

Ethics and Political Philosophy MA Programme

Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies
Centre for Ethics as Study in Human Value
University of Pardubice, Czech Republic

CLIMATE CHANGE
EXCLUSION
SEXUAL ASSAULT
ABUSE
FAME
WAR
FACTORY FARMING
HATE SPEECH
CARS THAT KILL
POPULISM
ANXIETY

What do we offer?

The programme offers full specialisation in the two main domains of practical philosophy: ethics and political philosophy. The study plan uniquely integrates problem-oriented teaching to guide students in independent and critical thinking about highly relevant and pressing phenomena, such as issues of marginalisation and exclusion, the nature of democracy, extremisms on social media, the ethics of AI and robotics, and the climate crisis. The programme has a strong research orientation and our students receive systematic training in academic writing skills.

The Centre regularly organises international conferences, workshops, and seminars with high-profile invited speakers, such as Raimond Gaita, Veena Das, Naomi Scheman, John Lippitt, Cora Diamond, Stephen Mulhall, Sophie Grace Chappell, and Toril Moi. The Centre hosts prestigious research projects, for instance the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action fellowships. It also maintains a rich network of international collaborations with universities such as Genoa, Manchester, Åbo, Dublin, King's College London, Melbourne, and Uppsala, ranging from joint grant projects to Erasmus partnerships.

- Two-year, tuition-free Master of Arts (MA) programme, in English.
- Study in Pardubice, a charming city in the heart of Europe, well connected by rail to several major European cities, including Prague (1 hour), Vienna (3 hours), and Berlin (5 hours).
- Various stipend opportunities to partly cover the costs of living and accommodation, as well as travel scholarships to conferences and study stays, including the Erasmus programme.
- Teaching and supervision by internationally recognised researchers from the Centre for Ethics, together with experienced academics from the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.
- The best graduates will be prepared to apply for PhD study at leading academic institutions or to join our vibrant multinational PhD community.

Who will teach you?



Doc. Ondřej Beran, Ph.D.



Sylvie Bláhová, Ph.D.



Kamila Pacovská, Ph.D.



Doc. Niklas Forsberg, Ph.D.



Doc. Antony Fredriksson, Ph.D.



Lesley Paige Jamieson, Ph.D.



Václav Sklenář, Ph.D.

Deadlines for application:

1st application round: 28th February 2026

2nd application round: 19th April 2026

Admission interviews: first round 16—20 March,
second round 1—5 June

Start of study: 21st September 2026

What do we require?



We love visitors! 🍺

Come and visit our team! We are happy to help with Erasmus and Ceepus mobility, or with other scholarships. You can also come as a freemover.

