

2008 Program

“Comparative and European Law”

The John Marshall Law School. Chicago Study Abroad Program

May 25 – June 5, 2008, Czech Republic

Program Itinerary

Pre-Departure Lectures

The Civil Law System (Michael Seng)

May 25 (Prague)

Orientation

Welcome Dinner

May 26 (Prague)

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

History of the European Union (Petr Zahradnik)

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

European Union – Political and Legal Entity (Petr Zahradnik)

4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Walking tour of Prague

May 27 (Prague)

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Czech History Overview (Radovan Kacin)

10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

The 1989 Revolution or Planned Collapse: Fall of the Socialist System (Radovan Kacin)

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Czech Commercial Law (Martin Bohacek)

12:30 p.m.

Lunch with Retired Justice Vojtek Cepl of the Czech Constitutional Court

May 28 (Prague)

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Transformation of Czech Society after 1989 (Tomas Jezek)

10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

The Tax System in the European Union and the Czech Republic (Jana Svobodova)

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Visit Czech law firm (Jitka Smith)

Evening

Meeting with Common Law Society of Charles University Law Faculty

May 29 (Prague: Czech Bar Association)

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Introduction to the Czech Bar Association (Lenka Eisenbrukova)

9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Crime in Totalitarian v. Democratic Systems (Libor Dusek)

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Basic Outline of Czech Legal History (Radim Seltenreich)

12:00- 1:00 p.m.

Visit to the Czech Ministry of Justice (Jan Samanek)

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Czech Cooking Class

May 30 (Prague)

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Transition in Central Europe (Miroslav Zajicek)
10:15 – 12:15 a.m. Criminal Law in Medieval Europe (Kevin Gibbons)
12:00 p.m. Optional trip to Hluboka and Cesky Krumlov

May 31 (Optional Tour)

Tour of Cesky Krumlov

June 1 (Optional Tour)

Tour of Jindrichuv Hradec
Tour of Znojmo and evening in wine cellar

June 2 (Optional Tour)

Trip to Brno

June 3 (Brno)

9:00 10:15 a.m. Visit to Czech Supreme Court (Justice Ludvik David and Robert Erhart)
11:00 – 12:15 p.m. Czech Constitutional Law (Jan Filip)

June 4 (Brno)

9:00 – 10:15 a.m. Czech Intellectual Property Law (Radim Charvat)
11:00 – 12 :15 p.m. The European Court of Justice (Vladimir Tyc)

June 5 (Brno)

8:00 – 10:15 a.m. European Criminal Law (Jaroslav Fenyk)
1:00 p.m. Optional Trip to Krakow, Poland

June 6 – 9 (Krakow)

Optional Tours of Krakow and Auschwitz and Birkenau Concentration Camps