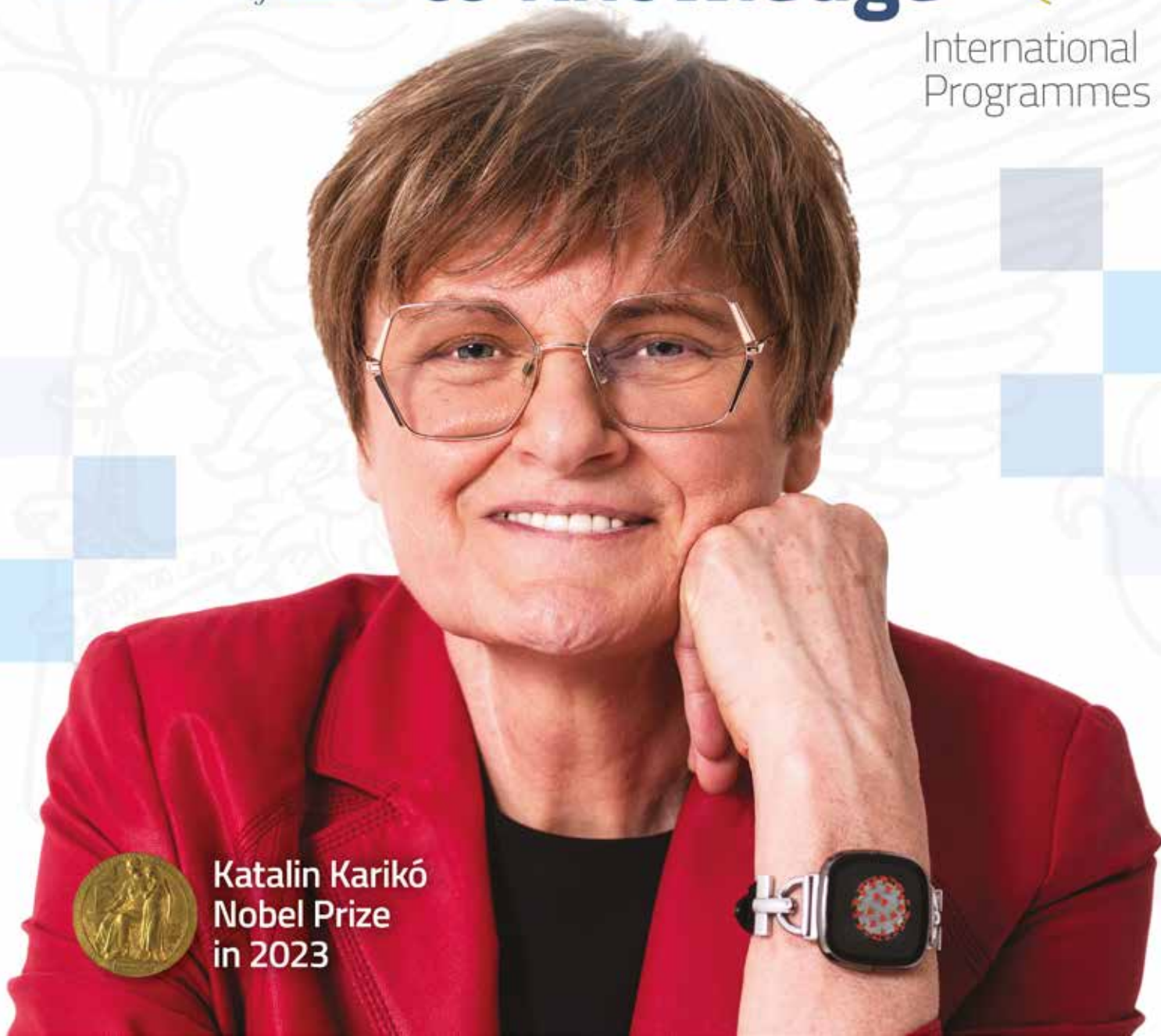


SZTE
UNIVERSITY of SZEGED

**Your Gateway
to Knowledge**



International
Programmes



Katalin Karikó
Nobel Prize
in 2023



Heartily welcome to the University of Szeged, Your Gateway to Knowledge!

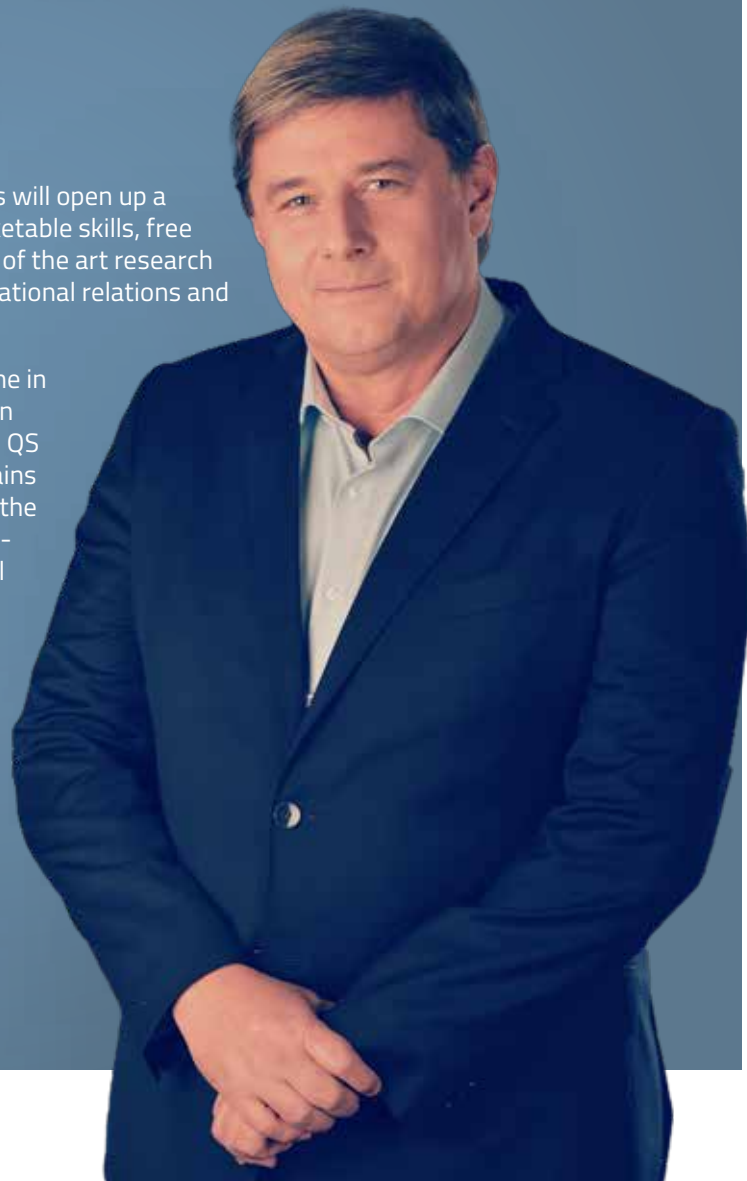
Our international programmes at our 12 faculties will open up a new world for you, with European degrees, marketable skills, free access to Coursera's educational platform, state of the art research facilities, endless possibilities through our international relations and a thriving, multicultural intellectual community.

The University of Szeged (SZTE, short for its name in Hungarian) has been ranked the best university in Hungary for years, according to the international QS World University Rankings. This guidebook contains all the important information you need to select the right programme for you: we collected all the full-time study programmes taught in English as well as the services offered to our students and the advantages of being part of the University's community. I truly hope that after going through this guidebook you will be convinced to submit your application to the University of Szeged and start your studies with us!



PROF. DR. LÁSZLÓ ROVÓ

Rector



Why Choose the **SZTE** UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED ?

■ Valuable, European Degrees

Whether you earn a degree in the field of health, social-, natural sciences, engineering or arts and humanities, the knowledge gained here will be your gateway to a promising professional career!

■ More Than 80 International Programmes

The 12 faculties of the University offer a wide range of full-time educational programmes for international students. [See pages 8-9.](#)

■ The Best University in Hungary

We've been ranked the [best University in Hungary](#) among the world's leading institutions according to the QS World University Rankings®. It has been the home institution to Nobel Laureates, such as Albert Szent-Györgyi and Katalin Karikó.

■ Affordable Tuition Fees and Funding Options

We are active participant in governmental and European scholarship programmes like the [Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme](#). [See page 12-13.](#) Also, the city's student-friendly prices will make Szeged your second hometown. [See page 26.](#)

■ Excellent Public Safety

Hungary, and the city of Szeged in particular is known for its safety and low crime rate.

■ University Campus Situated in the Heart of the City

The campus of SZTE is a so-called [urban campus](#), with the different buildings of the institution scattered around downtown Szeged, with almost everything within walking distance. [See pages 24-25.](#)

■ Multicultural Environment

The University is home to a thriving, cosmopolitan community of around [5.000 international students](#) coming from more than [130 countries!](#)

Albert Szent-Györgyi & Vitamin C

Nobel Laureate and one-time Rector of the University of Szeged, Albert Szent-Györgyi received the Nobel Prize in 1937 for his discoveries in connection with the biological combustion process with special reference to vitamin C and the catalysis of fumaric acid. He also recognized that Szeged paprika contained more of the substance hexuronic acid (i.e. vitamin C) than citrus fruits. The University of Szeged is committed to preserving the scientific heritage of Albert Szent-Györgyi.

1937



Nobel
in Physiology

Katalin Karikó & the mRNA vaccines

Katalin Karikó, awardee of the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine is an honorary doctor, Research professor and Alumna of the University of Szeged. She received the Nobel Prize jointly with her colleague, Drew Weissman “for their discoveries concerning base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19”.

Katalin Karikó began studying RNA at the University of Szeged and the Szeged Biological Research Centre at a time when it was largely considered uninteresting as a therapeutic molecule, but her dedication over the past three decades helped bringing mRNA vaccines to the world. Her achievements emphasize the importance of basic research.

2023



Prize
or Medicine



More than 80 Full-time Educational Programmes for International Students



18 BACHELOR'S

6 PREPARATORY

3 UNDIVIDED / ONE-TIER
MASTER'S PROGRAMME

34 MASTER'S

19 DOCTORAL



19 Doctoral Schools

OFFER PHD
PROGRAMMES
IN ENGLISH

2400+

ACADEMIC
RESEARCH &
TEACHING STAFF

STUDENT: ACADEMIC STAFF
RATIO

10 : 1



AMONG THE BEST

610

UNIVERSITIES
OF THE WORLD

28

RESEARCH GROUPS

SUPPORTED BY THE HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES



SZEGED LISTED AMONG THE

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BEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS IN EUROPE

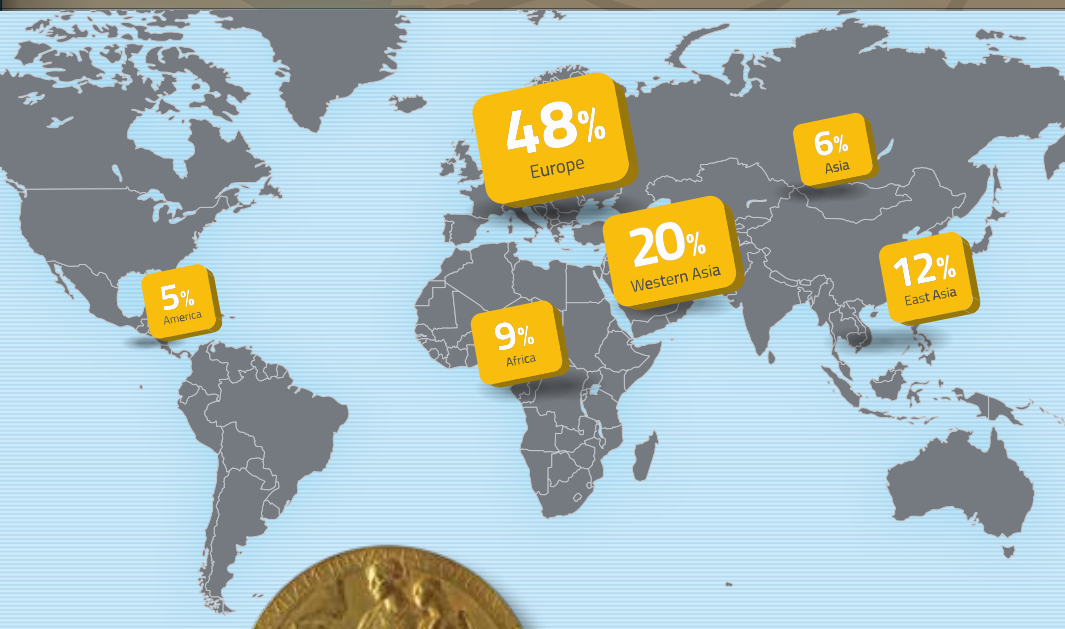
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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

TRADITION SINCE THE

16th

CENTURY



2

NOBEL LAUREATES







130




COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

575

ERASMUS+ PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

International Degree Programmes in English or in Other Languages

Bachelor's	Master's / Undivided Masters	Doctoral Schools
 <p>Nurse BSc Physiotherapist BSc</p>	<p>Dental Medicine DMD General Medicine in English MD General Medicine in German MD Pharmacy PharmD</p>	<p>Clinical Medicine PhD Interdisciplinary Science PhD Multidisciplinary Sciences PhD Theoretical Medicine PhD Pharmaceutical Sciences PhD</p>
 <p>Agricultural Engineering BSc Biochemical Engineering BSc</p>	<p>Food Science and Technology Engineering MSc</p>	
 <p>Business Administration & Management BSc Tourism & Catering BSc</p>	<p>International Economy & Business MSc</p>	<p>Economics PhD</p>
	<p>Computer Science MSc Applied Mathematics MSc</p>	<p>Computer Science PhD Mathematics PhD</p>
 <p>Performance BA (piano, violin, guitar, flute, trombone, classical singing)</p>	<p>Classical Musical Instrumental Performance MA (piano, flute, violin, cello, guitar, trombone, viola, French horn) Classical Singing MA (opera singing, oratorio and song performance)</p>	
	<p>International Relations MA in English International Relations MA in French Comparative Intellectual Property Law LLM/Cert. Legal Consultant in International & EU Trade & Investment Law LLM/Cert.</p>	<p>Law and Political Sciences PhD</p>

Bachelor's	Master's / Undivided Masters	Doctoral Schools
 <p> English & American Studies BA French Studies BA German Studies BA Italian Studies BA Spanish Studies BA </p>	<p> American Studies MA English Studies MA French Studies MA German Studies MA Hungarian Studies MA Italian Studies MA Spanish Studies MA Russian Studies MA </p>	<p> Linguistics (in English, French, Russian, German) PhD Literary Studies (in English, French, Russian, German, Italian) PhD </p>
	<p> Instructor of English as a Foreign Language MA Educational Science MA Study of Religions MA Philosophy MA </p>	<p> Philosophy PhD Educational Sciences PhD History PhD </p>
 <p> Biochemical Engineering BSc </p>	<p> Biology MSc Chemistry MSc Geography MSc </p>	<p> Biology PhD Chemistry PhD Environmental Sciences PhD Geosciences PhD Physics PhD </p>

HOW TO APPLY

Application happens entirely online, via our DreamApply platform:

<https://apply.u-szeged.hu/>

Before applying, please check our website:

www.u-szeged.hu/offered-international-programs, and read the course description of the programme you're interested in.

The application process is different for each programme, however, there are certain elements which apply to each applicant.

General Requirements:

- Submit the online application form in DreamApply
- Pay the application and entrance exam fees
- Upload the required documents presenting the applicants academic background and the required language proficiency.

Faculty-based Requirements:

In addition to the General Requirements some Faculties may ask for a motivational letter, entrance examination or individual online interview.

Please check your mailbox regularly, and if you have questions, contact us at international@szte.hu



Time zone
CET (UTC+1)

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walking distance

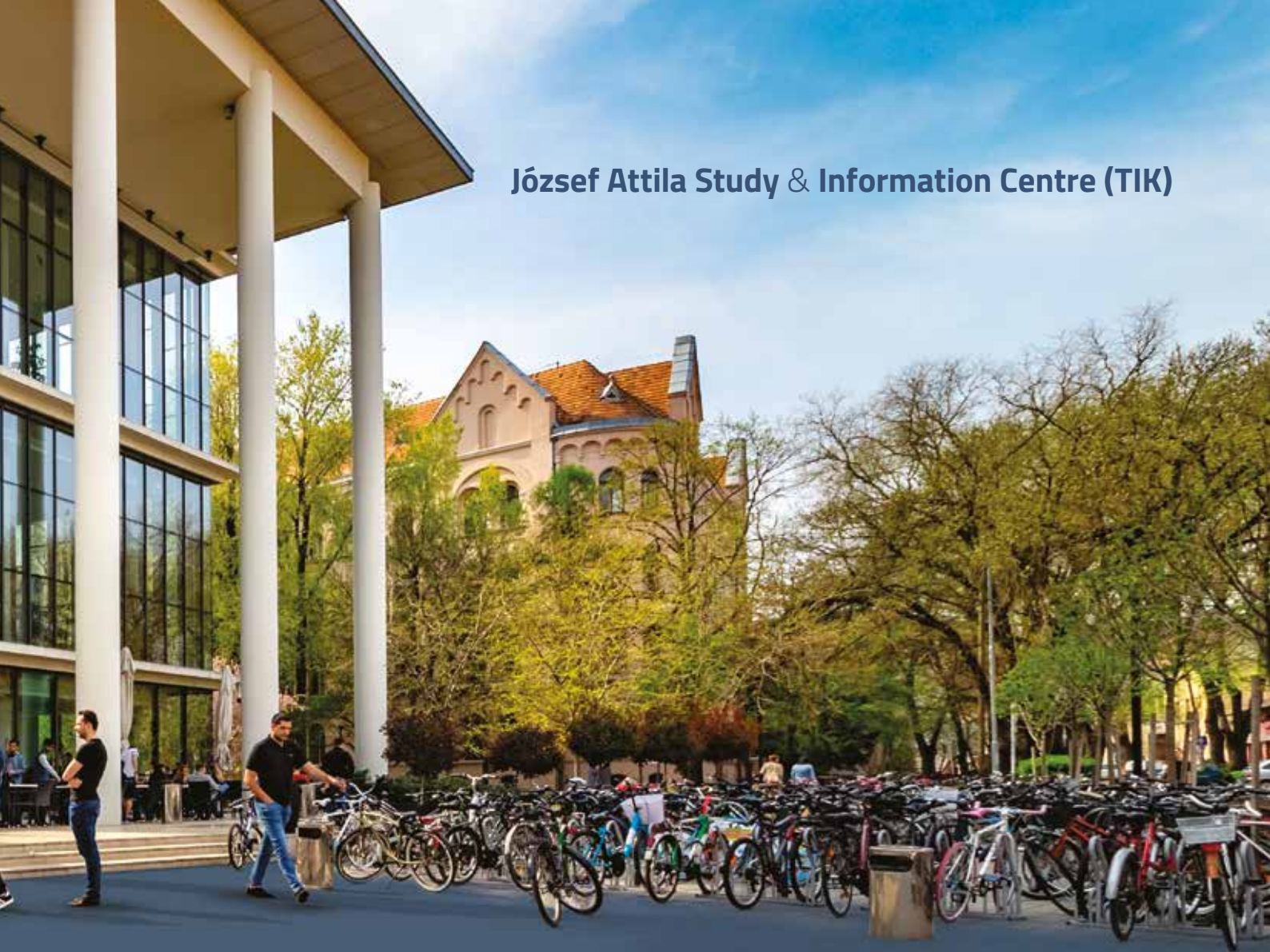


Large variety of
cafes, pubs, &
restaurants

Dormitories
scattered
across town



József Attila Study & Information Centre (TIK)



**University
buildings located
in downtown
Szeged**

63km



bike lanes

**Tram-Train
Hódmezővásárhely**

(Faculty of Agriculture)

40 minutes

(from centre to centre)



Scholarship Options funded by the Hungarian Government



STIPENDIUM HUNGARICUM SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Students from 65 countries of the world can enrol to the international programmes of the University of Szeged. The programme is based on bilateral educational cooperation agreements signed between the Ministry of Human Capacities of Hungary and the partner authority, detailing available fields, levels and types of study.

THE SCHOLARSHIP COVERS

- tuition-free education,
 - monthly stipend,
 - accommodation contribution
- medical insurance(s):
- national health insurance card and supplementary medical insurance.

For further information, please contact: www.u-szeged.hu/scholarship/stipendium-hungaricum.

Apply to the programme here:

www.u-szeged.hu/how-to-apply/stipendium

HUNGARIAN DIASPORA SCHOLARSHIP

Its main goal is to support those who wish to rediscover and reconnect to their Hungarian heritage and want to become professionals on a field that can contribute to the prosperity of their diaspora community as well. The Scholarship is available for bachelor's, master's, one-tier master's, doctoral, non-degree programmes (preparatory and specialisation courses) and postgraduate specialist training courses.

For the details please visit:

www.u-szeged.hu/scholarship/hungarian-diaspora





EU Funded Scholarship Programmes

SCHOLARSHIP FOR CHRISTIAN YOUNG PEOPLE

The core mission of the programme is to provide opportunities to pursue higher education studies in Hungarian host institutions for Christian youth living in crisis regions of the world or being threatened in their countries because of their faith. The scholarship is announced for the citizens of Egypt, Lebanese Republic, Republic of Iraq, State of Israel, Palestine, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Syrian Arab Republic, Republic of Kenya, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Republic of Armenia and Nigeria.

For more info visit this website:

www.u-szeged.hu/scholarship/for-christian-youth

ERASMUS+

It is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe. The University has 1196 ERASMUS+ bilateral agreements with 575 partner universities in 30 countries.

www.u-szeged.hu/scholarship/_erasmus

CEEPUS

The Central European Exchange Programme for University Studies is available since 1994. SZTE has been achieving common curriculum development, organizing student mobility and summer schools with 145 partner universities in 19 networks.

www.u-szeged.hu/scholarship/_ceepus

SZTE START SCHOLARSHIP

It is a merit based, one time contribution to students who applied and enrolled by the given deadline to the University of Szeged, to start their studies in September.

For more information visit:

<https://u-szeged.hu/scholarship/szte-start-scholarship>



RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT & INNOVATION



The University of Szeged is a center of research, development and innovation (R&D&I) excellence. The institution is an officially recognized research university, with 2200+ instructors and other scholars actively involved in national and international research projects. Numerous of these projects are conducted in the Szeged Biological Research Centre, in the Szent-Györgyi Albert Medical Center and in the ELI-ALPs Laser Research Center (Extreme Light Infrastructure – Attosecond Light Pulse Source). ELI-ALPs' world-class equipment is the first infrastructure in the world capable of investigating the interactions between light and matter with the highest intensity, in the so-called ultra-relativistic range.



The Hungarian Centre of Excellence for Molecular Medicine (HCEMM) is working on research and development related to healthy ageing. For the administration of the HCEMM program, HCEMM Kft. was incorporated by the Biological Research Center Szeged (BRC), the Semmelweis University in Budapest and the University of Szeged (SZTE). The European Molecular Biological Laboratory (EMBL)

functions as the advanced partner of HCEMM. In addition to the initial E.U. Teaming Grant that led to the creation of HCEMM, the Centre of Excellence has also received National Laboratory status in Hungary in 2020. PhD students of SZTE may participate in educational programs and international cooperations for the members of the research groups.

9 UNIVERSITIES, 1 GOAL

Building Europe's Campus for Global Health

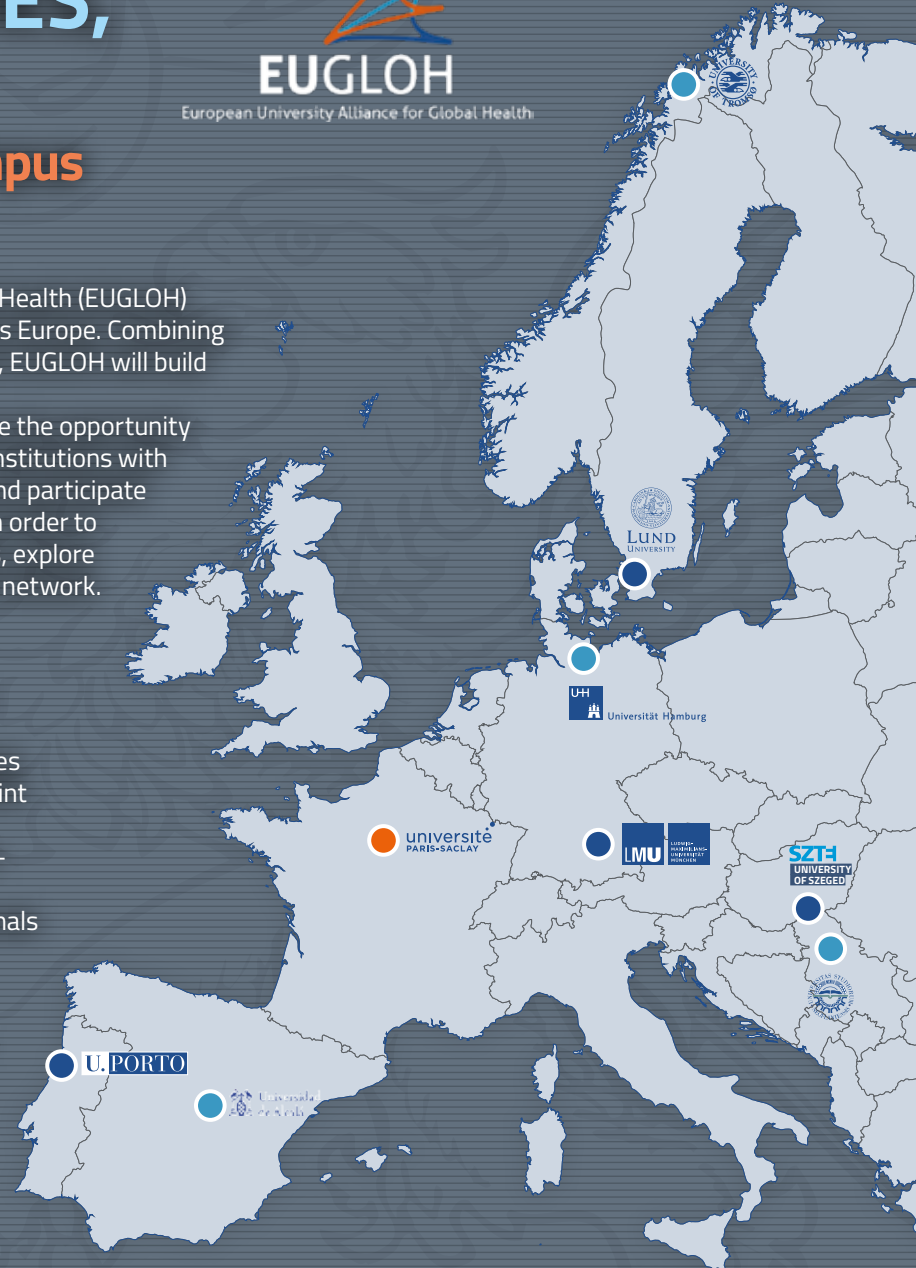
The European University Alliance for Global Health (EUGLOH) brings together nine universities from across Europe. Combining their outstanding expertise in Global Health, EUGLOH will build the European University of the future.

All students of the University of Szeged have the opportunity to visit the other EUGLOH Alliance partner institutions with short- and long-term Erasmus mobilities, and participate in various courses, workshops and events in order to deepen their knowledge, improve their skills, explore other cultures and widen their international network.

Key Goals of EUGLOH

- Interdisciplinary Global Health programmes across universities – striving towards a joint European degree.
- A vibrant, multicultural and inclusive inter-university campus.
- Mobility for students, staff and professionals – physical and virtual.
- Strong links between higher education, research and local socio-economic ecosystems to prepare young people for the jobs and challenges of tomorrow.
- Empowering future generations to find solutions for Global Health challenges.

www.eugloh.eu





FACULTY OF HUMANITIES



FACULTY OF SCIENCE & INFORMATICS

Zsuzsa Kecsmár, MSc

First Mate, ANTAVO

What makes a company successful?

Zsuzsa Kecsmár, **founding member and marketing manager of Antavo, a startup dealing with customer loyalty programs**, says learning never ends, the market changes fast at a breakneck speed therefore students just should go for it! *"There will never be a good time to start a business, you can always find excuses as to why you shouldn't do it. It's not "rocket science", you just have to do it, and you're done."* She encourages all graduating university students to start building their startups as soon as they leave the university. As she says *"An idea is nothing in itself; the point is the implementation."*



Katalin Varjú, PhD

Physicist Research Director,

What is the scientist's superpower?

"Every field of research hides something exciting to discover" says Katalin Dr. Geretovszkyné Dr. Varjú, Research Director at ELI ALPS, associate professor at the Department of Optics and Quantum Electronics, Institute of Physics of SZTE Faculty of Science and Informatics. She believes that the superpower of scientists is laid in the knowledge of the laws of nature: one can get as close to controlling its processes as possible. She encourages students to take advantage of the EU's mobility programmes, especially the opportunities offered by the University of Szeged, and get to know the world and the world of science in it! The development of science is fuelled by cooperation and thinking together.



Csaba Szepesvári, PhD

Mathematician, Researcher of Computer Science

He is a member of CIFAR AI in Canada, head of DeepMind's "Foundations" team, and **Professor of Computer Science** at the **University of Alberta**. He obtained a Master's Degree in Mathematics and Computer Science in 1993 and a Ph.D. degree in 1999 at the Faculty of Science and Informatics of SZTE. In addition to regularly publishing in top-level journals and presenting at conferences, he is also the (co)author of several books. He currently serves as Operations Editor of the Journal of Machine Learning Research and Associate Editor of Mathematics of Operations Research. **His main research area is artificial intelligence and its machine learning-based approaches.**

FACULTY OF LAW & POLITICAL SCIENCES



Tamás Molnár Dr.

President of FINA

(International Swimming Association)

Tamás Molnár is one of the icons of Hungarian water polo. A three-time Olympic champion says success comes at a price. The former student of the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences has travelled the world. Yet he can't and won't forget the pool, the water, the love of the audience, neither his smallest nor his biggest success. The knowledge he gained at the Faculty of Law in Szeged helped him to understand and accept that in most areas of life we are forced to adapt to change and to think and act in different systems. These are usually tied to rules, as in the case of water polo: there are no results without following the rules.

ALUMNI WE ARE PROUD OF



READ MORE ABOUT ALUMNI AT
SZTE ALMA MATER WEBSITE:
www.uniszegedalumni.com/



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Services

**Build your network &
stay in touch!**

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much more! Join us!
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**Life management
issues? We can help you!
Student Counselling**

➤ www.eletv.u-szeged.hu/for-foreign-students



Assisting Students in Szeged

Mentoring Centre

The Mentoring Centre for International Students has been established at the University of Szeged to help the students in their everyday lives. It is located in the University Main building at Dugonics square. It's open every day, and mentors of ESN Szeged are guiding enrolled students about their academic and everyday life in Szeged. The coordinators of the Directorate for International Relations and Public Affairs are also available for enquires.



Erasmus Student Network

ESN Mentors, as members of a non-governmental, volunteer-based student organisation in Europe, are volunteers who help foreign scholarship students settling down in Szeged. In cooperation with the University, they help newly arrived students starting their academic and social life at SZTE and Szeged. ESN and their events bring international students closer to the local community, and last but not least, they make friends with them, all in order to provide opportunities for cultural understanding and self-development under the principle of students helping students and to build a more peaceful and unified Europe of tomorrow.



Spring Student Apartments

SPRING is located close to the university campus, yet in a quiet residential area and provides most modern living conditions and a safe environment for your stay in Szeged. Public transport is available within a short walking distance. Its international community, its welcoming atmosphere and facilities (such as a fitness and community rooms) make it the second home of our international students.

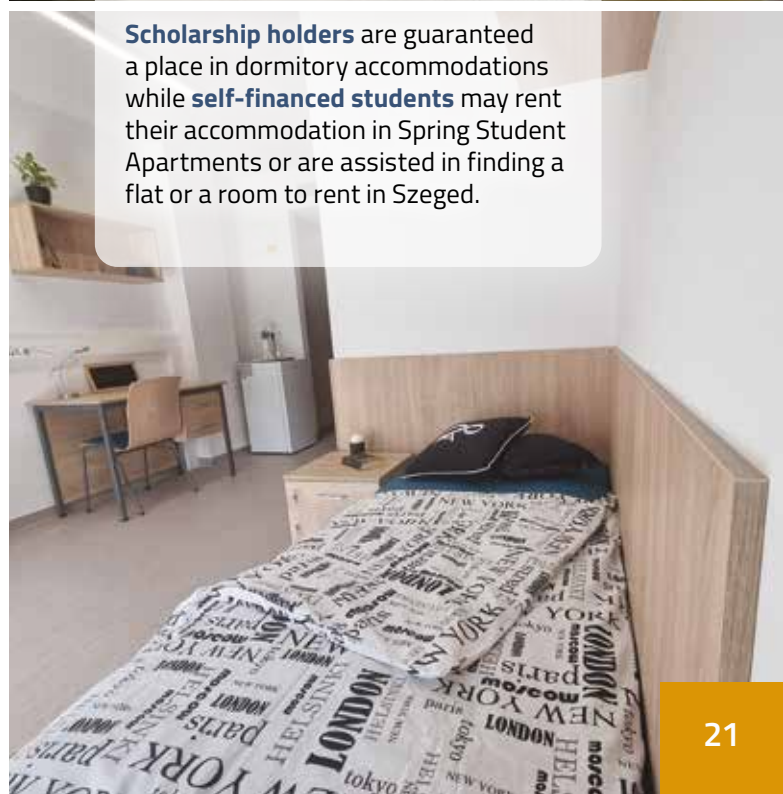
Prices range from 300 EUR to 700 EUR depending on the type accommodation (Utilities and Air Conditioning are included).

For more information visit <https://u-szeged.hu/spring>.



Accommodation

Scholarship holders are guaranteed a place in dormitory accommodations while **self-financed students** may rent their accommodation in Spring Student Apartments or are assisted in finding a flat or a room to rent in Szeged.





Barakat Ibidamola Ibikunle

From Nigeria – General Medicine MD

One thing I always look for in a university is where its located – a small, beautiful student friendly city, with everything close by and this was the case with Szeged which made it an ideal fit for me. The admissions process was also marked by warmth from the staff. As a student of the SZTE I got the chance to meet people from different countries and cultures through the Universities international programs like Erasmus, IFMSA, IISMA and various festivals. We also have the option to learn additional languages, which I've enjoyed. SZTE has given me a solid foundation and a well-structured path to being the best physician I can be. I've been able to work with some excellent professors who are very happy to help in various manners – research, additional clinical or surgical exposure, especially once you show an interest. The important life lessons of time management, resilience and above all, re-strategizing & picking yourself up when things don't go as planned have been emphasized throughout my medical school journey. It's a journey filled with growth and memories.

Sam Siekleng

From Cambodia - International relations MA

Studying abroad was one of the biggest goals that I've ever made. I decided to choose the University of Szeged as my study destination because SZTE was a prestigious institution that offered a perfect blend of academic excellence with the diversity of cultures of international students and also provided a lot of research opportunities for students. Unexpectedly, what SZTE gave me; wasn't only the education but gave me the best experiences and memories of my lifetime. I engaged in many social extracurricular activities at university. I also got the chance to participate in various EUGLOH training and exchange programs in France, Portugal, Spain, and Sweden. As a girl from a small city, it was really life-changing; which taught me to be independent, eye-opening, leadership, being out of my comfort zone, and significant skills for my career.



Osaid Haider

From Pakistan - Business Administration and Management BSc

Alongside quality education, great set of offered courses & unwavering support of the faculty members and professors, University of Szeged also gives me a great community and beautiful friendships as Szeged is a beautiful university city with faculties of the university spread around the city. As Szeged is home for many international and Hungarian students, the city makes one of the largest student communities around Europe. University of Szeged has been doing a great job at accommodating the needs of all its students and arranging great international events & workshops for the university students throughout the year making sure that the students here find great comfort and peace.

Marwa Ashrifa

From Syria - Educational Science MA

When I began searching for the destination to complete my master's degree, and was contemplating Hungary, I consulted the QS rankings. I discovered that the University of Szeged is the top university in Hungary. Studying here in Szeged has been one of the most significant experiences of my life. Here, you can access a high-quality education system that provides everything you need for your future career. Regarding my personal journey, I am currently in the planning phase of applying for a Ph.D. program, with the aspiration of advancing my career in the field of educational development. My ultimate goal is to support students living in conflict or crisis-prone areas, ensuring they have access to quality education.





Student Life

Szeged City of Festivals

The festival season of Szeged, starts at the second weekend of March with the **Pork and Pálinka Festival** and ends with **Christmas Festive Weeks**, when Szeged takes on its festive lights. We highlighted some of the city events SZTE students like the most.



Szeged Wine Festival

The Szeged Wine Festival is one of the biggest wine festivals in Hungary, held every year in mid-May. It is the most popular event in the city. Around 160 winemakers come from all over the country to promote the best of their products. Besides, there are several concerts, cultural events and family programmes to entertain the visitors.

Szeged Open-Air Festival

The Szeged Open-Air Festival is Hungary's largest open-air theatre (4,000 seats) and one of the **most entertaining summer theatre festivals in Central Europe**. The festival is held annually over two summer months and offers a unique variety of genres even among European theatre festivals. Participants can choose from opera, operetta, musical, prose and symphonic music. The main venue of the festival is the emblematic square of the city, the Dóm Square.



ICE

The **International Cultural Evening (ICE for short)** is a nationality festival for the students of the University of Szeged. The main focus of the event is to highlight the diversity of the international student community at SZTE. During the event international students perform national music and dance in a cultural show. In addition, visitors can taste a variety of traditional food prepared by students in advance.



SZIN

The Szeged Youth Days (SZIN for short) is the oldest music festival in Hungary and one of the most exciting events in Szeged. The summer festival has been held in Szeged every August since 1968 and it attracts more and more visitors every year. Festival-goers can enjoy the performances of professional artists, including international superstars, on several stages.

SZTE Autumn Cultural Festival with Light Painting

The SZTE Cultural Office organises the university's cultural life, coordinates the work of artists and art groups, cultivates cultural relations within the university and between the university and the city and organises cultural events. One of its most prominent events is the Autumn Cultural Festival, which usually starts with the fascinating Light Painting.



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Bank card payment
option at public
transport vehicles



Several utility and other
services available online



Free Wi-Fi at public
transport vehicles

HOW MUCH DOES UNIVERSITY LIFE COST?

PRICES IN SZEGED

TRANSPORT



Public transport monthly pass for students

15 Euro



Second-hand bicycle

120 Euro

ACCOMMODATION | LETTINGS



1 bedroom, large rented apartment

400 Euro/month

(bills not included)



Rented room

200 Euro/month

(bills not included)



Student dormitory

100 Euro/month

FOOD & DRINK



espresso

1.5 Euro



1 kg bread

2.5 Euro



latte

2 Euro



1 l milk (2.8%)

1 Euro



1 pint of beer

1.5 Euro



1,5 l mineral water (sparkling)

0.5 Euro



0,75 dl wine

5 Euro

Faculties of the University of Szeged

ALBERT SZENT-GYÖRGYI MEDICAL SCHOOL

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www.mk.u-szeged.hu/english

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www.mgk.u-szeged.hu/english

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www.etszk.u-szeged.hu/english

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