

LESSON 1: GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER / STUDYING AT UNIVERSITY

I. Studying at university

Make 5 wh... questions that you would like to ask / you would like to know about someone you see for the first time. You can also think about questions that you would like to ask your new teacher.

In pairs exchange any information you have about Masaryk University (faculties, halls of residence, famous students, famous/strict teachers/lecturers, gossip about the most difficult/easiest subjects, etc.)

II. MU Structure

There are nine faculties at MU, can you name them? At which department can you study mathematics?

On the strips of paper there are names of courses/fields of study within the department mentioned above. Put them into two columns. Which course are you enrolled on?

III. Read through the incomplete script of the listening about Libor Novák, and try to guess the missing words. Next listen to the recording and check whether your guesses were right.

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 living and studying in Brno. I study chemistry at the Faculty of, which is very but I am enjoying the challenge. I'm in the second year of a five year which means that next year I'll be able to start by choosing in those areas which interest me most.

Before coming here I attended the 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 my school leaving

At the moment I am living in the halls of 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 a double room with another student from Jihlava called Radek Kašpar who studies He would have studied if it had been possible but he didn't get a high enough in his exams. (H. Němcová)

IV. Using vocabulary and structures from previous exercises prepare a short talk about yourself. Use the phrases below to help you.

Hello. My name is and I come from

I'm currently living and studying in

I'm studying at University at the Faculty of

My field of study / major is

I'm in the year of a year course.

At the end of my course I would like to get a Degree (Master's / Bachelor's / Doctoral – Ph.D.).

I started my course/studies in (at) (e.g. end of September).

In the year I'll be able to start specializing by choosing options in those areas which interest me most.

In the future I would like to specialize in

I'm attending (some) lectures / seminars in

My favorite subject so far is

Before coming here I attended the grammar school / technical college in where my favourite subjects were

I passed my school-leaving exams in

At the moment I am living in the halls of residence / a flat / a house in

I share a room / flat with who studies

In my future I would like to In my free time I

(A. Rozkošná)

V. Speaking about your schedule

Work with a neighbour. Take your schedule and talk about your studies. Ask and answer these questions:

- a) What was your favourite subject at high school (grammar school / technical college)? Which was your least favourite subject? Why? Compare it to another subject.
- b) What **field of study** are you currently studying? Why did you choose this **field of study**?
- c) How many classes a week do you have?
- d) What subjects are you studying this semester? Which **lectures** and **seminars** do you attend? Which of them are **compulsory** subjects and which are **options**?
- e) Do you have early morning or late afternoon classes? When?
- f) Which day of the week are you free in the morning / in the afternoon? Do you have a free day?
- g) Which subject or teacher do you like most / least so far? Why?
- h) Where do you have your lessons (at Kotlářská / at Bohunice campus)?

(A. Rozkošná)