its realization in 2017. Construction work will affect all departments therefore the implementation is planned from June to mid-September in order to allow emptying of all rooms. The coordination will be very difficult especially in case of departments which will be put out of operation for some time," explained Jana Zimová, the Secretary. Site preparation will begin in April. The exact schedule will be drafted in cooperation with a contractor. Estimated cost amounts to CZK 25 million.

The faculty management cooperates with the Faculty of Law and Accommodation and Dining on the proposal of improving parking situation in the area of the Faculty of Law and our canteen. The proposed solution involves reorganization of transport and construction of new parking spaces. "We would like to initiate preparation of project documentation later this year and we will strive to obtain funds at central level. Even if we fail, we would like to realize at least part of the project using our own budget," said the Secretary. Among other things the proposal includes a substantial adjustment of sidewalks and parking lots near the Joint Laboratory of Optics, installing gates in some parking lots or minor modifications of the canteen area. The total cost is estimated at CZK 10 million; yet the realization can be broken down into several stages.

The second stage of hood pipes replacement amounting to about CZK 4 million will take place next year, too. And apparently the leaking terrace on the sixth floor will require repairing as well.

As we informed in previous issues of our Newsletter, the Faculty submitted 3 project proposals in terms of Operational Programme Research, Development and Education. We will bring detailed information should they be approved. Today we drew your attention to overview of investments planned from different financial sources in Envelopa faculty building. In the next issue we will focus on planned construction in Holice.

Science and Research

☐ Czech-Chinese joint research projects

The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports has announced an invitation to apply for Czech-Chinese joint projects to support mobility of researchers, who will collaborate on international projects during years 2017 and 2018 - **V17 China-mobility**. Applications shall be submitted **by November 30**. Detailed information is available [here](#).

☐ Werner von Siemens Award 2016

The Czech branch of Siemens will again award successful students and academics - researchers and teachers. Participants can compete in five categories; moreover two special prizes will be awarded this year too: the best Doctoral thesis written by a women and a special award for overcoming obstacles of study. The authors of the best theses will share a total financial reward amounting CZK 1 million. A reward of CZK 5 000 is determined for those who nominate a future winner. The deadline for submitting applications is **November 25**. For further information please contact Lucie Rumlová at lucie.rumlova@siemens.com.

☐ 3+3 Projects solved in cooperation with the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research in Dubna

Detailed information about the public call to support research and educational projects of cooperation is available [here](#). Application form is available in [Attachment No. 1](#).

☐ Grants of the Czech representative in the Committee of Plenipotentiaries of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research in Dubna

Detailed information about the public call to support joint research and educational projects of cooperation of Czech research institutions and the JINR laboratories is available [here](#). Application form is available in [Attachment No. 2](#).

For Students

☐ Registration of elective C subjects from study programs of other UP faculties

As of September 1, 2016 Supplement no. 1 of the Dean's Directive no. A-14/5-SD implementing certain provisions of the UP Study and Examination Code came into effect. In accordance with this regulation students of our faculty may register for elective C courses listed in study programs of other UP faculties only with maximum value of 4 credits in each academic year. The total value of credits acquired for completing elective C courses at other UP faculties must not exceed 8 credits for the entire study. This regulation applies to all our students, including foreigners.

☐ 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**.

☐ Modifying timetables is now possible **only upon request confirmed by the head of the department or a teacher at Department of Study until November 25, 2015**.

☐ Graduation Ceremony

We kindly request our students who completed their studies by taking a state final exam and wish to participate in graduation ceremonies to come to Department of Study and confirm their presence at the graduation ceremony. Graduation ceremony will be held on **November 11**. Graduation schedule was posted on [the website of the Faculty](#). 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 means of payment please send a scanned copy of the proof of payment to the relevant employee at Department of study.

- ❑ **Graduation ceremony of Doctoral graduates** will be held at the Faculty of Law, Palacký University, Olomouc on **December 9**. Graduation fee is CZK 500 and shall be paid to the account number: 19-1096330227/0100, payment reference number is 99310031. Write a word “Ph.D. Graduation” in message for recipient, please and send a scanned copy of the proof of payment to Mrs. Karásková and Vykydalová at Department of study.

- ❑ **Announcement for the first-year students of the Master study program in teaching**
A teaching internship for the first-year students as well as students of the parallel complementary study of teaching will be taking place next year **from March 5 to March 24**. An application form for teaching internship is available on the website of [the Centre of Pedagogical Training](#). Only registered students may enter the continuous teaching internship. Applications shall be submitted **by January 27, 2017**. The Centre of Pedagogical Training places students to schools in Olomouc and nearby towns (Šternberk, Přerov, Prostějov, Uničov, Litovel). Students do not have to ensure the internship at these schools by themselves; however, they may specify the name of the preferred school in Olomouc region in the application. Students, who wish to practice their skills in different regions, shall ensure their internship position by themselves. It is necessary to ask the director of the school to approve the internship in their application form.
The Centre of Pedagogical Training provides teaching internship only in the above mentioned period of time. In case you have any questions please send an email to: jana.slezakova@upol.cz

- ❑ **“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 defence. 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 competition For Water, which among other things focuses on finding environmental friendly solutions to water problems in landscape and human settlements. Participants can meet the challenges such as elevated levels of arsenic in water, use of rainwater in a school building, design of root wastewater treatment plant for a small village, or unnecessary use of drinking water for artificial snow-making. 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 is **January 31**. For more information please contact Alena Jarošová, e-mail: alena.jarosova@upol.cz.

International and outer University Information

- ❑ **Kostecké inspirování 2016 Conference**
A conference for students and researchers of biological, ecological, environmental and landscape disciplines will be held **on November 24 and 25** at the castle in Kostelec nad Černými lesy. An on-line registration is open until **November 14**. For detailed information, please contact Daniela Budská at smolova@fzp.czu.cz.

- ❑ For the **complete list of currently available bilateral and multilateral scholarship programs** for students and academics as well as **up to date information about project cooperation opportunities**,

please visit website of [the Centre for International Cooperation](#) or contact Mrs. Eva Jermanová at jermanova@dzs.cz.

Faculty Operation

☐ **Benefits for university employees**

An up to date list of benefits for university employees is available at the university website. Individual faculties will be gradually adding additional benefits funded from their social fund in compliance with particular settings and conditions of each university section. For further information about essential UP employee benefits please contact Mrs. Dita Palaščíková at dita.palascakova@upol.cz.

☐ **Mark your calendars**

The Dean of the Faculty grants **a day off** to all employees and members of academia **on December 23**. The Rector of the University grants **a day off** to all employees and members of academia **on December 30**.

Student Organizations

- ☐ **POSPOL** is looking for active students who are not afraid to think outside the box and who want to experience more than studying to achieve a title.

Miscellaneous

- ☐ The Dean of the Faculty of Science announces a competition for **the best faculty New Year card design for 2017**. Students, staff, seniors and alumni may send their original painted, drawn, sculpted, photographed or computerized art works to: magdalena.ondrusakova@upol.cz **by November 20**. Card designs shall be consistent with the visual style of the university and shall include the university visual elements. For posting your art piece please use the following address: Magdalena Ondrušáková, the Faculty of Science, Palacký University in Olomouc, 17. listopadu 12, 77146 Olomouc. It is also possible to submit the design personally after making an appointment, tel: 585634397. Author of the winning design will receive a financial reward of CZK 3000 and a voucher for three-day stay for two people in the faculty cabin in Karlov.

- ☐ **The next Newsletter** will be released **on November 4, 2016**

- ☐ **As of October 13, 2016 the following provision of UP came into effect:**
[B3-16/7-SR](#) – Organizational Code of Palacký University Rectorate

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