

## ABSTRACT

The diploma thesis explores the relation between the processes of segregation and integration through the study of everyday cohabitation and social interaction that takes place in areas of concentrated Russian immigrants in Prague. Given that some locations of Prague have a long experience with the immigration of Russians, this thesis is reflective of the historical development of the Russian immigration to the First Republic, which in some way helps to understand and explain the processes taking place presently on the unequal social and legal status of Russians, as immigrants from third countries, perceived through migration and integration policies of the Czech Republic. Analysis of the media's discourse shows the negative impact on Russian immigrants in social interactions with the majority, subsequently reducing integration and deepening social inequality. At the beginning, locations with a significant concentration of Russian immigrants are identified and defined by the quantitative research. Next, the daily interaction among Russian immigrants and the Czech majority is examined in selected locations by the qualitative research. The conclusions discuss how research of everyday cohabitation and social interaction contributed to the understanding of the processes of segregation and the integration in locations with a concentration of Russians immigrants.

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