

Call for Applications for Students in PhD Programme

The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of the University of Pécs calls for applications for participating in the Erasmus+ Short-term doctoral mobility in the Academic Year 2023/2024 Spring Semester

The aim of the call for applications:

is to enable research, educational, linguistic and cultural experiences in a higher education institution in another country. Mobility should facilitate the student's academic/research career and personal development. Erasmus+ students who are successful in their application will have the opportunity to take part in a mobility programme to one of our partner universities in the European Union. The aim of mobility is to research and to support the preparation of a dissertation. Mobility can only take place if the mobility abroad is accepted by the sending institution.

Students studying abroad under the Erasmus+ programme:

- spend 5-30 days abroad;
- enrol at home, establish active student status, pay any tuition fees at the home university and receive their regular scholarship for the duration of their stay abroad;
- by being mobile abroad, they replace part of their study obligations at home (the sending and host parties agree, before the student leaves, on the student's research work will be carried out at the receiving university);
- PhD students can also carry out research at the partner university as part of their training plan;
- conference attendance is not eligible.

Duration of mobility abroad: min. 5 days - max. 30 days

The mobility must take place between: 01.03.2024- 19.07.2024

Currency of the mobility: HUF

Application deadline: you can apply **continuously, 1-1.5 months before departure**, on the mobility online interface. The faculty coordinator provides more information about the application. (lastly: 14.06.2024)

The following countries are participating:

The Member States of the European Union (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, the Netherlands, Croatia, Ireland, Greece, the Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden).

Non-EU Member States also participating in the programme: United Kingdom, Macedonia Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Turkey.

Who can apply?

General conditions for participation:

- the student is a Hungarian citizen or a PhD student of another nationality; the student is a Hungarian citizen or a student of another nationality participating in a PhD program of the institute
- departure is possible after the first completed semester of postgraduate studies at the earliest
- be an active student at UPMS/FP in the semester in which the mobility takes place; the PhD degree cannot be obtained before the end of the mobility period
- meet the application requirements announced by the faculties.

Documents to be submitted by the applicants:

1. Motivation Letter (approximately 1500 characters)
2. Professional CV
3. Supervisor’s recommendation
4. Language certificate
5. Transcript of records
6. Documents certifying activities in public life and/or research
7. Official invitation letter from the institution
8. Copy of diploma
9. List of publications

According to Erasmus+ rules, each student can be granted Erasmus status for a maximum of 12 months per level (total of part-time studies and traineeship), so if the applicant has previously participated in an Erasmus part-time study and/or traineeship at their current level - even if they were an unsubsidised (LABEL) student - but did not use the 12-month Erasmus period, they can reapply. Doctoral students who have already been Erasmus students in the previous stage(s) of their training may also apply.

Grants for the academic year 2023/2024

The amount of the grant depends on the length of the period of traineeship (number of days) and on the host country. The following amounts of the grant **may presumably be awarded for the academic year 2023/2024**

Duration of physical activity	Amount of scholarship grant
Up to the 14th day of the activity	28.000 HUF/DAY
Up to the 30th day of the activity	20.000 HUF/DAY

One travel day before the activity and one travel day after the activity can be covered under the individual support.

In the case of students with fewer opportunities, they are entitled to additional support in the amount of 40,000 HUF in addition to their individual support under the EU Erasmus+ program. Equal opportunity support is provided on the basis of a separate application.

Travel support:

Students who choose environmentally friendly/environmentally conscious travel - bus, train

or shared car use (with fellow students, not with family/friends) - will receive an one-time contribution of HUF 20,000 as a supplement to the individual support, and if applicable, they will receive a maximum of 2 days of additional individual support to cover travel days related to a return trip.

We draw the attention of the applying students that the scholarship does not cover all the costs incurred during the stay abroad, it must be supplemented from other sources.

Method and deadline for submitting the application:

Application surface: Mobility Online <https://international.pte.hu/mobility-programs/erasmus/online-application>

If you have questions, please contact the Faculty Coordinator: Ms. Panka Hitre (btk-erasmus@pte.hu).

Applications which are incomplete, do not satisfy the conditions, are illegible or submitted after the expiry of the deadline cannot be accepted.

Evaluation of applications submitted:

Applications submitted are evaluated by a professional board, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Faculty formed by the Faculty. The evaluation criteria are stipulated in the order of business of the committee evaluating the applications.

EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED:

Applications submitted are evaluated by the Committee on Foreign Affairs formed by the Faculty.

Students who have not participated in the Erasmus Programme before are given priority at the evaluation. Students who are not awarded a grant but are recommended by the institute/department responsible for the cooperation can participate even in the lack of a grant as self-funded students, so called "label students", provided they can cover the costs of their travel and stay abroad from other sources.

POINT SYSTEM:

Each application may be awarded a maximum of 100 points.

1. Academic performance: maximum 30 points

The graded point average of the two semesters preceding the submission of the application. (If the student has completed only one semester at the time of submitting the application, he/she

can certify the completion of the second semester by handing in his/her registry sheet before departure.)

Evaluation by points on the basis of students' averages:

Corrected credit index		
5.00 -	4.50	30 points
4.49 -	4.00	20 points
3.99 -	3.50	10 points

Students must achieve an average of at least 3.5 to apply for the scholarship.

If the student does not achieve this average, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Faculty can decide by voting whether to accept the application (maximum 5 points may be awarded for such academic performance) provided it is recommended by the relevant department.

2. Language exam: maximum 30 points

Knowledge of the receiving country is compulsory.

If the student has only a level B2 type C (complex) language exam certificate and is not a student on a foreign language training programme or of a foreign language department, he/she must attend a further language interview. (The language assessment is carried out by lecturers teaching in the given language.)

State accredited advanced level type C language exam – 25 points

State accredited intermediate level type C language exam – 20 points

Language exam in a second language (minimum B2 type C) – 5 points

3. Scientific activity: maximum 30 points

Republican Scholarship: 8 points

OTDK/ TDK place, prize: 6 points

Student Research Society/College for Advanced Studies: 4 points

Scientific publications: 4 points (altogether)

Paper at a scientific conference: 4 points

Participation in academic competitions: 4 points

4. Active participation in public and student life: maximum 10 points

Working for the university, local or national press: 3 points

Active participation in the work of the Student Union (HÖK): 3 points

Member of Students' Welfare Committee/Credit Transfer Committee: 2 points (altogether)

Mentoring a foreign student as an Erasmus „Buddy”:

2 points

(The Committee on Foreign Affairs may award extra points to the student for scientific, public and student life activities.)

Good luck with your application!



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