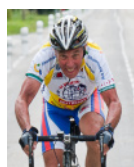

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Safely storing your bike at your destination is a problem faced by cyclists every day. The majority of faculties and halls of residence at CU give students and employees the option of storing their bikes under lock and key. In the cyclist-friendly Hradec Králové, bikes can even be parked in front of the Na Kotli university canteen.



Nearly 200,000 inhabitants of Prague above the age of fifteen use a bicycle at least once a week. Amongst these regular cyclists is Professor Pavel Pafko from the 1st Faculty of Medicine. The hilly Prague terrain and lack of cycle routes is no deterrent to the use of bicycles as a means of transport; the number of cyclists has actually been on the rise, and the University is happy to cater for them.

Cyclists at Charles University will not have to ask themselves the Neruda-esque question of: where to put it? A camera-monitored storage space for bicycles is available, for example, at the Faculty of Science. Bikes parked at the *koliště*, as it is known to students and teachers of the faculty in Viničná street, are even covered by the faculty's contents insurance, with the insurance company meeting the cost of any damage caused to bikes. Students and employees have access to the bike park on working days via use of a chip or special key.



While students and employees of the faculty can relax in the Brožek Genetic Garden, with a view of a small lake, cyclists from the CU Faculty of Mathematics and Physics have a pergola with a view over Prague. Bike-stands and showers for men and women will soon be available to students and employees of the Faculty of Arts; these are expected to be opened following the refurbishment of the courtyard of the building on Palachovo náměstí at the start of the coming winter term. Bike-stands are also in place at the Faculty of Law, the 3rd Faculty of Medicine and the faculties in Hradec Králové and Plzeň, the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Faculty of Physical Education and Sport and the Faculty of Humanities.

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