

**Information
for scholarship applicants
of the Hungarian Language and Cultural Studies Programme
of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary**

Contact:

- **Website:** <https://balassieducation.hu/call-for-application-hungarian-cultural-studies>
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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 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 programme.**
- **The programme is operated within the framework of adult education at the time of the application, however, it is possible that this may change before or during the start of the academic year. The scholarship winners will be informed of any changes.**
- **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 scholarship and training agreement 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 foreign citizens abroad.

Information on health suitability

- The medical protocol can be found at <https://balassieducation.hu/en/regulations/medical-protocol/>
- 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 getting them before entering Hungary.**
- Before enrolling in the training, during the data request, we **recommend that the scholarship winners complete and evidence the results of the basic health screenings (AIDS, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, chest X-ray) with a certificate in Hungarian or English.**
- The scholarship holder **must declare** at the beginning of the training at the latest on **the existence of the results of the health examinations necessary for studies in Hungary or, in the absence of this declaration, must participate in a health screening examination** organized by the MFA and KKM MDA Ltd. Scholarship holders with the right of free movement and residence or with a long-term residence permit may participate in the screening test based on their voluntary declaration.
- Please bring **a copy of your international vaccination book** to the health screening test (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 may be terminated immediately.

Information of health care

Social health insurance

Scholarship winners must have a Hungarian social security identification number (hereinafter referred to as TAJ number) in order to establish a scholarship relationship. If they do not have a TAJ number, they must apply for one. Eligibility for the application is guaranteed by the scholarship.

(Exceptions to this are the applicants with active EU health insurance.)

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 several months after the 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, Türkiye). In this case, the scholarship holders may apply for Hungarian social health insurance only if they renounce from their social health insurance in their home 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 strongly recommend taking out individual, self-paid health insurance during the period of the studies, even if eligibility for social health insurance.

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 renounce 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 individual, 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.