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Visa-free entry to Hungary

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All scholarshipholders and self-financing
students

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Rules and visa-free residence in Hungary



- ❖ Without visa and a valid passport it is possible to stay for max. 90 days in Hungary.
- ❖ For longer stay, for studies: an application for study purpose RP has to be started within the first 90 days in Hungary.
- ❖ A residence permit can be obtained for max. 3 years! 😊



Visa-free countries and application for a residence permit

If the student is **not subject to visa**, there is **no need to apply** for a visa.

- The validity of the passport is affecting the expiry date of your RP.
- List of visa-free countries: Visa-free travel to Hungary on Consular Services' website

<https://konzinfo.mfa.gov.hu/en/visa-free-travel-hungary>

- Option for applying for a visa at home is **possible** and it makes processes quicker in Hungary.



Visa-free application for a residence permit in Hungary



- **Students without a visa** have to start their application using [Enter Hungary](https://enterhungary.gov.hu/eh/?en)
- <https://enterhungary.gov.hu/eh/?en>
- EH-case submission: at least 2 days before biometric data recording
- Biometric data recording: within 15 DAYS (not working days!!!)



- **Step 1: Enrolment! A student status certificate is available only Aug 26 - Sept 4!**
- Step 2: Suggested EH-start: in Hungary; intl coordinator can help; [online guide](#) available on our website!
- Step 3a: Appointment for **visa-free MATE group** on **29/09/2026**
- Step 3b: Registration is necessary:
<https://forms.gle/bvJhYLadSiuDDx4d9>



Responsible regional directorates

Your address determines where you belong to!

- Buda, Gödöllő >> **BUDAPEST AND PEST COUNTY REGIONAL DIRECTORATE, Client Service 2**
- Károly Róbert, Gyöngyös > **MISKOLC**
- Kaposvár > **KAPOSVÁR**
- Georgikon, Keszthely > **ZALAEGERSZEG**

Website of Immigration Office

National Directorate-General for Aliens Policing



- <https://oif.gov.hu/>
- <https://oif.gov.hu/students>



Purpose of study - <https://oif.gov.hu/factsheets/residence-of-the-student-pupil>

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Enter Hungary platform – EH number



<https://en.uni-mate.hu/documents/d/hungarian-university-of-agriculture-and-life-sciences/guide-for-enter-hungary-for-students-1-pdf>

- <https://enterhungary.gov.hu/eh/>
- Scroll down to „make a registration” embedded in the continuous text

This system helps you submit your application for a residence permit in Hungary electronically, without queuing. If you wish to enter Hungary or the Schengen Area from abroad, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade will help you.

You can submit your e-application as a private person or a preferred employer/temporary work agency, as well as a legal representative. You need to [make a registration](#) before submitting the first application. The registration procedure varies in the case of a

Menedékes regisztrálás (How to submit a simplified application for recognition)

[As a private person](#)

[As a preferred employer or temporary work agency](#)

[By a legal representative](#)

Related to the use of the website, the user guide includes a detailed description.



Start a new case



Application for a residence permit



Pursuing studies or student mobility

Application for Studies and Student Mobility

Purpose-specific documents



- <https://en.uni-mate.hu/first-entry-to-hungary>
- Student status cert. from 26 Aug - 4 Sept 2026
- ***Letter of Award*** from TPF OR ***Certificate of Scholarship (Erasmus)***
- ***Letter of Acceptance*** from MATE (MISP & Self-financed students – only this doc)
- MISP & Self-financed sts: verification of transfer of the tuition fee
- ☐ No procedural fee for ministry scholarship holders (SH, SCYP, FAO, Diaspora)

Necessary documents

EH12345678_Application for studies and student mobility_ 



- **Application form** ("Application for Residence Permit") **ONLINE**
- **Appendix 9.13** (for pursuit of studies or student mobility!)
- **Passport (full copy including all pages in one compressed-size pdf)**
- **Legal address documents**

- Your **lease contract** (if you rent a flat or room)
- **Reservation confirmation** from your dormitory
- **Notification of Accommodation** – generated by the system, signed by the landlord/coordinator and YOU



- **a passport-size photo**
- **Proof of insurance coverage** (not equal to travel insurance) - for Ministry scholarship holders, the **Letter of Award** replaces this document
- Self-financed: Immigration Office requires a **proof of regular income** OR saved money enough for the full time of staying in Hungary. max. 3 years at a time. How much? > Difficult to specify.
- **Documentation about your sponsors** (birth certificates / marriage certificate)
- **Procedural fee: 26.000 HUF (60 EUR)** – residence permit application, submitted in Hungary

**3 system-generated docs,
downloadable from the
yellow folder under your
case!**

>> **Ministry scholarship holders are exempt from the fee**

How to get your residence permit?

- After getting the positive decision via EH , in 2-3 weeks **residence permit arrives to your International Coordinator.**
>> wait for their notification and come to collect it.
- No documents but a confirming signature is needed upon the receipt of your residence permit.
- Your **e-certificate of accommodation** will be sent to you electronically (in an email) by the Immigration Office together with the positive decision.
- If your accommodation has changed since you applied for the residence permit, you have to report the change to Immigration Office.



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Budapesti és Pest Vármegyei Regionális Igazgatóság

SZÁLLÁSHELY-IGAZOLÁS


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neme: férfi, anyja neve: ~~Mwambi Laura Wanjira~~)

kenyai állampolgár részére

Bejelentett szálláshely adatai:
2100 Gödöllő, Páter Károly utca 1.



1) Student Mobility Certificate - non-EU/EEA

2) Registration certificate - EU/EEA



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1) free of charge; Enter Hungary/in person - A Student Mobility Certificate is for non-EU/EEA students who already hold a valid study-purpose residence permit from another EU Member State and come to Hungary temporarily to complete part of their studies, provided the mobility is covered by an **EU/multilateral mobility programme (e.g. Erasmus+)** or an **inter-institutional agreement**. E.g.: a non-EU student studying in Italy with an Italian study residence permit who comes to MATE for one Erasmus+ semester.

2) 6,700 HUF; in person - EU/EEA students staying in Hungary for more than 90 days must register their residence and obtain a Registration Certificate. The current fee is HUF 1,000, plus HUF 5,700 for the issuance and postal delivery of the address card (lalcímkártya), making the total cost HUF 6,700.

Document/procedure	Fee
Total	HUF 6,700
Address card (lalcímkártya) – issuance + postal delivery	HUF 5,700
Registration certificate (regisztrációs igazolás)	HUF 1,000

How to avoid administrative difficulties

- Passport = Basis of your name in Hungary
- Family name(s) first! (all name(s) in front of <<)
- Given name(s) second
- Mother's MAIDEN name
- 2 names!
- Family name << given name < given name
- Check your DreamApply profile > Ask for correction! (stipendiumhungaricum@tpf.hu)
- Check your Neptun account after enrolment! Ask for correction!



Dormitory addresses for visa application

- Szent István Campus – 2100 Gödöllő, Páter Károly utca 1.
- Buda Campus – 1118 Budapest, Szüret utca 2–18.
- Károly Róbert Campus – 3200 Gyöngyös, Bene út 69.
- Kaposvár Campus – 7400 Kaposvár, Guba Sándor utca 40.
- Georgikon Campus – 8360 Keszthely, Festetics út 5.

<https://en.uni-mate.hu/accommodation>

- Where can I get attestation (**Reservation confirmation**) for being resided in the dormitory?
>>> Dorm coordinators



Dormitory application – available!

Apply AFTER being accepted

<https://en.uni-mate.hu/accommodation>

- Szent István Campus – 2100 Gödöllő, Páter Károly utca 1. - https://kollegium.uni-mate.hu/english_szic
- Buda Campus – 1118 Budapest, Szüret utca 2–18. - <https://kollegium.uni-mate.hu/english-bc>
- **Károly Róbert Campus** – 3200 Gyöngyös, Bene út 69. - <https://kollegium.uni-mate.hu/english-krc>
- Kaposvár Campus – 7400 Kaposvár, Guba Sándor utca 40. - <https://kollegium.uni-mate.hu/english-kc>
- Georgikon Campus – 8360 Keszthely, Festetics út 5. – https://kollegium.uni-mate.hu/english_gc

Application is available soon until July 15, 2026.

Those who have already sent it DO NOT RE-SEND it, PLEASE!!!

- It is really time-consuming to process all emails and issue the **Reservation confirmation** >>> Dorm coordinators' contact details are on **Accommodation** page.
- Dorm fee can only be paid in **Hungarian forints (HUF)**
- **Unfortunately, we will unlikely be able to accommodate students from Buda Campus in Gödöllő next academic year, as more than 300 "returning" students have applied. There will be a waiting list even for students from Gödöllő this year.**



Rent a flat – if dorm option is not available

Here are some links where you can find Budapest accommodation:

- [Móricz Student Living](#)
- [Commercial rentals in Hungary](#)
- [Housing rentals in Hungary](#)
- [Dean's Budapest](#)
- [Erasmusu.com - Budapest, University dorm](#)
- [Housing anywhere](#)
- [Student room for rent Budapest, Student Accommodation Diáklakás Diákszállás](#)
- [Budapest flats and apartments for rent](#)
- [SRS Budapest](#)
- <http://huniversity.hu/>
- [FLATS FOR ERASMUS IN BUDAPEST](#)
- [BudapestApartmentLets](#)
- [Erasmus Rooms and Flats in Budapest](#)
- [Budapest Rent](#)
- [Hostelbookers](#)
- [Bdhotel.hu](#)
- [VISIT Kollegium](#) (in Hungarian but they'll reply you in English)



Mentor program

- SH and ESN mentor program; MATE Mentorprogram is being set up.
- Inclusion of other program participants and self-financing students
- How to become an SH mentee:

<https://shmentor.hu/en/registration>

- <https://www.esn.hu/guide-hungary> - Erasmus Student Network Hungary
- Welcome letter for all MATE students will be sent
- Orientation programmes - dedicated website will be updated by summer
- orientation programmes are being organised
- Arrival > 1-10 Sept, after this: Neptun request (30 Sept)



Arrival form for everybody

<https://forms.gle/zakr63zTEXLndh59A>

- Fill it to inform dorm coordinators and international coordinators + taxi driver, Mr. Károly Hódi.
- Tel: +36 20 3831 832. (apps.: whatsapp, viber, facebook messenger)
e-mail: csoma1971@gmail.com
- Taxi drive is free for Gödöllő dorm students with ministry scholarship (SH, SCYP, HDS, FAO) but in case others (Erasmus, MISP, self-financing) can join in, they do not need to pay.
- To Budapest centre: bus 100E, 2200HUF,
<https://bkk.hu/en/visiting-budapest/247-connection-between-the-airport-and-the-city-centre/>
- Students towards Gödöllő OR Gyöngyös > direct train from Keleti Railway station (Bp > Gödöllő > Gyöngyös)



Visit in the Immigration Office

Details and location:

- Client Service II. (Budapest) IMMIGRATION OFFICE (Országos Idegenrendészeti Főigazgatóság - OIF) <http://oif.gov.hu/index.php?lang=en>
- **Address: 1135 Budapest, District XIII, 35-37 Szegedi út (Twin Office Building, Ground floor)**

Meeting at the front gate at 9:00 on the given day - 29 Sept - where you can see the **TWIN BUILDING** script on the building and **not** where the bus stop is.

- **How to get there:** Buses start from Keleti Railway Station. Take any of the buses of No.20E, No.30, No.30A and No.32. Get off at "Szegedi út" bus stop.
- Please, bring your personal documents and **PASSPORT** with you.



Useful links

- Immigration Office for Students' cases:
- [National Directorate-General for Aliens Policing](https://oif.gov.hu/) - <https://oif.gov.hu/>
- <https://oif.gov.hu/students>
- <https://oif.gov.hu/students> - **Residence of students: Residence Permit for the Purpose of Studies, the student mobility residence permit, student mobility certificate, registration certificate**
- MATE website – constantly updated
- <https://en.uni-mate.hu/en/welcome-information>
- <https://en.uni-mate.hu/orientation> Registration link: <https://forms.gle/cwKBSAJkgmPATM8U9>
- <https://en.uni-mate.hu/web/hungarian-university-of-agriculture-and-life-sciences/residence-permit>



Contacts

Check our [website](#) and

[FB page](#) - International students at MATE (former SZIU) - regularly.

<https://en.uni-mate.hu/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1680505468842111>

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Keszthely – Ms. Bernadett Zsankó-Bődör Zsanko-Bodor.Beata@uni-mate.hu

Slides and link are/will be available on Online Guiding Sessions webpage!

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***Welcome Information* page is now being updated!**

<https://en.uni-mate.hu/en/welcome-information>





Welcome to



See you in Hungary soon!

