

**UNIVERSITY MATH AND STATS SUPPORT CENTRE AND HOW TO REDUCE A
RATE OF UNSUCCESSFUL STUDIES**

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Mathematics and Statistics underpin many university subjects in many disciplines (economics, engineering, biology, ...), but are often perceived as too difficult. This poses barriers to successful study. Furthermore, students often face difficulties with a data-driven approach in their final theses. Many higher education institutions throughout the world have established Mathematics and Statistics Support Centres (MSSC) to assist students with these issues. The first MSSC in the Czech Republic was established in 2016 at Masaryk University. Since then it has inspired other universities in the Czech Republic. It operates in a drop-in mode with support of staff-tutors and volunteering students. Since its establishment, there were more than 1000 visits related to study within the curriculum and for support on students' final theses.