Welcome to Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE)

Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Education

Welcome to Budapest
Dear Student,

It is our pleasure to welcome you among our International Students who have chosen to study in Budapest, at ELTE Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Education.

We are Ms. Ildikó Romanoczki, the faculty’s Erasmus coordinator and Ms. Zsófia Nemes, the faculty’s CEEPUS and Makovecz coordinator.

On the following pages you will find lot of informations, websites, recommendations which might help organize your stay a bit easier. We hope you will find it useful.

Without further ado, we are looking forward to welcome you soon.

Kind regards,

Ildikó and Zsófi
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# Academic Calendar

## 2019/2020

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## Public holidays of Hungary

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<td>State Foundation Date</td>
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<td>National Day (Memorial of the 1956 revolution)</td>
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## Remembrance days of Hungary

Remembrance days are working days in Hungary.

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<td>25 February</td>
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<td>16 April</td>
<td>Memorial day for the victims of the Holocaust</td>
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<td>21 May</td>
<td>National Defense Day</td>
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<td>4 June</td>
<td>Day of National Unity</td>
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<td>19 June</td>
<td>Day of the Independent Hungary</td>
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<td>6 October</td>
<td>Memorial day for the Martyrs of Arad</td>
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Housing

Students Residence Halls

If you wish to stay in one of our halls of residences, you have to chose between the ones on the top link and make a registration on the one below:

- [https://www.elte.hu/en/housing/registration](https://www.elte.hu/en/housing/registration)

You can also inquire on the following email address: [dormitory@elite.hu](mailto:dormitory@elite.hu)

- **Deadline of dormitory application for autumn semester: 1 August**
  The Dormitory Coordinator will send an e-mail to all registered students about the result of the dormitory application **until 8 August**.

- **Deadline of dormitory application for spring semester: 15 January**
  The Dormitory Coordinator will send an e-mail to all registered students about the result of the dormitory application **until 27 January**.

Apartments

Pro-Ingatlan

Pro-Ingatlan Kft. is a qualified Real Estate partner of the University, who are happy to find the best solution for all the students searching for a nice place to spend the next semester in Budapest.

You can also contact them directly: [info@r4s.hu](mailto:info@r4s.hu), check their website at [http://r4s.hu/properties/](http://r4s.hu/properties/) or call their mobile phone: +36203729109.
Other opportunities

You can find the following listings of apartments for rent on our web: [http://apartmentrent.lpo.hu/en](http://apartmentrent.lpo.hu/en)

- 1, 2, 3, 4 bedroom apartments in the city centre are easy to access by walk or public transport
- Apartments for long-term rent (available for at least 1 year of rental period; no rooms are available, only whole flats)
- Student apartments: fully equipped, separate rooms, fixed utility costs, active internet
- Unfurnished apartments

You can choose an apartment from our web page by clicking on ‘I’d like to see this property’. Then you can contact us by sending an e-mail at rent@lpo.hu or by phone +36703845301. When contacting us refer to our web page (apartmentrent.lpo.hu) Then a consultant will arrange an appointment to visit the property.

Services we offer:

- A consultant taking personal care of your request and supporting you during the entire period of the reservation process (including showing an apartment, communicating, managing the lease agreement, supporting to move in)
- We answer your application within 24 hours on business days
The Learning Agreement should be sent until:

- Autumn Semester: 15 July
- Spring Semester: 17 January

At the Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Education we offer bachelor courses in primary, pre-school and early childhood education (the last two might be the same for some of you).

Courses in English:

https://www.tok.elte.hu/en/content/erasmus-programme.t.5017?m=101

Please note! Every PDF file contains more than one course.

Our offered courses tend to stay the same each year, but there might be minor changes so please check them regularly.

Courses in Hungarian:

https://www.tok.elte.hu/alapkepzesek
**Student card and Neptun code**

**Student card** provides you the chance to get your public transport tickets or monthly passes way cheaper, as well as less entrance fee to museums, etc.

Everything Hungarian students are entitled to, you’ll receive too.

**Neptun code** – Neptun is the university’s electronic education management system, where students can register to courses and exams, they get marks and credits. To use this system, you have to own a Neptun code and it’s password.

- You can get your card and Neptun code at the university’s Quaestura Office
- Colleagues at the Orientation week organize guided tour to the Quaestura Office so you could get both easily

**You’ll receive both of these after your arrival to the University.**

If, for some reason you won’t be able to take part in the Orientation week, you can see a little guide below on how to get to the Quaestura Office. Please note, that the Office gives these two documents only to students, therefore we won’t be able to give these to you at the time of our first meeting.
Quaestura Office

Address: 1053. Budapest, Egyetem tér 5.
Opening time:

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You can also see a map below of the location of the Quaestura Office.
Students have the opportunity to take part in language courses organized by the University. There are English and Hungarian courses with the following information:

- **English**
  
  Website: [https://www.elte.hu/en/english-language-course](https://www.elte.hu/en/english-language-course)
  
  - How to apply? - Fill in and sign the registration form and email it to the course coordinator Mr László KÉCSKEFALVI (oktatas@onyx.hu). The registration form is on the website above.
  
  - Course fee: HUF 43,200 (HUF 900 (~ EUR 2.8)/lesson/person – in a group of minimum 8 students)

- **Hungarian**
  
  Website: [https://www.elte.hu/en/content/hungarian-language-courses.t.98?m=56](https://www.elte.hu/en/content/hungarian-language-courses.t.98?m=56)
  
  - How to apply? – Please write to the program coordinator at hungarian_course@elte.hu and you will receive information of what you’ll have to do next.
  
  - Course fee: You won’t have to pay for this one.
  
  - You can receive credits for this course
Every faculty has its mentor (buddy) system. They are responsible to make students life at the faculty easier as possible.

You can contact them with the following problems:

- teacher problems
- Neptun problems
- assistance to accommodation
- exams
- etc.

Mentors organize different programs for students all around the city and the country. They have a Facebook group in which you can join.

The head of the mentor system at the moment is Anna GÁL and her email address is: kulugy@tokhok.elte.hu

The mentors have a main organization, called ESN. They also organize different programmes, help students to find accommodation, etc. They are always at the Orientation Week as well. Please visit their website for more information: http://elte.esn.hu/
Useful informations

In case of emergency


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Cost of living in Budapest

https://www.elte.hu/en/living/costs

About Hungary

https://www.elte.hu/en/about-hungary

About Budapest

https://www.elte.hu/en/living/about-budapest

Sport

https://www.elte.hu/en/beac
Public Transport

Airport

Hungary’s main airport is ‘Liszt Ferenc International Airport’.

Please see its website here: www.bud.hu/english

- **Call Center**: 0036 (1) 296-7000
- **Flight Information**: Phone: 0036 (90) 181 818 (premium rate phone number)

You have a few different options to leave the airport:

- **by public transport:**
  [http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_public_transportation](http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_public_transportation)

  ➢ From 4:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., **bus number 200E** commutes between the Airport Terminal 2 and the “Kőbánya-Kispest” metro terminal (end of metro line M3), via the Ferihegy train station (trains to the Nyugati railway station in Budapest).

  ➢ From the “Kőbánya-Kispest” metro terminal, passengers can take the M3 metro towards “Újpest Központ” to reach the city center. It is possible to change to metro lines M1 and M2 at the “Deák Ferenc tér” stop in the inner city.

  ➢ From 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. bus 200E, from 1:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. **night bus number 900** operates between Budapest Airport Terminal 2 and the South Pest bus garage. It is possible to change to night buses 950 and 950A, operating to the inner city.

- **by train:** [http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_train](http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_train)
- **by taxi:** [http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_taxi](http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_taxi)
- **by minibus:** [http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_airportshuttle](http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_airportshuttle)
Public transport of Budapest

The company who is responsible for the public transportation in Budapest called ‘Budapesti Közlekedési Központ’, in short ‘BKK’.

Their main website is: http://www.bkk.hu/en/main-page/news/

You can find general informations, ticket informations, timetables, maps, etc. on the website, but please see some useful links here as well:

- timetables: http://www.bkk.hu/en/timetables/
- ticket vending machines: http://bkk.hu/automata/

Buses

Budapest has more than 200 bus routes covering most inner city and suburban areas. Some routes offer an express service, indicated with an “E” following the bus number. On the main routes, services are available even during the night hours.

Night buses

Budapest’s night transport is one of the best in Europe. You will find that you can get anywhere in the city by the night buses – sometimes even faster than in the daytime. Night buses usually start at midnight and run until 4:00 am every night. Night buses’ numbers start with number 9.

Note: Some night buses on very busy lines run quite often (every 10th or 15th minute), but lines running to the suburbs run only once or twice an hour.
Currently, there are four metro lines in Budapest:

- **M1 or the Yellow Line**: between Vörösmarty tér and Mexikói út
- **M2 or the Red Line**: between Déli pályaudvar and Örs vezér tere
- **M3 or the Blue Line**: between Újpest Központ and Kőbánya-Kispest
- **M4 or the Green Line**: between Kelenföld and Keleti pályaudvar

The Yellow Line is the oldest metro line in Hungary and also in Mainland Europe. It was opened in 1896 for the Hungarian Millennium. The newest line is M4 (Green Line) that was opened in 2014. Metro services run from 4:30 until 23:30.

### Suburban trains (HÉV)

The suburban train service of Budapest called HÉV connects Budapest with its suburban areas. A popular journey for tourists is from Batthyány tér to Szentendre.

Keep in mind that if you leave the administration border of Budapest, you need to purchase a special ticket to your destination.
Boat

Budapest has three public boat lines:

- D-11: Kopaszi-gát (Rákóczi híd)-Újpest, Árpád út
- D-12 and D-13: Kopaszi-gát (Rákóczi-híd) – Rómaifürdő

One single ticket for public transport boat is HUF 750 or you can travel with your monthly Budapest pass free of charge.

Cycling in Budapest

The MOL Bubi bike-sharing scheme is a bicycle-sharing network in Budapest. The apple-green bikes can be hired from and returned to any docking station found at major transport hubs in the city centre. So far 1,150 bikes can be hired from 98 docking stations in the centre of Budapest.

For more information check the official website of the MOL Bubi public bike-sharing system:

https://molbubi.bkk.hu/hasznalat.php
We are looking forward to meet you soon! 😊

Picture: Dr. Gabriella Pataky