

# MU Halls of Residence

## Annual Activity Report 2000

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### 1. ACCOMMODATION SERVICES

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Accommodation is one of the most important supplementary MU activities that create social structure for students. The university puts great stress on this issue, continuing to extend accommodation possibilities for students in the buildings it administers, as well as helping to arrange accommodation through other sources.

In the academic year 2000/2001, the Housing and Catering Administration provided accommodation for MU students in the following buildings:

**Table 1 MU Halls of residence**

Hall of residence	Address	Number of beds
Vinařská	Vinařská 5, 603 00 Brno	1 168
Tvrdého	Tvrdého 5/7, 602 00 Brno	378
Družba	Kounicova 50, 602 00 Brno	596
Mánesova	Mánesova 12c, 612 00 Brno	351
Sušilova	Klácelova 2, 602 00 Brno	313
náměstí Míru	nám. Míru 4, 602 00 Brno	245
Veveří	Veveří 29, 602 00 Brno	70
Komárov	bří. Žůrků 5, 617 00 Brno	494
India	Sladkého 13, 617 00 Brno	428
Stavařov	Lomená 48, 617 00 Brno	168
Celkem		4 211

Compared to 1999, the total student housing capacity of MU buildings was extended by the capacity of the newly reconstructed rooms in Komárov, Sladkého (51 beds) and in the Komárov, Lomená 48 (168 beds). Over the course of the year 2000, MU bought and repaired this building making it fit to house students by the beginning of the 2000/2001 academic year. Through an agreement between the rectors of MU and VUT, 160 beds were made available for MU students. Therefore, the total available accommodation capacity for students this academic year was 4371 beds; 63 beds were reserved for guests of individual faculties, and 80 for the SOCRATES programme and other foreign student activities. As in preceding years, it was possible to house married couples without children at Vinařská residence.

From the total of 14,973 full-time students, at the beginning of the school year, 29 % were housed in residence; 68 % of the applications for university residence were met.

For the 2000/2001 academic year, standard criteria for the allocation of university housing was approved. The basic criterion was the travel time between the applicant's permanent residence as is registered in the MU information system and the City of Brno. The student's social conditions were then additional criteria. Those students with serious physical disabilities and members of residence councils were accommodated without consideration of travel time. Students of doctorate programmes were given an advantage in that all students living over 25 km from Brno were housed in residence. MU interest in developing these study programmes in particular was noticeably revealed here.

The average housing fee on September 1, 2000 was increased to 950 CZK, a 200 CZK increase over 1999.

Thanks to centralised accommodation, the administration capacities of which in 2000 were severely tested, there was an increase in the filling of vacant beds and a gradual resolution of problems with travel time calculation.

In 2000 for the first time, it was compulsory for students of current years to arrange accommodation in advance before the end of the preceding academic year. Because of this, moving into the residences at the beginning of the 2000/2001 academic year went smoothly.

The refurbishing of residences proceeded according to fiscal plan. The newly bought building was completely furnished with new furniture. In co-operation with the Institute of Computer Technology, the Housing and Catering Administration is gradually installing an Internet network at the residence. In 2000, an Internet club was started at the residences at Vinařská and nám. Míru. However, greatest attention by the Housing and Catering Administration is being paid to the installation of Internet connections in individual rooms.

**Table 2 Available accommodation capacity of MU**

Year	MU	VUT	CCD	Total	Index
1993/1994	3 286	90		3 376	100
1994/1995	3 141	300	20+26MA	3 487	103,3
1995/1996	3 167	300	20	3 487	103,3
1996/1997	3 578	200	20	3 798	112,5
1997/1998	3 871	200		4 071	120,6
1998/1999	4 019			4 019	119,0
1999/2000	3 981	250		4 231	125,3
2000/2001	4 211	160		4 371	129,5

VUT – University of Technology

CCD – Czech Congregation of Dominicans

MA – Military Academy

**Table 3 Distribution of total accommodation capacity for MU students**

Year	First year of study	Second to final years of study	Foreign post-graduate students & research workers	Foreign students
1993/1994	35 %	53 %	4 %	8 %
1994/1995	30 %	56 %	4 %	10 %
1995/1996	32 %	63 %	1 %	4 %
1996/1997	31 %	61%	2 %	6 %
1997/1998	31 %	63 %	3 %	3 %
1998/1999	38 %	52 %	3 %	7 %
1999/2000	27 %	59 %	5 %	9 %
2000/2001	31 %	69 %	–	–

**Table 4** Number of granted accommodation requests

Year	Accommodation capacity	Number of applications for residence placement	Percentage of requests granted
1994/1995	3 487	5 040	69,2 %
1995/1996	3 487	5 784	60,3 %
1996/1997	3 798	5 282	71,9 %
1997/1998	4 071	5 913	68,8 %
1998/1999	3 919 x)	5 948	65,9 %
1999/2000	4 154 xx)	5 961	69,7 %
2000/2001	4 371 xx)	6 330	69,0 %

x – accommodation capacity was decreased by 80 beds for the SOCRATES programme and 20 beds for visitors to MU

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## 2. CATERING SERVICES

The Housing and Catering Administration provided catering services to students and staff at three cafeterias, one food counter at Klácelova, and at cafeterias where hot ready meals as well as made to order dishes were served – the Faculty of Informatics, the Faculty of Medicine, and the residences at Kounicova, bří Žůrků and Vinařská.

In June 2000, the cafeteria at the Faculty of Medicine was opened, where staff and students can get cold dishes and made to order dishes. Since the end of September 2000, the Veveří cafeteria staff have been providing catering services to the bří Žůrků residence, where students can choose from a wide selection of made to order meals in the evening hours.

Apart from basic catering services, the cafeteria staff can also provide party catering services for big school events. The preparation of their hot and cold dishes is of high professional standard.

Fancy refreshments, lunches, parties, banquet catering for:

### Moravské nám. cafeteria

- rector, vice-rectors and faculty deans
- Universitas Masarykiana Foundation
- the 47<sup>th</sup> session of the Czech Rectors Conference
- Faculty of Arts conference
- the Summer School of Central European Music USA
- the Dark-Blue Festival
- ceremonial opening of the Faculty of Medicine
- the MU garden party
- ceremonial opening of AIC
- INSIGNIE JAMU
- sculpture unveilings, etc.

### Vinařská cafeteria

- ceremonial luncheons, parties, banquet catering for the Faculty of Economics and Administration
- Biophysics Institute Academy of Sciences of the CR
- European congress on Electron microscopy
- EUREM 2000
- a congress of Czech educational organisations
- MSVB

## Veveří cafeteria

- Honorary MU Doctorates, the Great MU Gold Medal
- Dies academicus MU, Inauguration of the Faculty of Law dean
- Grand prize, BVV
- Conference TSD 2000, etc.

Thanks to the efforts of all cafeteria staff, the number of meals served in 2000 reached the same level as in 1998, that is over a million. However, in contrast with 1998, there was an increase in the number of hot meals served, requiring more preparation.

In the interest of upholding hygiene regulations and catering standards, the Housing and Catering Administration closed a contract with the Institute of Preventative Medicine, and is also working in conjunction with the Catering Commission, which is comprised of students from the Department of Nutrition of the Faculty of Medicine.

The Housing and Catering Administration is striving to provide catering services to all staff and students not only at the cafeterias, but also to bring their services closer to clients at individual faculties.

**Table 5** Numbers of meals served in MU canteens

Cafeteria	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Moravské náměstí	592 015 (48 %)	676 523 (52 %)	695 035 (48 %)	716 312 (47 %)	532 943 (48 %)	474 966 (49 %)	524 416 (50,4 %)
Veveří	248 711 (20 %)	295 523 (22 %)	368 342 (26 %)	463 833 (30 %)	361 885 (33 %)	266 626 (28 %)	214 265 (20,6 %)
Vinařská	400 892 (32 %)	344 501 (26 %)	376 154 (26 %)	349 177 (23 %)	212 620 (19 %)	216 658 (23 %)	300 706 (29,0 %)
Total	1 241 618	1 316 547	1 439 531	1 529 322	1 107 448	958 260	1 039 387
Index	139,8	148,3	162,1	172,2	124,7	107,9	117,1

year 1992 = 100% index