



# **Call for Applications**

Students at Risk Subprogramme of the **Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme** 

for Ukrainian citizens

# 2023/2024



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#### IMPORTANT NOTE TO APPLICANTS

- 1. The Call for Applications of the Students at Risk Subprogramme is subject to change during the application period. We suggest that all applicants follow our website.
- 2. This Call for Applications is for Ukrainian nationals only. Those holding Hungarian-Ukrainian dual citizenship are excluded from the programme.
- 3. The Students at Risk Subprogramme is <u>ONLY for Ukrainian citizens who cannot study in a</u> <u>Ukrainian higher education institution in the war-affected area because of the ongoing</u> <u>war but wish to start or continue their studies as a student of a Hungarian higher</u> <u>education institution.</u>
- 4. The Call for Applications aims to help Ukrainian citizens who wish to start their studies in a Hungarian higher education institution in Academic Year 2023/24.

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# 1. The Students at Risk Subprogramme

## **1.1. Mission of the Subprogramme**

The Students at Risk Subprogramme is an addition to the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme, supervised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade and managed by the Tempus Public Foundation. Its goal is to assist students and doctoral candidates whose studies or research have been interrupted by war, catastrophe, prosecution etc.

## **1.2. Content of the Scholarship**

The Students at Risk Subprogramme provides scholarships for studies in Hungarian higher education institutions.

The present Call for Applications is for Ukrainian citizens who wish to pursue higher education studies in a Hungarian higher education institution. The opportunity is also open for those who already pursued higher education studies before and those who only have a secondary school graduation certificate (and who will have obtained a secondary school graduation certificate by the time of the enrolment).

#### This Call for Applications is only for students with Ukrainian citizenship!

The Students at Risk Subprogramme supports full-time higher education studies leading to a degree.

Please note that, in the case of specific study programmes (indicated in the application system), it is also possible to apply for a full degree off-campus programme of a Hungarian higher education institution that is conducted in cooperation with the Ferenc Rakoczi II Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education in *Berehove*, UA.

In the framework of these off-campus study programmes, Ukrainian citizens can study the full study programme in Berehove or part of the programme in Berehove with the possibility of continuing the other part of the programme in the Hungarian host institution in Hungary.

The Hungarian higher education institutions assess and evaluate the professional background and the qualification of the applicants during the institutional admission process and conduct the necessary recognition procedures regarding previous studies and credits (if the applicant previously pursued studies in higher education relevant to the study programme applied for). Recognition of prior studies is based on the recognised credits, and it is at the discretion of the higher education institutions to decide in which class/year the students could continue or start their studies.

# 2. Provisions Covered by the Students at Risk Subprogramme

#### Tuition-free education

- exemption from the payment of tuition fee
- Monthly stipend
  - for Ukrainian citizens at non-degree (including preparatory courses), bachelor's, master's, one-tier master's level: monthly amount of HUF 43,700 (currently ca EUR 110) contribution to the living expenses, for 12 months a year, until the completion of studies\*
  - **at doctoral level:** according to the prevailing Hungarian legislation, the monthly amount of the scholarship is HUF 140,000 (currently ca EUR 350) for the first phase of education (4 semesters) and HUF 180,000 (currently ca EUR 450) for the second phase (4 semesters) for 12 months a year, until the completion of studies.\*
- Accommodation contribution
  - free dormitory place or a contribution of HUF 40,000/month to accommodation costs for the whole duration of the scholarship period. (Please note that if the student does not live in the dormitory, the HUF 40,000/month is a contribution to the rental costs, and in bigger cities – especially in the capital city – this contribution would not cover the full amount of rental costs.)
- > Medical insurance in case of students studying in Hungary
  - health care services according to the relevant Hungarian legislation (Act LXXX of 1997, national health insurance card) and supplementary medical insurance for up to HUF 65,000 (currently ca EUR 163) a year/person

\* The monthly stipend and all other benefits are received until the end of the scholarship period under the Operational Regulations and the Implementation Guide of the Programme. Conditions (such as an active student status) are detailed in the Operational Regulations and the Implementation Guide of the Programme.

Please bear in mind that these provisions are **only a contribution** to the living expenses of the scholarship holders. It means that they **do not fully cover all the living costs, and the students need to add their own financial resources to cover all living expenses for** the duration of the scholarship period. All applicants are highly advised to check the expected living expenses in Hungary and the city they wish to live in before applying. Please review our *Cost of Living Calculator* by clicking here: http://www.studyinhungary.hu/living-in-hungary/menu/your-costs-of-living.html

# 3. Eligibility

# **3.1. Eligible Applicants**

Within this Call for Applications, the scholarship is available for those **who meet all of the following criteria**:

- who are citizens of Ukraine (including dual citizenship, except for those with Hungarian citizenship! Ukrainian-Hungarian dual citizens cannot apply!)
- those Ukrainian students who can certify that they have completed at least 11 years in public education.

Applicants under the age of 18 will not be rejected, but please note that parental (legal guardian) consent will be required to enrol, sign a scholarship contract, etc.

# 3.2. Non-eligibility

#### Applications will not be considered in the following cases:

- ➤ Hungarian citizens, including those with dual citizenships
  - Please note that this requirement is not only for applicants but for scholarship holders as well; it means that, e.g., the scholarship status automatically ends if the Scholarship Holder obtains Hungarian citizenship during the studies within the framework of the programme.

Ukrainian secondary school students who will not have obtained their secondary school graduation certificate until the enrolment

- Former Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holders who were awarded a full degree studies scholarship and are now re-applying for full degree studies in the <u>same cycle or lower level</u> of education (bachelor, master, one-tier master and doctoral level).
  - Therefore, those Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holders can apply for the programme who apply for different study levels, e.g., bachelor-level scholarship holders, can apply for master studies.
  - Please note that it is only possible to re-apply for full degree scholarship studies in the same education cycle if the former Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Holder was previously awarded partial (exchange) studies. Even in this case, the length of the full degree scholarship shall be reduced by the length of the previous partial (exchange) studies.
  - Please note that former Scholarship Holders of the Students at Risk subprogramme who were awarded a scholarship for partial (exchange) studies cannot apply for a lower level of education.
    - Those former Students at Risk Scholarship Holders who were awarded in the 2022/23 application round, but after accepting their scholarship, did not travel to Hungary or start their studies, nor did they notify Tempus Public Foundation of this fact until the application deadline.

# 4. Available Study Fields, Study Programmes and Host Institutions

## 4.1. Study Fields and Study Programmes

Applicants with Ukrainian citizenship can choose **any study field** offered in the Students at Risk Subprogramme of the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme.

Within this Call for Applications, the approved Students at Risk scholarship holders can start their studies from the academic year of 2023/2024 on **any available study programmes that are offered in the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme** (the Students at Risk Subprogramme is a subprogramme of the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme) in the online application system.

The list and description of the available study programmes can be browsed in the application system: <u>https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/courses/search/</u>.

Following this link, the applicants can check the general entry requirements too; however, the professional requirements can be expected to differ from those prescribed for Students at Risk participants who start their Hungarian studies in a grade higher than the first year. For the details regarding the entry requirements and admission procedure, applicants can obtain further information under the course description of the selected programme in the online application system.

## 4.2. Hungarian Higher Education Institutions

Students at Risk scholarship holders can start their studies from the academic year of 2023/2024 at **any host institution that is involved in the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme** (the Students at Risk Subprogramme is a subprogramme of the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme) and offers study programmes in the given application period.

The list and description of the available host institutions and study programmes can be browsed in the application system: <u>https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/courses/search/</u>.

## 4.3. Language of Education

#### 4.3.1. Studies in Foreign Languages

Students at Risk applicants can apply for studies **in English and other foreign languages**. The majority of study programmes are offered in the English language, but some of them are, e.g., in the French or German languages. The language of education for each study programme can also be checked in the application system.

The scholarship holders must have a proficiency level in the language of education as required by the Host Institution. Please visit the online application system (<u>https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/</u>) to see the exact language criteria for each study programme.

#### 4.3.2. Hungarian Language and English language preparatory programmes

Besides foreign languages, Ukrainian applicants can also apply for a **Hungarian language preparatory programme**. This language preparatory programme is for students who wish to learn the Hungarian language and – after completion – continue their original full-degree higher education studies or start their full-degree higher education studies in a Hungarian-language study programme.

In general, applicants of these programmes are not required to have any previous knowledge of the Hungarian language; however, they are usually required to have at least a basic level of English proficiency.

After completing the Hungarian language preparatory programme, students who meet the entry requirements set by the institution can continue their studies leading to a degree with the scholarship within the framework of the Stipendium Hungaricum programme, conducted in the Hungarian language.

Applicants can also apply for English language preparatory courses. After completing the English language preparatory programme, students who meet the entry requirements set by the institution can continue their studies leading to a degree with the scholarship within the framework of the Stipendium Hungaricum programme, conducted in the English language.

In the online application system, the applicants for the Hungarian language and English language preparatory programmes need to apply directly for these courses (and NOT for the degree programme they wish to start after the language programme).

For the sake of simplicity and because the Hungarian and English language preparatory programme participants are also expected to finish their scholarship studies with a degree, the text of this Call for Applications handles the Hungarian and English language preparatory programme participants as full degree applicants/students.

#### 4.3.3. Hungarian as a foreign language

In the first academic year of their studies, Scholarship Holders are required to attend the course "Hungarian as a foreign language" offered by the host university and to pass an exam at the end of the second semester (except Scholarship Holders studying in Hungarian language programmes). Scholarship holders who do not attend the course will not be able to receive the monthly stipend. The monthly stipend for students who take the course but fail to pass the exam will be reduced to 30,000 HUF/month.

## 4.4. Study Levels

The Students at Risk scholarships are available for full degree programmes and English language and Hungarian language preparatory courses.

Study programmes	The whole duration <u>of the</u> study programme	Qualifications at the end of the study programme
Bachelor programmes	2-4 years	BA or BSc degree
Master programmes	1.5-2 years	MA or MSc degree
One-tier master programmes	5-6 years	MA or MSc degree
Doctoral programmes	2+2 years	Doctoral degree

Non-degree Preparatory Course in the Hungarian language	1 year	certificate
English language preparatory courses	1 year	certificate

#### Note about one-tier master's programmes:

In the Hungarian education system, one-tier master's programmes cover both the bachelor and the master level of studies; therefore, it is an undivided study programme that results in a master's degree. These one-tier programmes are offered in specific study fields such as general medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, architecture, law, veterinary surgery, forestry engineering, etc.

#### Note about doctoral programmes:

In Hungary, the duration of doctoral programmes is 8 semesters. Doctoral programmes are divided into two phases: the first phase (4 semesters) is for professional training and research, while the second phase (4 semesters) is for research and dissertation. At the end of the first 4 semesters, doctoral students are obliged to take a complex exam, where the educational and research progress of the student is evaluated. Doctoral students can only continue with the second phase of their studies upon passing the complex exam. The amount of the monthly stipend is different in the two phases of doctoral programmes. Please see section 2. about financial details.

English language preparatory courses are available within this Call for Applications. Before the end of Academic Year 2023/24, the universities will decide if the scholarship holders can continue their studies in a full degree programme.

# 4.5 Special provisions to the off-campus study programmes that are conducted in cooperation with the Ferenc Rakoczi II. Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education, Berehove (UA)

The study programmes offered in Berehove (UA) as off-campus study programmes are conducted in cooperation with the Ferenc Rakoczi II. Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education (https://kmf.uz.ua/uk/).

Those who wish to study in one of the off-campus programmes offered at Ferenc Rakoczi II. Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education in Berehove (UA) can choose only from the programmes offered at the Berehove campus (for available programmes, see the application system).

The study programmes offered in Berehove are also full degree programmes, including Hungarian language and culture courses and English language courses.

In the framework of these off-campus study programmes, Ukrainian citizens can study the full study programme in Berehove or part of the programme in Berehove with the possibility of continuing the other part of the programme in the Hungarian host institution in Hungary.

# **5. The Application Process**

# **5.1. Application Procedure**



For details, see the Flow Chart of the application process in section 5.4.

# **5.2. Application Documents to be submitted to Tempus Public Foundation**

#### **5.2.1. Basic Application Documents and Replacement Documents**

The following documents must be uploaded to the online application system. **Please note that only files with a maximum size of 4 MB can be uploaded.** 

There could be missing documents (e.g., school certificates, transcripts). For this reason, the applicants are asked to upload as many documents as possible that could provide credible evidence about previous studies and grades (see details below).

For those who want to have previous studies recognised later: The universities will conduct the recognition process throughout the institutional admission process. The host universities selected on the application form have continuous and direct access to the online application system so that they can check documents at any time. If – after submitting the application package until the deadline – the applicant finds further documents that could confirm their academic history, records, or language proficiency, it is important to forward these documents to the host university. The application surface is planned to stay open so that new documents can be uploaded (however, data previously uploaded cannot be changed); therefore, any new documents should be uploaded in the application system (unless the university has a different protocol).

Application Documents	Details	If you are unable to upload this type of document
Online application form	The applicants must fill out and save all requested information on the online application form in English or Hungarian, including the attachment of a recent photo (not older than 2 years).	Not relevant. All applicants need to fill out the online application form.

Application Documents	Details	If you are unable to upload this type of document
Letter about future study plans	Minimum 1-page-long letter written in English, Hungarian or the language of the selected study programme about future study plans and how they are relevant to previous studies. If you are a doctoral- level student, this letter should include your research plans. The letter should be inserted into the online application system section called "Motivation".	Not relevant. All applicants need to include this in the online application system.
School certificates	j Ideally, this would be a copy of a secondary school graduation certificate or equivalent for bachelor-level studies, a bachelor's degree certificate or equivalent for master-level studies and a master's degree certificate or equivalent for doctoral-level studies. However, if missing, any other documents that provide credible evidence should be uploaded. For Ukrainian secondary school students, showing proof that they completed at least 11 years in public education and obtained or will obtain their secondary school graduation certificate (a document certifying the completion of high school studies) until the enrolment. For those who wish to continue their studies on a higher study level (e.g., finished their bachelor studies and would like to continue their studies at master level), showing proof that they obtained a degree at bachelor's or master's level is the date of the enrolment at the latest.	Not relevant. Information about previous studies and qualifications is requested on the online application form. All applicants must sign the "Statement for Application" accepting that all information submitted is accurate and true; therefore, this will count as a statement about qualifications.
Transcript of Records	Ideally, this would be the transcript of records regarding all academic semesters or school years completed during previous studies. If missing or partly missing, any other documents should be uploaded that provide credible evidence.	If missing, applicants should list previous academic records with as many details as possible. This document should be submitted to the online application system.
Copy of Passport/ID card	If the applicant has a passport, upload the scanned copy of the page containing both the personal data and the photograph of the applicant.	If the applicant does not have/lost the passport, upload any official document(s) received by the official authorities (such as the National Directorate-General for Aliens Policing in Hungary or the Hungarian border police). If the applicant has a valid national ID card, a copy should be uploaded too.

Application Documents	Details	If you are unable to upload this type of document
Proof of language proficiency	Documents that provide credible evidence that the applicant's level of language proficiency meets the minimum level determined by the Host Institution. Ideally, this would be a copy of a language exam. A language exam is unnecessary if the applicants completed any previous studies in the same language as the language of the chosen Hungarian study programme (for example, if the official language of the high school was English because it is an official language in the home country of the student). See section 4.3. for general language requirements.	If missing, the host institutions will assess the applicants' language proficiency level. If the language of the chosen study programme in Hungary is the same as the language of the study programme started (but not finished) in Ukraine, please also upload, if possible, any document(s) that provide credible evidence of this.
Statement for Application	All applicants need to accept and sign the 'Statement for Application". The statement should be made on the form provided: download Annex 2, which contains the form that should be used.	

Please note that, under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in European Union law, the applicants need to consent to data protection and accept our Privacy Policy to submit the application. This consent appears in the system after registration and the Privacy Policy – also Annex 3.

#### **5.2.2. Optional documents**

Application Documents	Details	
Letter of Acceptance or Certificate of Student	Please upload this document if the applicant has already contacted a	
Status issued by a Hungarian higher education institution	Hungarian Host Institution and received a Letter of Acceptance. If the student has already enrolled at a Hungarian higher education institution after fleeing the war and has a Certificate of Student Status, please upload this document.	
Translation of all/any application documents that are not in English, Hungarian or the language	This is not a requirement; however, if the applicant has any translations of the application document(s) that are in a language different from English, Hungarian or the language of the selected Hungarian study programme,	
of the selected Hungarian study programme	please also upload these to the online system.	

## 5.2.3. Documents that are currently missing but could be collected later

The applicants may be unable to get a copy at the time of the application. In case of study-related documents reviewed by the host institutions (school certificates, transcript of records, proof of language proficiency), these documents might be presented later <u>depending on the Host Institution's</u> <u>protocols and decision</u>.

If this is the case, it should be clearly indicated on the application form. Also, all application documents or their replacement documents listed in section 5.2.1. should still be uploaded into the system.

## 5.3. Submitting the Application

All applications shall be submitted through the online application system of Tempus Public Foundation. After registration, the applicants can access the application system and upload the application documents. No hard copies are required. Please make sure that the application is actually submitted, not only saved.

#### The deadline for submitting the application: 22 May 2023, 2 pm (Central European Time)

The online application system can be accessed here: apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu

The available study programmes and Host Institutions are accessible in the online application system (<u>https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/</u>). Please note that you can only apply for these study programmes within the framework of the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme.

In addition to the first choice of study programme, there is an opportunity to apply for an additional, **second study programme**. Therefore, each applicant can apply for **up to <u>TWO</u> different study programmes in order of preference.** The second study programme can be only a Hungarian language and culture course and an English language preparatory course. Other study programmes selected as a second choice will not be considered.

By submitting the application, the applicant declares that all information provided in the online application system of Tempus Public Foundation – including the content of all uploaded documents – are true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief. MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT RESULTS IN GETTING EXCLUDED FROM THE STIPENDIUM HUNGARICUM SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR 10 YEARS!

Registering with a valid and properly working e-mail address regularly monitored by the applicant is strongly recommended. In case there is a change in the address – including during the study period in Hungary – the Host Institution and Tempus Public Foundation should be immediately informed and be provided with the new e-mail address by the applicant/Scholarship Holder. If possible, please avoid using a Hotmail or a Yahoo account because, in that case, letters from Tempus Public Foundation usually go to the Spam folder.

#### **5.4. Flow Chart of Application Process**

March - May 2023

applicants read the Students at Risk

Call for Application, check the eligibility criteria and prepare all

application documents



#### March - May 2023

applicants could get in touch with the preferred host institutions, but it is not a requirement



#### First half of May 2023

selection process: technical check by TPF, applicants who meet the basic eligibility criteria are forwarded to the Hungarian host institutions for evaluation

#### 22 May 2023, 2 pm

applicants submit the application through the online application surface of Tempus Public Foundation (TPF)



Second half of May - June 2023 Entrance examinations by the host institutions

#### end of July 2023

decision by TPF based on priorities and notification about the application results



end of July - August 2023 issuing Letter of Award (Tempus Public Foundation) end of July-August 2023 issuing the Letter of Acceptance (host institution)



#### until 30 September 2023

the scholarship holders get enrolled at the host universities

## **5.5. Selection Procedure**

#### 5.5.1. First phase: technical check

The applications successfully submitted to Tempus Public Foundation's online application system are checked first. This is called a technical check and is done by Tempus Public Foundation. The technical check is conducted at the same time for all applicants.

Tempus Public Foundation only checks the eligibility of the applicants for the scholarship:

 citizenship, age, and possible former Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship or Students at Risk Scholarship status (if any) - further details are in section 3,

if the Statement for Application is signed and uploaded (in the case of applicants under 18, it is also to be signed by the Parent or Legal Guardian)

Applicants will be automatically rejected during the technical check if they do not meet the basic eligibility criteria, including those who provided false information during the application process. Making a <u>false statement</u> results in getting excluded from the Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship programme for 10 years!

The applications that pass the technical check are forwarded to the selected Host Institution. Only applicants having passed the technical check can be considered by the host institutions.

#### 5.5.2. Second phase: entrance examination

The host institutions run a formal check and examine the content of the uploaded files to see if all the documents submitted by the applicants meet the requirements of the Call for Applications and the minimum entry requirements of the selected study programme(s).

Applicants must take part in the institutional entrance examination.

The exact date and method of the entrance examination vary by institution. Each applicant will be individually informed about further details (e.g., date of examination) directly by their selected Host Institution(s).

For more details about the specific requirements of the selected study programme, please check the course description in the application system.

Please note that getting approved by the Host Institution <u>does not mean</u> that the applicant is approved for the scholarship.

#### 5.5.3. Third phase: decision

Tempus Public Foundation makes a final decision based on the priorities and the entrance examination results. All applicants will be informed about the application results around the end of July 2023 (please see the timeline in Section 5.1). Please note that applicants can expect only one information e-mail from Tempus Public Foundation about the results. Awarded applicants need to accept the scholarship by the deadline.

Those who do not accept their scholarship until the deadline are automatically considered withdrawn from the scholarship.

After accepting the scholarship, applicants can expect the Letter of Acceptance from the host institution and the Letter of Award from Tempus Public Foundation throughout July and August; therefore, we ask for your patience.

Please note that we are not able to reply to individual requests asking for the results, and all applicants will be informed via the online system.

# 6. Studying in Hungary

We highly recommend that all applicants visit our Study in Hungary website (<u>www.studyinhungary.hu</u>) for detailed information about life and education in Hungary.

Please note that the Students at Risk Subprogramme does not fully cover all incurring costs of the Scholarship Holder. It means that the students need to add their own financial resources to cover all living expenses in Hungary. All applicants are highly advised to check the expected living expenses both in Hungary and the city that they wish to live in before applying; please do check our Cost of Living Calculator by clicking here: <u>http://www.studyinhungary.hu/living-in-hungary/menu/your-costs-of-living.html</u>

## 6.1. Arrival and enrolment

Any possible changes in the entry and enrolment system due to the COVID-19 pandemic will be posted on our website: <u>https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/</u>.

Scholarship holders are required to inform the Students at Risk/Stipendium Hungaricum coordinator of their Host Institution (please see contact details on our website) about their expected date of arrival 30 – but not less than 15 – days before arrival.

Successful applicants are expected to make their own travel arrangements to Hungary or Berehove (UA) – no financial provisions will be provided for travel expenses by the Hungarian side. Under current legislation, scholarship holders are entitled to be exempt from paying any fees related to their admission to Hungary. No visa, administrative services or additional contribution is given to family members or accompanying persons.

Scholarship holders are expected to arrive in Hungary or Berehove (UA) and **register at the Host Institution** or until the date set by the host institutions but no later than 30 September 2023. The applicant who is granted the scholarship must enrol at the Host Institution in the semester in which she/he was granted admission.

In principle, it is **not possible to postpone the start of the scholarship studies** to another semester or academic year – except for very special, unforeseeable, force majeure cases described in the Operational Regulations, with the special approval of Tempus Public Foundation. Therefore, in principle, if the Scholarship Holder does not enrol until 30 September 2023 or the date set by the host institutions, she/he will be automatically excluded from the scholarship programme.

Please note that scholarship holders will undergo medical examinations organised by universities upon the students' arrival in Hungary (it is free of charge for scholarship holders).

## 6.2. Rights and Obligations

#### 6.2.1. Operational Regulations, GDPR and Student Contract

All scholarship holders are bound by the Operational Regulations of the Stipendium Hungaricum Programme. Please make sure to read it carefully in Annex 1. The following text contains summarised extracts from the Operational Regulations; however, all scholarship holders must read the full text of the regulations.

Scholarship holders must sign a scholarship contract with the Host Institution, including study-related details and the rights and obligations of the scholarship holders (see a general sample for Stipendium Hungaricum students <u>on our website</u> or at the end of the Operational Regulations).

The scholarship is a contribution to the living costs of the Scholarship Holder only; therefore – within the framework of the programme – visa-related assistance, additional allowance and administrative services are not provided for any accompanying people or family members. The scholarship contract is exclusively between the Scholarship Holder and the Host Institution.

The scholarship holders are expected to follow the regulations of the Host Institution and continue their studies in good faith, to the best of their abilities, to meet the study programme's academic requirements, and thus finish the programme successfully. By accepting the scholarship, the scholarship holders agree to participate in the alumni system of the programme that supports the maintenance of relationships with other scholarship holders and facilitates the flow of information – such as the alumni website, alumni events and surveys about the satisfaction of students, career monitoring, and the evaluation of research activities.

Please note that Scholarship Holder students generally complete 30 credits in a semester; therefore, we suggest registering for courses with at least 30 credits in total. Please also note that if the Scholarship Holder does not complete at least 18 credits on average during the last two semesters with an active student status (in total 36 credits), their scholarship status shall be terminated. Please note that the Operational Regulations of the Stipendium Hungaricum Programme can be subject to change, and the Scholarship Holders are always bound by the prevailing regulations at any given time.

Please note that, under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in European Union law, all applicants need to give consent regarding data protection and accept the Privacy Policy (see Annex 3) to be able to submit an application. These consents appear in the online application system after registration.

#### 6.2.2. Staying in Hungary

Scholarship holders are obliged to live and study in Hungary; therefore, they are not allowed to live habitually in any other country during the study period; otherwise, their Scholarship Holder status will be terminated.

Those scholarship holders enrolled on a study programme offered as an off-campus programme of one of the Hungarian higher education institutions at the Ferenc Rakoczi II. Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education in Berehove (UA) are exempt from the obligation of living in Hungary. Still,

they must be living in Ukraine and are not allowed to live in any other country than Hungary or Ukraine during the study period; otherwise, their Scholarship Holder status will be terminated.

#### 6.2.3. Other Scholarships and Double Financing

As the Students at Risk scholarship covers the entire period of the studies, the scholarship holders are not entitled to use financial support to enrol in full-time or partial (exchange) study programmes outside Hungary (e.g., Erasmus +, CEEPUS, Campus Mundi). They can only participate in conferences or research activities professionally relevant to their studies. In the case of the off-campus study programmes in Berehove, these activities should not exceed 14 days or, in any way, prevent the student from habitually living in Hungary or Ukraine.

Applicants are also not eligible to receive the Students at Risk scholarship if they have another concurrent scholarship from the Hungarian central budget for studies in Hungary. If the Scholarship Holder was awarded more than one scholarship, she/he has to choose one of the scholarships and withdraw from the others. However, the host institutions can provide additional financial support for the students on a social, performance-related, or any other basis.

Under the regulations of Government Decree 51/2007. (III. 26.), scholarship holders are entitled to be awarded the National Higher Education Scholarship ("nemzeti felsőoktatási ösztöndíj").

#### 6.2.4. Termination of Scholarship Status

The details and cases when the scholarship status is terminated are listed in the Operational Regulations of the programme (Annex 1). It is important to highlight that– after the consultation with Tempus Public Foundation and in case the university does not have other interior regulations about this – the Host Institution has the right to terminate the scholarship status of the student if the student does not complete at least 18 credits on the average during the last two semesters (in total 36 credits) when she/he had an active student status.

Under the Operational Regulations of the programme, the scholarship status is terminated if

- > the student status of the Scholarship Holder is terminated by the Host Institution,
- the Scholarship Holder does not complete at least 18 credits on average during the last two semesters with active student status,
- the Scholarship Holder withdraws from the scholarship in writing (sent to both Tempus Public Foundation and the Host Institution),
- after accepting his/her scholarship, the Scholarship Holder does not travel to Hungary or Berehove (UA) in case of the off-campus study programmes in Berehove and does not start his/her studies (if he/she does not notify Tempus Public Foundation of this fact, he/she cannot apply for the Stipendium Hungaricum Programme in the next 3 years)
- the Scholarship Holder had obtained a degree in the study programme supported by the scholarship,
- the Scholarship Holder has used up all the awarded scholarship semesters and has not submitted an extension request; or in case the student is not entitled to an extension,
- the Scholarship Holder does not comply with the programme's regulations regarding the obligation of living habitually in Hungary or Ukraine in the case of the off-campus study

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- the Scholarship Holder receives Hungarian citizenship (including those with dual citizenships)
- the Scholarship Holder does not fulfil their obligation to participate in medical screenings and their additional obligations set out in the healthcare protocol, or he is deemed unfit during the obligatory medical examination,
- as a result of institutional disciplinary or criminal proceedings against the Scholarship Holder, the Scholarship Holder is expelled, and for this reason, Tempus Public Foundation asks the Host Institution to terminate the scholarship status,
- > in other cases described in the Operational Regulations of the programme in effect.

# 7. Contact Details

Please visit our <u>www.stipendiumhungaricum.hu</u> and <u>www.studyinhungary.hu</u> websites for more details. Please contact the Directorate for the Internationalization of Higher Education of Tempus Public Foundation in one of the following ways in case you need further information.

Please note that it is the responsible authorities that applicants should contact regarding questions about residence permits and visas, as well as questions about temporary protection or refugee status.

Contact Tempus Public Foundation		
Website of the Programme	https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/	
	https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/studentsatrisk/	
Skype	"stipendiumhungaricum"	
E-mail	studyinhungary@tpf.hu	
	stipendiumhungaricum@tpf.hu	
Phone	+36-1-236-5040	
Facebook	https://hu-hu.facebook.com/studyinhungaryofficial/	
Information about Hungary	www.studyinhungary.hu	
Costs of Living Calculator	click here	

Contact the Hungarian higher education institutions		
Contact details of institutional coordinators	check it in the application system:	
Details of available study programmes	https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/	

# 8. Annexes

Annex 1

Operational Regulations of the Stipendium Hungaricum Programme (Rights and Obligations section)

Annex 2 Statement for Application Annex 3 Privacy Policy

The Call for Applications and the Annexes are also available for download at: <u>https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/studentsatrisk/</u>

Please note that the Call for Applications of the Students at Risk Subprogramme is subject to change; therefore, we suggest that all applicants follow our website.