

Subject: Letter of Award
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LETTER OF AWARD

This letter is to certify that

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Date of birth: 2001-04-21
Citizenship: Mexico
Stipendium Hungaricum ID number: 2024_899513
Host institution: University of Debrecen
Study programme: Biology
Study level: Bachelor
Language of studies: English
Start date of scholarship status: 2024.02.01
Estimated end date of status: 2025.06.30 (1 semesters)

– based on the decision of Tempus Public Foundation made in 2024 in accordance with the educational cooperation agreement in effect between Hungary and Mexico –

HAS BEEN AWARDED A STIPENDIUM HUNGARICUM SCHOLARSHIP

for partial/exchange studies. The scholarship has been awarded according to the details listed above.

Allowances provided for the Scholarship Holder by the Hungarian Side in case of active student status:

- Tuition-free education
 - exemption from the payment of tuition fee
- Health care services, medical insurance
 - health care services according to the relevant Hungarian legislation (Subpoint id) Point i) Paragraph (1) Section 22 of Act CXXII of 2019 on Entitlements to Social Security Benefits and on Funding These Services) and supplementary medical insurance for up to HUF 65,000 a year/ person
- Monthly stipend
 - HUF / 43 700 monthly stipend for a full calendar year / the duration of the partial studies to be transferred to the scholarship holder by the higher education institution
- Accommodation contribution
 - dormitory place or an additional monthly contribution of HUF 40 000 to accommodation costs for a full calendar year / the duration of the partial studies
- Entitlement to Student Identification Card

The above-mentioned allowances are provided only when the Scholarship Holder has an active student status, with the exception of the health care services. While having a passive student status the scholarship holder is entitled to enjoy health care services according to Subpoint id) Point i) Paragraph (1) Section 22 of Act CXXII of 2019 on Entitlements to Social Security Benefits and on Funding These Services, if he/she stays in Hungary. Pursuant to the Stipendium Hungaricum Operational Regulations the scholarship holder is required to stay habitually in Hungary during the training period.

Obligations of Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holders:

Hungarian as a foreign language and culture course:

By accepting the scholarship, the Scholarship Holder (participating in bachelor, master, one-tier master full-time study programme or foundation semester/year) agrees to take part in the Hungarian as a foreign language and culture course in the first academic year of his/her studies and he/she is obligated to pass the exam after the two-semester-long course. If the Scholarship Holder does not fulfil this obligation his/her scholarship will be reduced from the second academic year until the end of his/her scholarship period as follows:

- if he/she does not attend the course the scholarship is 0 HUF/month,
- if he/she attends the course but does not pass the exam the scholarship is 30.000 HUF/month.

Minimum credit requirement:

The Scholarship Holder is required to fulfil the study and examination requirements by earning at least eighteen credits (i.e. a total of 36 credits) on the average of the last two semesters in which the student status is active. The obligation to fulfil the minimum credit requirement also applies to those students who change their study programme or institution. The minimum credit requirement does not apply to Scholarship Holders studying in doctoral schools and Hungarian preparatory courses and it only applies to those commencing their tertiary education studies in or after the 2018/2019 academic year. In case the institution prescribes stricter credit minimum rules in its own competence, then the institutional regulation shall prevail.

The scholarship status is automatically terminated if the Scholarship Holder does not complete the minimum amount of credits described in the Operational Regulations, thus the students are requested to register for an appropriate number of courses.

The Scholarship Holder must comply with their **reporting obligations** to Tempus Public Foundation.

Compulsory medical examination:

The scholarship holder is obligated to undergo the compulsory medical examination prescribed by the minister responsible for foreign affairs in the Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship programme.

If the scholarship holder is deemed unfit to continue his/her studies based on the medical examination result the scholarship holder status shall be suspended in the semester in which the medical unfitness was determined. The scholarship status is terminated if, after the repeated examination, the student is assessed to be medically unfit to continue and complete his/her studies.

Rules regarding the extension of scholarship status:

During the term of scholarship, the scholarship holder may apply for an extension by a total of two semesters in bachelor's, master's and one-tier master's full study programmes. Scholarship holders commencing their full degree studies in or after the 2020/2021 academic year are not entitled to receive a scholarship (stipend) and housing allowance during the extension period. Scholarships may not be renewed for doctoral, foundation, preparatory, postgraduate specialist training courses and partial courses, furthermore for short intensive courses.

Bachelor's and master's programmes can be extended by two semesters altogether, either one semester each, or two semesters at one of the training levels. One-tier master's programmes can be extended by two semesters.

Scope and validity of the scholarship:

In accordance with the point c), paragraph 5. § (1) of the BM Decree 10/2024. (II. 29.), the Scholarship Holder is entitled to be exempt from the payment of any fees related to his/her admission to Hungary. This document is to be presented to the immigration authorities responsible for issuing visas and residence permits.

This document is a Letter of Award, therefore it is to be issued only at the beginning of scholarship status and in case of change in data. Prior to enrolment, it is valid together with the Letter of Acceptance issued by the Hungarian host institution. Following enrolment, it is valid together with a Certificate of Student Status stating the active student status of the scholarship holder, the latter issued by the host institution. All subsequent changes in the scholarship status (e.g. change of host institution) are indicated in the Letter of Award.

All Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Holders are bound by the **Operational Regulations** of the programme (that is available on the website of the programme (stipendiumhungaricum.hu/)) and the **Scholarship Agreement** and they are requested to read it carefully and participate in the programme adhering to the rules described therein. According to the regulations, the scholarship status is automatically terminated if the Scholarship Holder does not arrive and enrol until the registration date specified by the Host Institution (except in the cases described in the Operational Regulations). All Scholarship Holders are required to sign a scholarship contract with the Host Institution. The actual starting day of the scholarship period is the day when the scholarship contract is signed and comes into force.



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