

**Information
for scholarship applicants
of the Hungarian Language and Cultural Studies Programme (cross-semester)
of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary**

Contact:

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Please always indicate the full name of the applicant, country of origin and the name of the training in the "Subject" field of the email when you request information regarding the call-for-application or the submitted application.

Information about applying for the scholarship

- Scholarship winners are advised to follow with attention the information on the government portal: <https://konzinfo.mfa.gov.hu/en> before entering the country.
- **Scholarship winners will be continuously informed about the tasks required to start the training and move into the accommodation and the conditions according to the Hungarian legislation and/or the regulations of the scholarship program.**
- If the student does not have the **vaccinations required in Hungary** (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP); polio vaccination series; MMR vaccination (2 doses); hepatitis B vaccination) **then we recommend submitting them before entering Hungary.** Before enrolling in the training, we **recommend that the scholarship winners complete and evidence the results of the basic health screenings (AIDS, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Lung X-ray) with a certificate in Hungarian or English.**
- After arrival, the scholarship holder must participate in a health screening examination organized by KKM MDA Kft. **Please bring a copy of your international vaccination book** (or any other documents containing vaccinations you have received). If, as a result of this screening test or any additional medical examination prescribed by the doctor, the applicant is classified as “not recommended agreement for training from medical point of view” or the applicant refuses to complete the screening tests and mandatory vaccinations, a scholarship contract will not be concluded, and the training cannot begin. If the contract has already been concluded, it will be terminated immediately and the scholarship holder will no longer participate in the training, and is obliged to move out of the accommodation within 3 days. If, during the training period, the scholarship holder’s qualification “recommended agreement for training from medical point of view” changes to qualification “not recommended agreement for training from medical point of view”, the scholarship contract be terminated immediately.
- Scholarship winners will be informed about the conditions for moving to the accommodation (including medical conditions), before the start of the academic year.
- **Participation in the education is obligatory**, in case of failure to do so or in case of violation of the study and examination regulations, the training and scholarship contract may be terminated.
- The scholarship is not expected to cover living expenses. Approximately USD 250/month is recommended for food, public transport season ticket and any other personal expenses.
- If the scholarship holder does not meet the conditions required for the successful completion of the training due to a reason attributable to them, they may be excluded from future application opportunities by MFA for Hungarian and foreign citizens.

Information on health care

Social health insurance

Our scholarship students are entitled to the Hungarian social health insurance, which guarantees health care free of charge (access to a hospital or specialist medical care).

Scholarship winners may apply for a Hungarian TAJ number to be entitled to social health insurance. Exceptions to this are the applicants with active EU health insurance. Eligibility for the application is guaranteed by the scholarship, but it is possible that the claiming has special conditions (eg. a double health insurance agreement between Hungary and the scholarship holder's country of origin.).

On special circumstances of social health insurance:

- Obtaining and activating the social **health insurance** card might take a long time: depending on the administration up to 2-6 months after your arrival to Hungary. During this period, free use of health services might be limited.
- Please be aware that **double health insurance is prohibited** for citizens of the EU and some other countries (e.g. Ukraine, Serbia, Turkiye). This means that they may apply for Hungarian social health insurance only if they resign from their social health insurance in their own country. To do this, they need to obtain a certifying document from their country of origin before they can acquire social health insurance in Hungary.
- In case of any **chronic illness**, we suggest taking out personal, self-paid health insurance during the period of your studies.

Information for students from the European Union

Being aware of the prohibition of double health insurance, please decide whether to apply for Hungarian health insurance or not.

- **In case you decide to apply**, please obtain the above-mentioned certifying document from your country (and if possible, get yourself secured at any insurance company before your Hungarian health insurance card /„TAJ kártya”/ gets activated).
- **In case you do not want to resign from your social health insurance in your own country**, please obtain the **European Health Insurance Card** (hereafter: card) before entering Hungary. **The card must be presented upon your arrival in Hungary, at the time of enrolment.**



Please note that you can only receive emergency care with this card. The usage of the card must be based upon valid health insurance in your own country. Please be aware of this. To access full health care service, we suggest taking out additional health insurance during your studies in Hungary.

Information for students from outside the European Union

Being aware of the **prohibition of double health insurance**, please decide whether to apply for Hungarian health insurance or not.

- **In case you decide to apply**, please obtain the above mentioned certifying document from your country (and if possible, get yourself secured at any insurance company before your Hungarian health insurance card /„TAJ kártya”/ gets activated).
- **In case you decide not to apply**, we suggest taking out personal, self-paid health insurance during the period of your studies.

Health care service at the accommodation

A nurse is available at the accommodation and/or in the education institution in any minor health-related issues. However, these health care services do not allow hospitalization, surgery, or prescribing of supported medicines.