

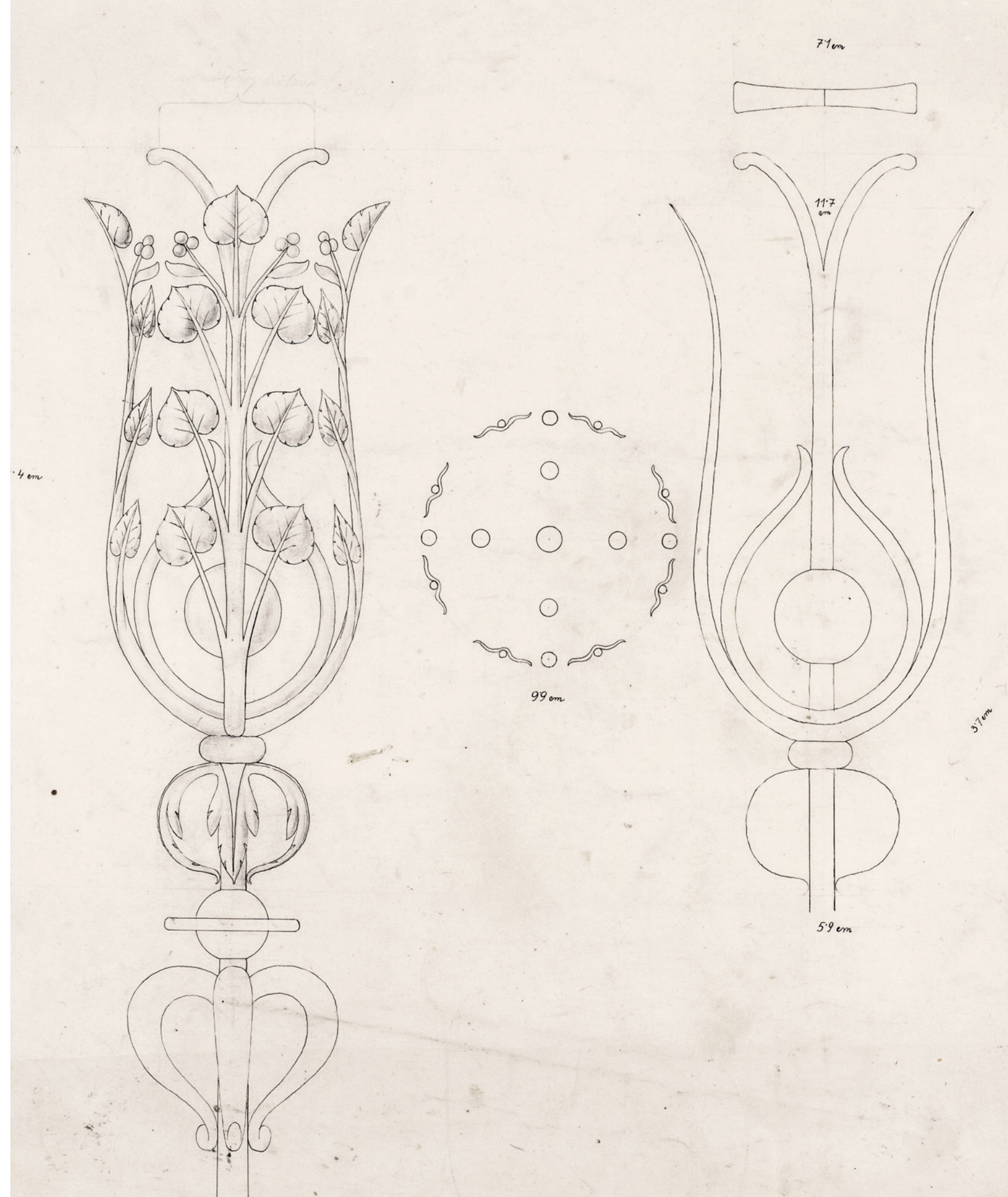
Introduction



University insignia are so much more than just glittering accessories of academic dignitaries during ceremonial acts: They are a symbol of the continuity of the institution, of the connection between past and present, even a promise of its future. They are symbols of wisdom. Their history is often complex, and often interfered with by political events or wars – as in the case of the University of Olomouc, whose original insignia were gradually moved from Olomouc to Brno in the second half of the 19th century due to circumstances and decisions of the time, and later passed to the University of Innsbruck, where they are still in use to this day. The effort to document all the maces and to present the collection in its entirety often resembled a detective investigation. As you can guess, it had a happy ending. Do you want to know more? Continue reading...

Editorial note

In addition to the maces, the catalogue also presents the chains of the rector and the deans, newly documented on the occasion of the 450th anniversary of the University of Olomouc. The university badges of office also include other insignia, i. e. chains of the vice-rectors and vice-deans, gowns and seals. Their documentation remains a task for our successors.





Rektorské žezlo jezuitské univerzity Rector's Mace of the Jesuit University

zhotoveno 1587 v dílně Davida Ebertha
made in 1587 in the workshop of David Eberth
v současnosti v držení Universität Innsbruck
currently in possession of the University of Innsbruck
kopii žezla věnovala Universität Innsbruck Univerzitě
Palackého roku 1998
a replica of the mace was donated by the University
of Innsbruck to Palacký University in 1998
stav/condition 2022

VÝŠKA/HEIGHT 123 cm

