CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The International Centre¹ of the University of Pécs is looking for International Student Ambassadors for the academic year 2025/2026

Who is a student ambassador?

International Student Ambassadors (ISAs) are current students who act as a link between the university and the outside community. They use their experiences to give people interested in university life an idea of what it is like to be a student. They assist at various events; their role is to provide a fair and accurate representation of the university from a student perspective. The University of Pécs' International Student Ambassadors are volunteers

Here are some of the top benefits of becoming an International Student Ambassador:

- 1. **Looks great on your CV/resume:** You will gain valuable work experience, and you can improve your skills such as communication, public speaking, teamwork, and working with different age groups.
- 2. **Networking:** You will meet students from all over the world and will be working closely with university staff and your fellow ISAs. It could stand you in good stead when needing recommendation letters or contacts for a potential position.
- 3. **Training:** We will provide training sessions to help develop or enhance your intercultural, networking, project planning, and professional skills.
- 4. **Certificate:** You can be an ambassador for one or more terms. At the end of each term, you receive a certificate that you have been an ISA.
- 5. It's fun! You will meet new friends, try new activities, and help others along the way.

Participation in the International Student Ambassador (ISA) Program is on a voluntary basis and is not remunerated. However, Ambassadors may have the opportunity to engage in additional tasks that are eligible for compensation. Furthermore, outstanding performance and active involvement may be recognized through various forms of reward and acknowledgment.

¹ The ISA program is managed and coordinated by the <u>International Marketing Office</u>, which belongs to the International Centre.

Who can apply?

Any full-time (non-exchange) international student with an active student status at the University of Pécs can apply if they have completed at least 18 credits in their last active semester recorded in the Neptun study system.

Essential characteristics and skills

- Responsible, reliable person, good timekeeper.
- Diplomatic, confident, friendly, approachable, and enthusiastic.
- Interact well and enjoy working with a wide range of people, including students, teachers, parents, and career advisers.
- Comfortable discussing all aspects of student life with members of the public clearly and confidently.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Good problem-solving skills and ability to work on own initiative.
- Sensitivity and consideration of people's feelings and the ability to empathize with others regardless of race, culture, or religion.
- Good organizational skills.
- Knowledge of the various processes involved in becoming an international student in Pécs.
- Very good command of spoken and written English.

Desirable skills and experiences

- Previous experience working as part of a team, whether through paid work, volunteering, sports, societies, or similar.
- Customer service skills.
- General knowledge of the University of Pécs and involvement in student life and student organizations, for example, ESN, EGSC, AEGEE, AIESEC.

The International Student Ambassadors are all selected based on their skills, enthusiasm, and commitment to assisting international students and promoting the University of Pécs.

What are your duties as an ISA?

International Student Ambassadors represent the student life of the University of Pécs at various events. They should have a good understanding of its departments/institutes and courses (including those outside their subject area) or be willing to learn about the university's facilities and services. International Student Ambassadors are expected to be involved in various Student Recruitment and International Marketing activities.

The tasks expected of the volunteer ISAs:

- Participation in regular meetings organized and announced by the International Marketing Office (IMO).²
- Replying to all inquiries via Unibuddy within a maximum of 48 hours.

² The IMO plans to schedule 4 team meetings for the entire program and further project meetings if necessary.

- At least one Instagram or TikTok takeover during the entire program on the Study in Pécs, Hungary's social media channels.
- Creation of at least one blog post during the entire program.³
- Participation in a testimonial or promotional video recordings
- Participation in closed or live webinar sessions for prospective students, student recruitment agencies, or other stakeholders

Your hours will be flexible in nature and will be allocated on a mutually acceptable basis.

How to apply?

Please complete the online application form to apply for the ISA team: https://forms.office.com/e/urC4VG2By5

Application deadline: 23:59 26 May 2025

Three-round selection procedure:

1st round

Applicants shall submit the online application form by the 26th of March 2025. In the first round, the UP's International Centre will assess the applications. UP's International Centre will inform all the applicants by e-mail about the result by 2nd of June 2025, 4 PM.

2nd round

Those who were selected in the first round shall complete the **International Student Ambassador Online Training** (hereinafter ISA Training) by the 1st of August. In the second round of assessment, the completion of the training will be evaluated by the UP's International Centre. UP's International Centre will inform all the applicants by e-mail about the result by 15th of August 2025, 4 PM.

3rd round

To be selected as an ISA, the applicant shall participate in an evaluation workshop (two sessions will be held to avoid conflicts with the applicant's schedule). In the third round of assessment, the completion of the workshop will be evaluated by the UP's International Centre. UP's International Centre will inform all the applicants by e-mail about the result by 29th of September 2025, 4 PM.

Term of the program

1 October 2025 – 30 September 2026

Further information

If you have any questions about the application process or require more details about the role, please get in touch with the International Marketing Office.

³ The IMO has the right to determine the blog post's topic.

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