## **Procedure for the Matriculation Ceremony**

(According to the Matriculation and Graduation Code of CU)

- 1. Matriculated students in formal dress are seated in their places before the ceremony begins. Ceremonial procession, to the sound of music, in the following order:
  - a. the academic staff of the relevant faculty in academic gowns;
  - b. the vice-dean in his academic gown carrying academic insignia;
  - c. the Beadle of the faculty in Beadle's robe carrying academic insignia;
  - d. the Dean in academic gown carrying academic insignia;
  - e. the Rector's Beadle in Beadle's robe carrying academic insignia; and
  - f. the Rector in academic gown carrying academic insignia.
- 2. National anthem.
- 3. The Rector opens the assembly, addresses the audience, and invites the Dean to address the audience.
- 4. The Dean's address: "Your Magnificence, ... It is among the traditions of this University that at the beginning of their study the students take an academic oath. I would like to ask everybody in this hall to stand up and you, Your Honour, (Honorabilis) Vice-Dean, to read the oath."
- 5. The Vice-Dean reads the text of the oath: "I promise to exercise the rights and discharge the duties of a member of the academic community of Charles University properly. I promise to hold the glorious humanistic and democratic tradition of Charles University always in high regard, to care about its good reputation and to study so that my activity may benefit the society in all respects."
- 6. The students take the oath by raising their hand towards the head of the sceptre, shaking hands with the Dean, and saying "I promise".
- 7. The Rector: "You have taken the academic oath and Charles University admits you into its academic community. Remember this moment, remember what you have promised, and remember your personal resolution of these days. I believe that your resolution is good and honest. I wish you for all your resolutions to come true. Quod bonum, felix, faustum fortunatumque eveniat".
- 8. Music Old Czech hymn Jezu Kriste, štědrý kněže (Jesus Christ, generous Prince).
- 9. Departure from the hall under paragraph (2) in reverse order, to the sound of student anthem Gaudeamus igitur.