



# MCCIEC's 2020 Conference: The Meaning of Citizenship in Tumultuous Times



Open to faculty and staff applicants  
from Maryland community colleges  
with MCCIEC membership



# PRAGUE

## Travel

January 5-11, 2020

Double: \$2,095\*

Single: \$2,390\*

Deadline to apply as a  
presenter and/or participant:

**June 14, 2019**

for best consideration.

Contact your college's  
MCCIEC representative  
to apply.



- Daily round-table presentations and discussions
- Keynote speaker
- On-site master teaching workshops and demonstrations
- Educational experiences led by guides and experts
- Multi-disciplinary practicum structured around Prague's educational system, government, history, architecture, culture, and more

\* Approximate cost includes airfare, accommodations, ground travel, entrances, some meals, emergency medical insurance and part-time site director and is contingent upon sufficient enrollment. Participants are responsible for other meals, free-time activities, incidental expenses and tips. Program dates, destinations and payments are subject to change. The travel provider is CISabroad. Participation requires approval by MCCIEC: Decisions are based on proposal review/selection and institutional diversity.

## Interested? Apply now!

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[studyabroadmaryland.wordpress.com](http://studyabroadmaryland.wordpress.com)



## **MCCIEC's 2020 Conference:** **The Meaning of Citizenship in Tumultuous Times** **in Prague, Czech Republic**

### **Call for Proposals**

The Maryland Community College International Education Consortium (MCCIEC) announces its 2020 conference to be held in Prague from January 5 to 11. Where better to address the concepts of identity and citizenship than in the Czech Republic? Although the history of the region dates back to the 5<sup>th</sup> century, political and cultural shifts have been frequent and significant. In just the last 100 years, the country was controlled by three very distinct types of government, declared independence, and was divided into separate countries due to underlying cultural fractions. Against this dramatic backdrop, we will share expertise and professional experiences and hone our skills as community college international educators.

#### **Proposal guidelines:**

- Plan for a 45-minute session
- Topic related to the conference theme, for example:
  - Strategies for exploring identity and relationships in a global context
  - Physical, psychological and social development during times of transition
  - Creating multi-disciplinary global learning experiences
  - Designing effective education abroad programs
  - Preparing students for education abroad
  - Organizing study abroad in the context of the Czech Republic
- Discussion/interactivity and panel presentations are encouraged

#### **Conference components:**

- Daily sessions and discussions led by participants
- Workshop on designing and leading faculty-led programs in Prague with CISabroad's experienced site director
- On-site demonstrations and experiential learning for faculty-led study abroad
- Practica on understanding study abroad in the context of Eastern Europe

**Questions? Contact your college's MCCIEC representative.**

## Itinerary\*

<b>Sunday, January 5</b>	Departure from BWI Airport in the evening Overnight flight to Prague with a stopover in London
<b>Monday, January 6</b>	Afternoon arrival in Prague with transfer and check-in to the centrally-located Hotel Rott
<b>Tuesday, January 7</b>	Morning: Conference sessions in the hotel meeting space Afternoon: Group welcome lunch of Czech fare  Guided walking tour of Prague with a former Charles University literature professor, with highlights including a climb to the top of the Old Town Tower for stunning views and a visit to the Old Town Square with its famous 15 <sup>th</sup> century Astronomical Clock  Evening: Optional “beer foods” tasting of local Pilsner and Czech specialities with CISabroad’s Prague site director (additional cost)
<b>Wednesday, January 8</b>	Morning: Conference sessions in the hotel meeting space Afternoon: Visits to Charles University and the University of Economics, Prague
<b>Thursday, January 9</b>	Morning: Conference sessions in the hotel meeting space Afternoon: Discipline-themed excursion. Choose a visit to Radio Free Europe (journalism/communications focus), the Prague Municipal House (architecture focus), or the National Technical Museum (science/technology focus).
<b>Friday, January 10</b>	Free day to further explore Prague’s resources and to collaborate with colleagues  Evening: Scenic farewell dinner cruise on the Vltava River, both a popular tourist activity and local mode of transportation
<b>Saturday, January 11</b>	Hotel check-out and airport transfer in the morning Daytime flight to BWI Airport with a stopover in London

## Application and Payment\*

- Submit your application to your college’s MCCIEC representative by June 14, 2019, for best consideration. Applications received after this date will be considered by the MCCIEC on a space-available basis through August 23, 2019.
- The first payment of \$1,200 is due upon written notice of acceptance or by August 23, 2019, at the latest. Receipt of the first payment is required to secure participation.
- The remaining balance is due by November 1, 2019. Failure to pay on time may result in cancelation of participation.
- Payment must be made by check payable to MCCIEC.

## Logistics\*

- The **program fee of \$2,095** (shared double room accommodations) **or \$2,390** (single room accommodations) includes:
  - Round-trip airfare between BWI and Prague airports
  - Airport pick up and drop off in Prague
  - 5 nights hotel accommodation at the Hotel Rott
  - Full-time program director from CISabroad while in Prague
  - All breakfasts and two dinners, and coffee breaks during the conference sessions
  - Excursions and entrance fees listed in the itinerary
  - Basic CISabroad health insurance while in Prague
  - Use of conference center with audio-visual facilities
  - All relevant trip taxes/local duties/surcharges
  - Gratuities for program director, local guide and drivers

### **Not included** are

- Beverages with meals
  - Meals and activities that are not part of the itinerary or are optional
  - Upgraded travel and medical insurance (optional)
  - Extra baggage fees (As of today, one item of checked luggage is included.\*)
  - Visa and passport processing for non-US citizens (if applicable)
- **Participation** requires approval by MCCIEC. Decisions are based on proposal review and selection and institutional diversity. Limited seats may be open to guests if space is available.
  - **Accommodations** comprise five nights at the Hotel Rott, a centrally-located four-star property. Choose a double (shared) room or, for a surcharge, a single room. Note: Single rooms are limited; register early for priority.
  - **Meals** included in the program are hotel breakfasts each morning and two dinners at local restaurants. Coffee breaks are provided during the conference sessions.

\* *Program dates, itinerary, payments, and vendor policies are subject to change, and activities may be switched in the schedule or substituted based on availability. Travel provider CISabroad will confirm the final itinerary prior to departure.*



# Application for MCCIEC's 2020 Conference: The Meaning of Citizenship in Tumultuous Times in the Czech Republic

Session proposals are encouraged but not required for participation. Participation requires approval by MCCIEC. Seats are limited: Acceptance decisions will be based on proposal review/selection and institutional diversity.

<b>Full Name</b> as it should appear on a nametag		<b>College</b>	
<b>Job Title</b> as it should appear in a program			
<b>E-mail Address</b>		<b>Cell/Home Phone</b>	
		<b>Office Phone</b>	
<b>Accommodations</b>	<i>If accepted, I prefer</i> <input type="checkbox"/> shared double occupancy accommodations (\$2,095) <input type="checkbox"/> single occupancy accommodations (\$2,390)		
<b>Roommate Preference</b> (if applicable)	<i>If accepted, I would like to room with:</i>		
<b>Conference Goals</b>	<i>Please describe below your goal(s) for attending the conference (max. 50 words).</i>		
<b>Biography</b>	<i>Please provide below a short biography (max. 200 words). If admitted, this will be published in the conference program.</i>		
<b>Conference Proposal</b> (Optional)	<b>INSTRUCTIONS:</b> Plan for a 45 minute session. In the description below, address (1) how the proposal relates to the conference theme and (2) how the session would be interactive.		
	<b>Title:</b>  <b>Description</b> (max. 200 words):		



	<i>Describe below your relevant background/expertise specifically in relation to your proposal (max. 100 words).</i>

<b>Payment and Travel Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After written notice of acceptance by the MCCIEC, participants will be provided instructions to confirm conference participation. A non-refundable first payment of \$1,200 is due by August 23, 2019. Full payment must be made by November 1, 2019.</li> <li>• Failure to pay on time may result in automatic cancellation of participation. After registration, cancellation fees are pro-rated based on proximity to departure date.</li> <li>• The program includes <u>basic trip insurance</u> that covers the time in the Czech Republic. Participants may elect to upgrade this plan to include additional coverage by contacting a trusted travel company.</li> <li>• Participants are responsible for obtaining required travel documents and for providing the travel company with required post-acceptance paperwork by the due dates.</li> <li>• Participants will travel to and from the Czech Republic on the designated group flight.</li> <li>• Guests may be permitted to participate in the travel program on a space-available basis. If you wish to bring a guest, inform your MCCIEC representative and be prepared to supply your guest's information to the MCCIEC and travel providers should space become available.</li> </ul>
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*By my signature below, I certify that the information I have provided in this application is complete and correct. I acknowledge that the MCCIEC and its members accept no responsibility in whole or in part for any delays, delayed departure or arrival; missed train or other carrier connections; loss, damage, or injury to any person or property; or mechanical defect or failure of any nature, howsoever caused; or for any substitutions of program elements. Rates are quoted based on tariffs and exchange rates current at the time of printing and are subject to changes therein at or before the time of final payment. No revision of the printed program or its included features is anticipated; however, the right is reserved to make any changes that may become necessary with or without notice and with the mutual understanding that any additional expenses will be paid by the individual.*

*I assume full responsibility for all risks associated with my participation in the conference. I agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the MCCIEC and its members from and against any claim that I, the participant or any other person may have for any losses, damages or injuries arising out of or in connection with my participation.*

<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	
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