

Studying at Masaryk University 2

1. Listen to the text about Libor Novák, a student of Masaryk University in Brno.

Libor Novák, a student talks about himself.

Hello. My name is Libor Novák and I come from Jeseník, a small town with a population of about 10,000, in the mountains of northern Moravia but I'm currently living and studying in Brno. I study Chemistry at the Faculty of Science, which is very demanding but I am enjoying the challenge. I'm in the second year of a five year course which means that next year I'll be able to start specializing by choosing options in those areas which interest me most.

Before coming here I attended the grammar school in Jeseník where my favourite subjects were Mathematics and Chemistry. On the other hand, I found languages more difficult and had to put in a lot of extra work to pass my school leaving exams.

At the moment I am living in the halls of residence in Komárov although next year I will have to leave and find a place to stay privately since there are not enough rooms for all the students who want them. I share a double room with another student from Jihlava called Radek Kašpar who studies Geology. He would have studied Physics if it had been possible but he didn't get a high enough mark in his entrance exams.

2. Pavel Zemánek is a postgraduate student. You want to ask him some questions. Complete the questions.

1. Where from?
2. Whatdo?
3. What research ?
4. Why updating his C. V. ?
5. What like to do?
6. Where living?
7. Who you..... to share a flat?
8. Why you to share a flat?

3. Listen to the text about Pavel Zemánek and answer the questions above.

Pavel Zemánek is a postgraduate student.

Hello. My name is Pavel Zemánek and I come from Znojmo although I have been living in Brno for five years. I am a postgraduate student doing research in ecotoxicology which is a field that is currently producing very interesting results. Soon my course will be finished and so I am very busy updating my C. V. and applying for jobs with companies who specialise in this kind of work. It would be nice if I could continue to work in this area after the completion of my course.

At the moment I am living in a bedsit near the centre of town but soon I am going to share a flat with some friends in a suburb of Brno. This will make it cheaper since we will share the rent between us.

4. Role play: Open day at Masaryk University. Work in groups of four. Study your part following the instructions in the box.

A (a potential student)

Prepare questions on the studies at MU.

B (a third year student of MU)

Be ready to inform on your current studies.

C (head of the department)

Give an informational talk on your Department.

D (a member of the administrative staff of the study department)

Give information on the running of the faculty.