



VISA

CITIZENS OF THE EU/ EEA MEMBER STATES

Citizens of EU/EEA (EEA: member states of the EU and Norway, Switzerland, Iceland, and Lichtenstein) may travel to Hungary without a long-term study visa. However they need to obtain a registration card for the duration of the studies in Hungary.

CITIZENS OF COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE EEA

If a student is from the non-European Economic Area (non-EEA), he/she needs to apply for a long-term "D" type visa for study purposes at the Hungarian Consulate of his/her country of residence. Please note that this type of visa is a special national single entry visa that enables its holder to apply for a residence permit for study purposes after enrolling in a university in Hungary. This visa, contrary to the Schengen (tourist) visa, can only be obtained from the Hungarian consulates listed [here](#).

If the student requires a visa, please ask for a visa appointment as soon as possible (right after the student is notified about your acceptance), because in some cases the process can take up to three months, or even longer for visa applications with missing information.

The following documents are needed for the application for residence permit:

1. a wholly and legibly completed, signed "residence permit" [application form](#).
2. valid passport (the validity of which has to exceed that of the requested visa by at least 3 months)
3. one passport size photos (not older than 3 months)
4. confirmation of Acceptance from the University of Pécs (Letter of Admission)
5. visa fee: ~60 EUR
6. declaring a real, exact address in Hungary (the document certifying accommodation in a student hostel or the tenancy contract)
7. documents certifying subsistence in Hungary (bank account statement; or the declaration of the parents that they assume coverage of all costs of the stay in Hungary; or the document certifying the scholarship)
8. attestation of the school that the applicant is exempt from the payment of school fees or that he/she has already paid the tuition fees.
9. travel insurance (A travel insurance is required to cover medical expenses, trip cancellation, lost luggage, flight accidents and other losses incurred while traveling; it can usually be arranged at the time of the booking of a trip and should be valid until the beginning of the study program) or equal financial means

After you arrive in Pécs, you can arrange your registration card (EEA) or residence permit (non-EEA) at the Immigration and Asylum Office (in Hungarian: Bevándorlási és Menekültügyi Hivatal, abbreviated as BMH).

Address of the **Immigration and Asylum Office - Regional Directorate of Southern Transdanubia:**
H-7623 Pécs, Csend u. 3.

Opening Hours:

- Monday: 8.30-11.30 am and 2.00-5.30 pm
- Tuesday: 1.00-4.00 pm
- Wednesday: closed
- Thursday: 8.30-11.30 am and 1.00-4.00 pm
- Friday: 8.30-11.30 am



REGISTRATION CARD AND RESIDENCE PERMIT

A residence permit may be issued on grounds of pursuit of studies to third-country nationals accepted by an establishment of secondary or higher education accredited in the Republic of Hungary and admitted to the territory of the Republic of Hungary to pursue as his/her main activity a full-time course of study, or to attend a course in an establishment of higher education, which may cover a preparatory course prior to such education.

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS ABOUT APPLYING FOR REGISTRATION CARD OF STUDY REASON

For EU, EEA or Swiss citizens

1. You have to bring your valid passport or ID when you go to the Immigration Office.
2. You have to pay the issuance fee of a 1.000,- Ft at the Immigration Office by card or you have to certify that you paid in the fee on a postal cheque.
3. You have to totally fill out and take the "application form of registration card for study reason" with you when you go to the Immigration Office latest on 93. day after you entered Hungary.
4. You have to attach the acceptance letter (in the summer when you will be a first semester student) or active student status certification (when you have already started the school before) from the school with the correct form.
5. You have to certify an address in the local Immigration Office's competence:

- you are the owner: you may declare about this fact in the application form point 36.
- you are a tenant/subtenant: the valid rental contract or agreement about the flat (every owner must agree with the fact that you live in the flat – all of them must be in the contract or they have to agree with the contract in a declaration).
- The contract/agreement must be dated, signed by the lessors and tenants, contained the most important information (correct, official address – termination, rental fee, etc.).
- if you live in dormitory attach the correct dormitory certification that is signed and stamped by the house-manager

6. You have to certify

- valid health insurance in Hungary (European health insurance card is also acceptable) or
- you have to make a declaration about separated money amount for covering the costs of any health treatment in Hungary in the application form point 41., and certify the available savings.

7. You will be asked to make a declaration about your appropriate source for Hungarian stay in front of the colleagues of Immigration Office.

Documents have to be seen and sometimes taken in original so please have the original ones with you.

Applications, forms must be filled out totally and correctly according to the data of your passport or ID.



**INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS ABOUT APPLYING FOR RESIDENCE PERMIT OF STUDY
REASON**

For NON EU, EEA or Swiss citizens

<p><u>Issuing</u> residence permit for study reason (you are entitled to come to Hungary as a tourist without a visa for 30/60/90 days)</p>	<p><u>Extending</u> residence permit for study reason (you already have a residence permit)</p>
<p>1. You have to come to the Immigration Office with your passport <u>at the latest on the last legal day of your residence.</u></p> <p>The deadline is very important- even if you do not have every under mentioned document you have to be in time. You can start the procedure and we will make a list of missing documents.</p>	<p>1. You have to come to the Immigration Office with your passport <u>at the latest 30 days before the permit expires.</u></p> <p>The deadline is very important- even if you do not have every under mentioned document you have to be in time. You can start the procedure and we will make a list of missing documents.</p>
<p>2. You have to pay the issuance fee of 18.000,- Ft fee at the Immigration Office by card or you have to certify that you paid in the fee on a postal cheque.</p>	<p>2. You have to to pay the issuance fee of 10.000,- Ft fee stamp at the Immigration Office by card or you have to certify that you paid in the fee on a postal cheque.</p>
<p>3. one passport size photo</p>	<p>3. one passport size photo</p>
<p>4. You have to totally fill out and take the application of the residence permit for study reason with you when you go to the Immigration Office.</p>	<p>4. You have to totally fill out and take the application of the residence permit for study reason with you when you go to the Immigration Office.</p>
<p>5. You have to attach an <u>active student status certification</u> from the school with the correct form and you have to certify that you have the knowledge of language(s) allowing you to conduct your studies. (ask from the Registrar's Office of the Faculty)</p> <p>You have to certify that you have paid the tuition fee for the University .</p>	<p>5. You have to attach an <u>active student status certification</u> from the school with the correct form. (ask from the Registrar's Office of the Faculty)</p> <p>You have to certify that you have paid the tuition fee for the University.</p> <p>You have to certify that your studies progress fulfill the requirements of the University.</p>
<p>6. You have to certify appropriate sources for your stay in Hungary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ attach bank statement about the actual balance of your own ▪ if you have a scholarship attach the 	<p>6. You have to certify appropriate sources for your stay in Hungary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ attach bank statement about the actual balance of your own account <u>and statements back to 3</u>



<p>certification about the regular amount</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ or if you work certify your regular income/salary with a document (work contract, pay check, bank statement, etc.)	<p><u>months about account usage</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ if you have a scholarship attach a certification about the regular amount▪ or if you work certify your regular income/salary with a document (work contract, pay check, bank statement, etc.)
<p>7. You have to declare a real, exact address in Hungary, in the local Immigration Office's competence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• attach the <u>official accommodation paper</u> that is filled out, signed by the owner/s and you and contains the correct, official address – same as in the property page (you can have one in the immigration office)• if you live in dormitory: attach the <u>correct dormitory certification and the official accommodation paper</u> that is signed and stamped by the house-manager	<p>7. You have to declare a real, exact address in Hungary, in the local Immigration Office's competence:</p> <p><u>If you have not changed your address from the last permission and the attached rental contract is still valid you can declare this fact and that the circumstances are still the same.</u> If you still live in the same place but the contract is not valid anymore have a new valid contract.</p> <p><u>If you have changed your address</u> - you are the owner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• attach the <u>official accommodation paper</u> that is filled out, signed by the owner/s and you and contains the correct, official address – same as in the property page (you can have one in the immigration office)• if you live in dormitory: attach the <u>correct dormitory certification and the official accommodation paper</u> that is signed and stamped by the house-manager
<p>8. You have to certify <u>valid health insurance</u> in Hungary with the termination of your entire stay or you have to make a <u>statement/declaration about separated money amount</u> for covering the costs of any health treatment in Hungary</p>	<p>8. You have to certify <u>valid health insurance</u> in Hungary with the termination of your entire stay or you have to make a <u>statement/declaration about separated money amount</u> for covering the costs of any health treatment in Hungary</p>
<p>9. <u>If you have return/two-way flight ticket</u>, please show that in original because otherwise you have to certify the source for the travelling.</p>	<p>9. <u>If you have return/two-way flight ticket</u>, please show that in original because otherwise you have to certify the source for the travelling.</p>



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You must **be careful with the deadlines**. Even if you do not have every document it is possible to start the procedure because you will get a list about the missing documents. Please keep the receipts and missing lists and if later you take the missing documents with you please show these lists as well to our colleagues – this helps to follow how your case is going on.

Applications, **forms must be filled out totally and correctly** according to the data of your passport.

In case of having the 30 day – D type visa (that was issued in a Hungarian embassy and valid for taking the residence permit) please go to the Immigration Office with your passport, one photo (stamped by the embassy) and the official accommodation paper that is signed by the owner/s.

Don't forget to write your name on your mailbox in order to receive the official letters sent by any office to you.