



**ECTS
Information
Package
for
Exchange
Students**

DEAR EXCHANGE STUDENT,

The Corvinus University of Budapest invites you to spend a semester or a year at an internationally recognised, prestigious Hungarian university.

Hungary has been a tiny but by no means insignificant country in the heart of Europe for 1100 years. It has its own language, which is an island in the sea of the Indo-European languages. It has its own history, which was full of well-known and exciting events, ups and downs during the thousand-year history. It has its own tradition including the folk art different from the neighbouring countries and the unforgettable flavours of the Hungarian cuisine. The never fading inventions, the electric motor, the carburettor, the vitamin C, the computer, the hologram persuaded the world about the skills and innovative thinking of the Hungarian people who contributed remarkably to the development of the world.

For these achievements the internationally recognised Hungarian higher education with its famous universities and colleges may be responsible. One of these institutions is the Corvinus University of Budapest, which has provided an excellent education in business administration, economics, public administration, various areas of social sciences (e.g. political science, sociology and international relations), horticulture, food science and landscape architecture.

Meeting the new challenges, Corvinus University is going to maintain its leading position and be an international university offering English and German language study programmes and courses.

The MA programme of the Faculty of Business Administration was ranked at distinguished places by the Financial Times for four consecutive years. Another evidence of the University's commitment to internationalisation and support of mobility is that the International Cooperation Prize and European Quality Award were granted to the International Office in 2009 and 2005 respectively.

You are invited to join one or more of these programmes and courses!

We hope that after studying this information package and gaining a picture about the courses offered in foreign languages, you will realise that it is worth studying at Corvinus University.



Prof. Tamás Mészáros
Rector

Budapest

Hungary – in the heart of Europe
Budapest – the city of superlatives



Hungary – In the Heart of Europe

■ Facts and Figures

Homepage:	www.hungary.hu , www.hungary.com
Official name:	Republic of Hungary
Capital:	Budapest
Administration structure:	Capital city and 19 counties
State form:	Parliamentary republic
Territory:	93,030 km ²
Population:	10,043,000 (2008)
Language:	Hungarian
Religion:	Roman Catholic, Protestant, Greek Catholic, Jewish, Orthodox
Climate:	Continental temperate
Local time:	(summer) GMT+2, (winter) GMT+1
Currency:	Forint (Ft, HUF)
Electricity:	220V / 50Hz (EU standard)



■ The Country

Those who have been to Hungary have seen what a special, exciting country this is. It does not even cover 100,000 square kilometres, and yet is unbelievably varied. The flat plains are broken by hilly regions, and there are even some modest mountains looking down on us. We can take our ease on the banks of small streams or great rivers, beside enticing ponds or on the shores of one of the biggest lakes in Europe. One can stroll down the streets of towns with individual characters filled with traditional architecture, stop at tiny villages to see wonders not to be found elsewhere, or visit coffee houses or restaurants with centuries of tradition.

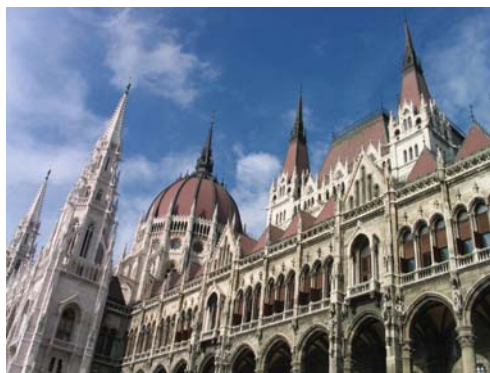
Hungary is a meeting point of cultures. Hungarian culture was not only able to safeguard and renew its own values and traditions, but it has always been able to accept the influence of other cultures.

This small country, brimming with culture and natural beauty, proudly possesses one of the finest capital cities in the world – Budapest. Uniquely, it is also endowed with two-thousand-year-old Roman remains, four-hundred-year-old monuments from the Turkish period, beautiful Romanesque churches, examples of the pinnacle of neo-Gothic and art nouveau architecture, and castles that





are still imposing even though they have long since fallen into ruin. Lovers of nature and of the great outdoors will relish in exploring Europe's largest freshwater lake – Lake Balaton – or the many landscape conservation areas, each concealing a wonderful and protected living world. From an industrial point of view Hungary does have very little timber, ore and oil, though in other natural treasures Hungary is one of the leaders in Europe. Starting off in any direction one can see: plains providing a habitat for native plant and animal life, moors, flood plains, forests and pastures, all almost untouched. There are 9 national parks, 37 landscape protection regions and 145 environmental protection areas in Hungary. Among them UNESCO has designated the Aggtelek caves and the Hortobágy National Park as World Heritage sites, deserving special protection. Other areas of the country can also be proud of a UNESCO World Heritage listing: for example, the castle district in Budapest and its panorama; Hollókő, a small medieval village famous for traditional architecture; and Pannonhalma, a Benedictine abbey more than one thousand years old.



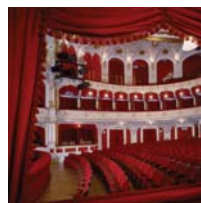
■ Monuments, Museums

Throughout Hungary's 1000-year history its luxurious palaces and castles were famous in far away countries for the way they blended into the landscape. The most beautiful examples have been restored with skill and care, and today are either historic monuments or museums, or serve as hotels and guesthouses for Hungarians and foreign visitors alike. We are faced with an embarrassment of riches in deciding which our favourite museum is. In addition to the international collections in the big cities, a visit to a village "traditional house", a village museum or even a museum village, is a special experience. The history of Hungarian fine arts and the story of the country and the capital city can be found in the museums showing the national collections. Here one can find both contemporary artists and those of the past.



■ Music, Theatre

Hungary is a musical country, where the Ferenc Liszt cult is still alive. Hungarian music is not just Liszt, of course, but also consists of folk music, which was rediscovered in the 20th century and is still alive in many villages today. Béla Bartók and Zoltán Kodály collected the best pieces and incorporated them into world famous works. In the 1970's a new movement brought folk music back into fashion. "Táncház" (folk dance house) is still a typical popular thing to see and hear in Hungary. Not only to see and hear, but also to practice. It is possible to learn the steps, quickly and easily. In Hungary the theatre is not seasonal. From January to December, in daylight or with floodlights, in a historic opera house, by a lake, within the walls of a fort, in an open-air theatre under the stars, from the smallest village to the biggest city, there is always something happening somewhere. An opera, a ballet, a military brass band, a folk dance festival, a jazz festival, a foreign language play or a church recital, or even dinner in a restaurant with a gypsy band – one can find it all in Hungary.



■ Gastronomy

The common opinion is that Hungarians eat a lot of heavy, greasy food – the most important ingredient of which is very hot paprika. In fact, this is a delusion. Hungarian cuisine has made use of vegetable oils instead of lard for decades... and the moderate use of sweet paprika as a spice gives dishes a fuller flavour. Besides the masterfully prepared rich soup known the world over by the name goulash, one should definitely try fish soup, paprika chicken, a good home-made stew, and the freshwater fish: spit-roasted pike-perch, carp or trout, as well as goose liver, which is fried or grilled and served either hot or cold. Good food requires good wine, especially those outstanding wines made from grapes grown in historic Hungarian wine regions. Egri Bikavér, Badacsonyi Olaszrizling and Soproni Kékfrankos are all recognised throughout Europe, while Tokaji Aszú won the world's most important wine Grand Prix in New York.





■ Did You Know...

...that these famous people were Hungarians?

- Nobel-laureate Albert Szent-Györgyi, who discovered Vitamin C.
- János Neumann (of Hungarian origin), who invented the electronically programmable computer.
- Károly Simonyi Jr., who developed the Word and Excel programmes for Microsoft.
- János Kemény, who was the first person in the world to send an e-mail.
- József Galamb, who designed the Model-T for Ford.
- Nobel-laureate György Oláh, who discovered the five-valence carbon atom necessary for unleaded petrol (gasoline).
- Róbert Bárány, who was awarded the Nobel Prize for discovering the vestibular organ responsible for balance while working as an army doctor in a Soviet prison camp.
- Viktor Szebehely, who determined the orbit of the Apollo spaceship landing on the Moon.
- Dénes Gábor, who got the Nobel Prize for discovering the concept of the holograph.

■ Higher Education in Hungary

There are two main types of higher education in Hungary: university and college education. Higher education institutions are autonomous, which means they are professionally independent legal entities with self-governance.

The Bologna-type degrees were implemented as of the academic year 2005/2006. The essential element of the Bologna Process is the common European Higher Education Area, which facilitates the comparability and thus, the recognition of qualifications acquired in a multi-cycle (Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral) Degree system throughout Europe. Hungary has also pledged herself to participate in the tasks related to the establishment of the European Higher Education Area, including the implementation of the multi-cycle degree system.

The first degree level takes 6 to 8 semesters and leads to the Bachelor's Degree. The Bachelor's Degree qualifies graduates for a profession, that is, it can be well exploited on the labour market after graduation. In addition, it provides an appropriate theoretical foundation for the studies to be continued on Master Level, immediately or after a few years of work experience. The Master's Degree cycle takes 2 to 4 semesters (except for teacher education, which lasts 5 semesters), and it also has two outputs: the labour market and the Doctoral Degree cycle. The latter prepares for the acquisition of the highest degree in the pyramid of degrees.

This system is capable of providing high standard training for a large number of students and, at the same time, it offers a variety of study opportunities for the most outstanding students who wish to obtain the best qualifications. There are different ways to obtain these degrees: it is possible to change institutions or even countries between cycles.



Budapest – The City of Superlatives

■ Facts and Figures

Homepage:	www.budapest.hu , www.budapestinfo.hu
Area:	525 km ²
Population:	around 1.7 million
Administrative districts:	23
For lovers of culture:	237 monuments, 223 museums and galleries, 35 theatres, 90 cinemas, 2 opera houses, 12 concert halls and nearly 200 places of amusement



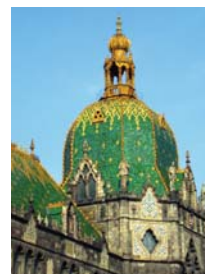
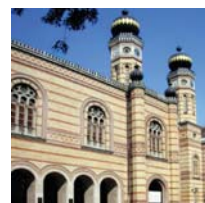
Budapest is a vibrant city: it throbs with life morning, noon and night; visitors arriving from other countries get the feeling that something interesting is happening round every corner. Some fall in love with Budapest at first sight, others will only become devotees after a longer stay, but no one denies that it is one of the most beautifully situated cities in the world.

There are plenty of other capital cities built on the banks of a river, and in many cases the river runs through the historic centre. But such a wide and majestic river, as the Danube at Budapest is, is more of a rarity. Even more exceptional is the perfect contrast between the right and left banks. Buda is built upon hills; the feet of two of them – Castle Hill and Gellért Hill – almost stand in the water. Facing it is Pest, as flat as a pancake (or, as a Hungarian might say, as flat as a “lángos,” pita-type bread popular for many centuries).





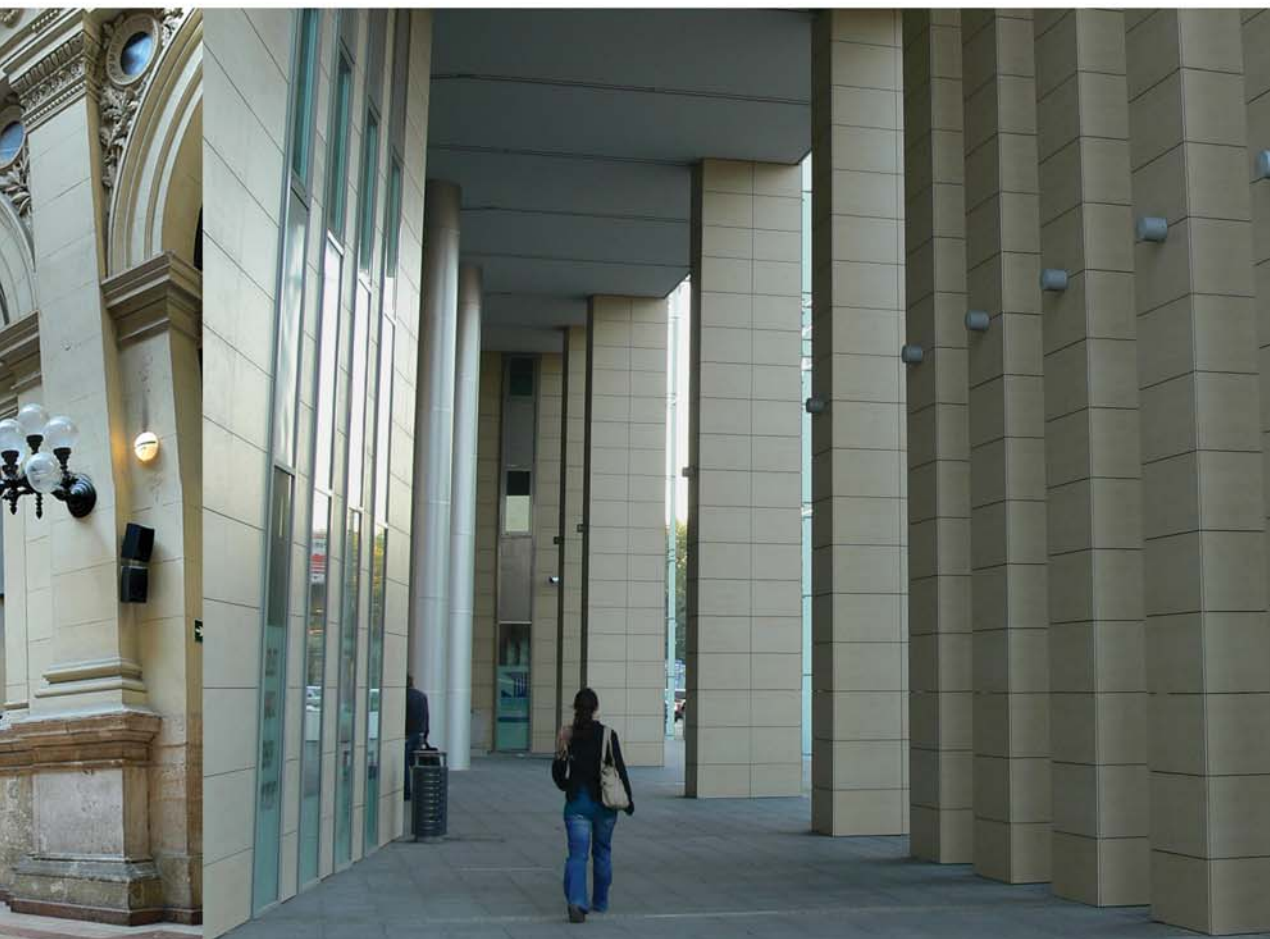
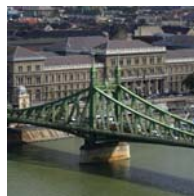
It's no exaggeration to say that Budapest is one of the finest capital cities in Europe. Among the several places in Hungary that have been afforded the classification of UNESCO World Heritage Site, the first were the Danube panorama (on the Buda side from the Gellért Hotel all along Castle Hill to Margaret Bridge, and on the Pest side from the Parliament back down to Petőfi Bridge), and Andrásy út (along its entire length from the centre of Pest to Heroes' Square, where the Millenary Monument stands on the edge of the City Park). Budapest, now home to 1,7 million inhabitants, would appear countless times on any list of superlatives. The Continent's first underground railway was built here. More pioneering Hollywood film makers originated from here than from any other European cities. Budapest was the home of such world class inventors as Kálmán Kandó, the father of electric railways, and János Irinyi, one of the early developers of matches. Hungary's two most celebrated composers – Béla Bartók and Zoltán Kodály – lived in Budapest, and Nobel Prize-winning Hungarian author Imre Kertész was born here.



Hungary's oldest academic library, the University Library, is to be found here. It is the location of Europe's largest synagogue. It is the only capital city in the world where there are more than one hundred hot thermal springs. There are no other cities of comparable size anywhere where visitors can explore dripstone (stalactite) caves in the middle of the residential districts. It would be difficult to find another city where visitors are faced with such a choice of transport: bus, tram, trolleybus, train, underground railway, cogwheel railway, funicular, forest railway, horse-and-trap, chair-lift, boat, bicycle, rickshaw, and on Margaret Island "bringóhintó" family cycle cars – Budapest has them all!

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Corvinus University

■ Facts and Figures

Number of faculties:	7
Number of students (2008/2009):	18 031
Number of PhD students:	284
Academic staff:	727 full-time and 128 part-time
Members and Representatives of Doctors of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences:	53
Administrative staff:	810
International relations:	More than 300 partner universities
International exchanges:	Bilateral exchanges, CEEPUS, ERASMUS, TEMPUS, CEMS, PIM
Hosts and sends:	over 200 students per semester
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60th Anniversary of KÖZGÁZ Campus Ceremony – conferring the title of honorary doctor
Prof. Eric S. Maskin, Nobel Prize laureate in Economics (right) Prof. Tamás Mészáros rector (left)





■ Brief History

The Corvinus University of Budapest (former Budapest University of Economic Sciences and Public Administration – BUESPA) was established through the integration of the Budapest University of Economic Sciences (BUES) with the College of Public Administration in 2000 and with three faculties of Szent István University (Faculty of Food Science, Faculty of Horticultural Science and Faculty of Landscape Architecture) on September 1, 2003. Training in horticulture dates back 150 years, in economics and business 80 years, in public administration 30 years.



■ Academic Life

The University was and still is the best institution of its kind in Hungary and also in the region. It is today an internationally recognised institution in the areas of both education and research. Operating with seven faculties the University provides **Bachelor, Master and Doctoral programmes**. Bachelor programmes started in the academic year 2006/2007. Master programmes leading to the second degree were introduced in the academic year 2008/2009. Corvinus University offers the whole spectrum of training in the areas of economics, business, public administration, horticultural science, food science, landscape architecture and social sciences. In May, 2009 the Executive MBA programme and the BA in Business Administration and Management has been accredited by the International Accreditation Committee of EPAS (European Programme Accreditation System) for three years and for five years respectively. That means a big step to achieve the University's international objectives. The Faculty of Business Administration of the Corvinus University of Budapest is the first in Hungary being accredited within the EFMD (European Foundation for Management Development) programme accreditation.



In the **full-time programmes** students can choose from an exceptionally wide range of majors and minors.

Postgraduate and specialised trainings are offered for graduates who wish to deepen their knowledge in their own special field of studies (usually according to their job).

PhD training is based on course work and research.

The teaching structure, the prerequisites for each level and the content of the degree programmes have been in constant change, meeting the requirements of the actual market. All these facts have strengthened Corvinus University as one of the leading institutions in the country despite the increasing competition.

The University's **academic staff** is involved in teaching and research. They have scored notable academic successes, and their articles appear in leading journals and other specialised publications in Hungary, Europe and America. The publication of specialised books of an international standard has risen significantly. Many Corvinus University graduates have occupied leading posts in the respective elite of the society. The faculties are constantly "refreshed" through the deep involvement of the most talented PhD students both in teaching and in research activities. Thus, young teachers and researchers of outstanding capabilities are kept in the academic sphere, further enhancing and constantly improving the quality and relevance of the knowledge imparted at Corvinus University.



■ International Activities

■ Management at University level

Prof. Norbert KIS, Vice-rector for International Affairs coordinates the international activity of the University and is responsible for university level international related issues. He manages the elaboration of the University's strategy of external relations and coordinates its execution with the assistance of the faculties.

The Vice-rector harmonises the university and faculty level international activities and fosters the further improvement of the international image of the university.



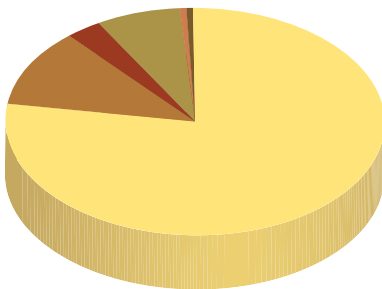


■ Partner Institutions

With prestigious academic background Corvinus University is becoming more and more an international university. The University has considered it important to maintain and strengthen the existing international relations as well as to develop new ones. Nowadays it has more than 300 partner universities all over the world.



Corvinus Exchange Partners

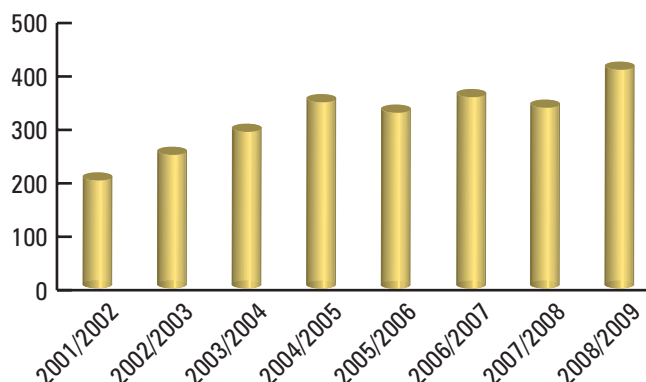


-  Europe
-  USA and Canada
-  Latin/America
-  Asia
-  Australia, New-Zealand
-  Africa



The favourite destination countries are Germany and the Netherlands. Countries that send the most incoming students to Corvinus University are Germany and France.

Incoming Students



■ CEMS, PIM

Corvinus University is a member of a variety of international organisations; among them the elite group of CEMS (The Global Alliance in Management Education) since 1996. 2001 brought another stamp of the approval of the University: the PIM membership. The Partnership in International Management is a programme of cooperation among an international consortium of higher education institutions outstanding in their field, leaders in their region, which deliver a graduate-equivalent degree in management.

■ University Networks

Corvinus University takes part also in the following international organisations:

EUA (European University Association)

DRC (Danube Rectors' Conference)

IAU (International Association of Universities)

■ Professional Networks

AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)

AFANet (Network for Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and the Environment)

APSA (American Political Science Association)

ECLAS (European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools)

ESA (European Sociological Association)

ICA (Interuniversity Consortium in Agricultural and Related Sciences in Europe)

IFLA (International Federation of Landscape Architects)

CEEMAN (Central and Eastern European Management Network)

EDAMBA (European Doctoral Programmes Association in Management and Business Administration)

EFMD (European Foundation for Management Development)

FFNet (European Functional Foodnet)



■ Double/Joint Degree

Corvinus University has a joint international programme with the University of Passau (Germany) which enables the best students to get the degrees of both universities. The University has developed double degree programmes also with ESSCA Angers (France) and CAH Dronen (the Netherlands). The Faculty of Horticultural Science also has double degree programmes with more than one university at the same time, and the student obtains the degree of the institution he or she goes to. The International Master in Vine, Wine and Terroir; the Joint European Master in Comparative Local Development, European Master in Sustainable Regional Health Systems and the International Master in Economy, State and Society Programmes launched by several prestigious European universities also enable students to get a joint degree. These Programmes are among the Erasmus Mundus Master Programmes, as well.

■ Education outside Hungary

Corvinus University offers a programme of higher education in horticultural sciences for the Hungarian abroad e.g. in Beregszász (Ukraine), Nyárádszereda (Romania), Zenta (Serbia).

■ LLP/ERASMUS

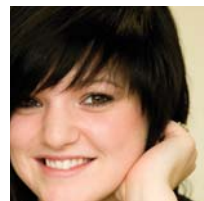
The University participates in several international exchange programmes. The one with the largest mobility at Corvinus University is the ERASMUS programme, designed by the European Commission to enhance cooperation between higher education institutions. Through the years, it has become more and more popular among students and academic staff at Corvinus University. Nowadays, the University exchanges students with nearly all member states and approximately 200 universities of the European Union.

In the academic year 2008/2009 there are:

357 outgoing and

303 incoming ERASMUS students.

The number of incoming ERASMUS students is between 140 and 160 per semester.



■ Awards

In 2009 the Corvinus University of Budapest was awarded with the **International Cooperation Prize** for the high quality institutional coordination of the Erasmus Project within the Life Long Learning Programme. The prize was given by the Hungarian LLP National Agency, the Tempus Public Foundation and the Hungarian Ministry of Education and Culture.

The Erasmus Coordinator of Corvinus University was awarded in 2007 as one of the **10 best Erasmus coordinators** in Hungary.

The Corvinus University of Budapest received the **European Quality Award** in 2005, granted by the Tempus Public Foundation, national agency for the Erasmus Programme.

■ CEEPUS

The Central European Exchange Program for University Studies (CEEPUS) is another exchange programme the Corvinus University of Budapest participates in. The CEEPUS programme promotes academic mobility in Central and Eastern Europe. The members include Albania, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovak Republic and Slovenia. Kosovo is also participating.

In the academic year 2008/2009 there were:

24 outgoing and

19 incoming CEEPUS students.





■ Overseas Programmes

Besides these exchange programmes, Corvinus University is also proud of having numerous bilateral agreements with highly acknowledged universities from the United States of America, Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia, New Zealand, Australia and South Africa.

In the academic year 2008/2009 there were:

66 outgoing and

89 incoming "bilateral exchange" students.

The international relations of the University are not limited to agreements promoting student and staff mobility: the departments also cooperate with several higher education institutions outside Hungary, with the aim of supporting common educational and research projects.

Erste Group Summer University Danubia

In 1995 the universities of economics of Vienna, Bratislava and Budapest launched a jointly-organised summer university named Erste Group Summer University Danubia. Since 2002 the University of Economics of Prague, the University of Zagreb, the University of Belgrade and the Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest have also joined the programme. The Vadym Hetman Kyiv National Economics University of Kiev is participating as well since 2008. The summer university is organised for the students, with the lecturers of the participating universities. The language of instruction is English and the locations are the capitals of the participating countries.

■ Erasmus International Placement Programme

The Corvinus University of Budapest sends about 60-70 students abroad within the Erasmus International Placement programme every year. The programme is coordinated by the International Office and the Career Office of Corvinus University. Among the destinations were Germany, the UK, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Romania, Slovenia, Turkey, Lichtenstein, Austria, France, Denmark in recent years, but students can choose from all countries of the EU and Turkey, Norway, Iceland and Lichtenstein.



■ The International Office

The International Office of Corvinus University facilitates the internationalisation at the University by taking care of various related activities, which could best be described by the words: initiation, coordination, support and representation. Most of these activities are in connection with student exchange and the partner agreements it is based on. Each semester, Corvinus University exchanges over 200 students with more than 300 partners.

The International Office...

- is responsible for signing international cooperation agreements and managing the partnerships;
- coordinates and supervises the exchange programmes, e.g. ERASMUS, CEEPUS and inter-university exchanges, including the supervision of the registration of incoming students and the selection of outgoing students;
- coordinates the so-called Tandem Programme (buddy programme);
- cooperates with the Student Associations (e.g. ESN Corvinus) in the arrangement of programmes for incoming students;
- gathers, processes and disseminates information on partner institutions, on their study programmes and on other study abroad possibilities;
- gathers students' study abroad reports to make them available for future candidates;
- organises the Erste Group Summer University Danubia (in international cooperation);
- maintains contact with the European Commission, the National Agency, the Hungarian Scholarship Board (MÖB) etc.;
- prepares (or assists the preparation of) promotional materials, study guides and other publications about the University for international students, current and prospective partners;
- arranges various tasks concerning the arrival of international visitors, academic staff and students;
- represents Corvinus University internationally at conferences, fairs or on other occasions.

In all the above activities the International Office, being a central administrative unit, works closely together with the other central administrative units, and especially with the faculties, which all have one or more international coordinators.

The International Office Team consists of five members, as shown in the following table. (For details of contact information, e.g. phone numbers see Useful Information.)

Team Member	Title and Responsibilities	E-Mail Address, Room, Office Hours
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Ms VAS, Erzsébet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutional ERASMUS Coordinator • Contact person for ERASMUS partners • Responsible for outgoing ERASMUS students 	erasmus@uni-corvinus.hu Room 203 Mon, Wed 9-12, Fri 9-11
Mr SZALAI, Gábor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Coordinator • Incoming students' registration system • Erste Group Summer University Danubia • CEEPUS and MÖB contacts 	gabor.szalai@uni-corvinus.hu Room 207 Mornings 9-12, Fri 9-11
Ms NAGY SZAKONYI, Dóra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overseas International Coordinator • Contact person for Overseas partners • Transcript of Records • Tandem Programme (FBA, FEC, FSS) 	dora.szakonyi@uni-corvinus.hu Room 205 Mornings 9-12, Fri 9-11
Mr HEGEDE, Szabolcs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erasmus Assistant • Erasmus Staff Mobility • Erasmus Internship 	szabolcs.hegede@uni-corvinus.hu Room 203 Mon, Wed 9-12, Fri 9-11



■ Becoming an Exchange Student at Corvinus University

Anyone interested in becoming an exchange student at Corvinus University should first contact the International Office or the Erasmus Office of their home university. These offices can provide them with information on the specific conditions for participation in the exchange programme (ERASMUS, CEEPUS, Bilateral exchange, CEMS, PIM, etc.) and whether their institution is involved in an exchange with Corvinus University.

The list of partner institutions can also be found on the website of Corvinus University (www.uni-corvinus.hu).

International students can also study at Corvinus University if they are state scholars nominated by the Hungarian Scholarship Board (www.scholarships.hu).

The Corvinus University of Budapest only accepts exchange students if they are sent by its partner institutions or through the Hungarian Scholarship Board.

It is possible to study at Corvinus University as a fee-paying student, too. More information can be found at the website.

■ Language Requirement

Corvinus University considers it very important that the good standard of teaching and learning should not be hindered by language problems. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that students only apply to study at Corvinus University if their command of the language of instruction is unquestionably enough for university studies. Corvinus University reserves the right to reject students who do not have the appropriate language level – even during their study semester.

■ The Application Process

1. The exchange coordinators of the partner institutions nominate the selected exchange students in the MOBility Manager online system (MOB) of Corvinus University, observing the deadlines and instructions received from the International Office.
2. Once nominated, the exchange students receive an e-mail containing instructions and the login information to the online system. They complete their registration (entering their personal data and selecting courses) in the online system by the given deadline (see table). The course registration works on a first come, first served basis, and it is optional for students who come for a study period of maximum 3 months (i.e. not for a whole semester). Students are invited to take courses from various faculties within Corvinus University.

NB.: It is important to respect the deadlines to ensure acceptance (see table).





■ Deadlines

Who?	What?	When?	
		For the fall semester and whole academic year	For the spring semester
Coordinators	Online nomination in MOB	May 25 (preferably April 30)	November 25 (preferably October 31)
Students	Online registration and course selection	May 31*	November 30*

(* These dates are preliminary ones. Exact dates will be indicated at the website in due course)

■ Information Letter and Letter of Acceptance

As soon as applications are processed, the International Office sends an information letter to the students with further practical information, along with a Letter of Acceptance, which may be necessary when applying for a 'visa for residence permit' or grants in the home country. The documents are generally posted to the home university coordinator.

■ Courses

The courses which are accessible at the university website (www.uni-corvinus.hu/eng → Exchange Programmes → Courses) are the only ones available for exchange students.

Students who would like to attend courses offered in Hungarian (other than language courses) should contact the programme coordinators at the International Office or the faculty coordinators to let them know about the subjects they are interested in. The courses offered in Hungarian can be found on the Hungarian website of Corvinus University (www.uni-corvinus.hu).

■ Withdrawal

Selected exchange students are requested to notify their home institution as well as the responsible coordinator at Corvinus University as soon as possible in case they cancel their exchange semester. The home university coordinators are kindly requested to delete the online (MOB) nomination of the students who have withdrawn.



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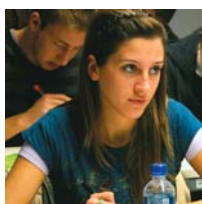


Faculties

Corvinus University welcomes all international students who seek top quality education in the field of economics, business administration, social sciences, landscape architecture, horticultural science or food science. Students are invited to choose courses offered by the faculties of Corvinus University in English and German. The classes are held by Hungarian and guest professors.

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Institute of Business Economics

Department of Business Studies
Department of Decision Sciences
Department of Logistics and Supply Chain Management



Institute for Business Law

Department of Business Law
Department of Financial Law



Institute for the Development of Enterprises

Department of Enterprise Finances
Department of Service Management
Department of Strategy and Project Management

Institute for Environmental Science

Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development
Department of Economic Geography
Department of Environmental Economics and Technology

Institute of Finance and Accounting

Department of Financial Accounting
Department of Finance
Department of Managerial Accounting
Department of Investments and Corporate Finance



Institute of Information Technology and Management

Department of Computer Science
Department of Information Systems

Institute of Management and Leadership

Department of Management Control
Department of Management and Organization
Department of Organizational Behaviour
Department of Strategy

Institute of Marketing and Media

Department of Marketing
Department of Marketing Research and Consumer Behaviour
Department of Media, Marketing Communications and Telecommunications

Educational Profile

The Faculty of Business Administration is the centre for education and research in financial management, management and organisation, business, information management, business ethics, environmental management and management practice. The high quality of education offered by the Faculty is guaranteed by the fact that each subject is taught by lecturers who are specialists in the given science or discipline, equipped with the necessary academic and practical knowledge. Teaching is carried out using textbooks written by the lecturers themselves, and is based on international experience, providing an appropriate balance of theoretical and practical knowledge. Students also have the opportunity to take up most of the subjects taught at the Faculty in foreign languages, English or German. A sign of the international recognition of the Faculty's educational and research activity was the fact that in November 1996 the University became a member of the CEMS (The Global Alliance in Management Education). We are the only educational institution in Hungary and the first in the Central and East European region to become a member of this organisation. Today, CEMS is the global league of leaders on the pre-experience Master's market and it cannot be equalled in terms of reputation of its members: 28 world-class academic institutions (24 full members and 4 associate members) collaborate together with more than 54 corporate partners to offer international, postgraduate students a unique blend of high quality education and professional experience. 40-45 students a year are given the opportunity to spend a semester at one of the most prestigious partner universities and besides their Hungarian diploma they can also obtain the highly-valued CEMS Master' Degree in International Management. The Faculty of Business Administration is also member of PIM, EDAMBA, EFMD and CEEMAN.



■ CEMS MIM – Community of European Management Schools – Master's in International Management

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Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (UB)

University of Cologne (UoC)

University of Economics, Prague (VSE)

University of St. Gallen (HSG)

University of Sydney (USYD)

Vienna University of Economics & Business (WU)

Warsaw School of Economics (SGH)

Corvinus University joined CEMS (The Global Alliance in Management Education) as full member in 1996. This way, the University is the member of a group of highly prestigious, internationally oriented management schools, each located in a different country.

The purpose of CEMS MIM is to provide its students with a management education programme that sets a Pan-European standard of excellence. Therefore to those who meet all the academic requirements of the programme, including completion of the special one-year programme, a semester abroad at one of

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the partner universities, an internship abroad – assistance provided by over 50 Corporate Partners – and proficiency in at least three European languages, the CEMS Master's Degree in International Management (CEMS MIM) will be awarded, in addition to the degree of the home institution. This degree programme is an opportunity for the students to bridge university education and internationally active corporations. It provides an arena where tomorrow's leaders will develop and learn the dynamism of business life.

CEMS MIM Eligibility

CEMS MIM students are admitted from the following Corvinus Master programmes:

From the Faculty of Business Administration:

MSc in Marketing

MSc in Regional and Environmental Economics (also in English)

MSc in Accounting

MSc in Entrepreneurship

MSc in Organisation and Management

MSc in Information Management (also in English)

From the Faculty of Economics:

MSc in Finance

MSc in International Economics and Management

This means that CEMS MIM degree is only awarded upon completion of one of above Master programmes.



The CEMS MIM One-Year Programme Ongoing Language Training and Skill Seminars

Blocked Seminars for 3 ECTS credits	CEMS courses for 30 ECTS credits	CEMS courses for 15 ECTS credits
	Skill sem. for 2 ECTS credits	Business Project 15 ECTS credits
From September to October	Term 1	Term 2
	Fall	Spring
Local Places	Home or Abroad	Home or Abroad
At any time during the graduate studies period: Internship and Language assessment		

CEMS week-long blocked seminars: an academic and culturally intensive experience is an ideal starter into the programme. Seminars are managed by interdisciplinary, inter-university teacher teams and provide an opportunity to debate and discuss innovative management topics from different cultural standpoints.

CEMS courses: Co-designed by professors and professionals, the courses focus on both theoretical knowledge and business related aptitudes indispensable to excel in business. Students are expected to take core and elective CEMS Courses.

Skill Seminars provide training in the practical skills essential to kick-start an effective professional career and fundamental to adjust easily to an international management environment.

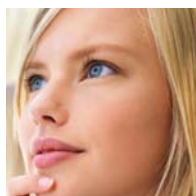
Business Projects: Based on consultancy-like project work students will be part of a team of international students to solve a real business problem. The project is overseen and tutored by a company and a professor in parallel. In 2007 Business Projects were offered by Coca-cola, McKinsey, MOL Hungarian Oil and Gas Company, KPMG, PWC and Procter & Gamble.

Language Training: Speaking the relevant foreign language is essential if managers are to work effectively abroad. The CEMS MIM is thus rigorous in its testing the language abilities. Corvinus provides a CEMS accredited language course in English, and a special CEMS preparatory language course in German language.

■ PhD Programme in Management and Business Administration in English

The PhD programme in Management and Business Administration aims to prepare students to carry out high quality research in management and business related areas. In order to achieve this goal PhD students take courses in research methodology and subject area topics. These courses are designed to inform students of the latest research in that area. During the seminars interactive discussions are held with active participation of students. Each course ends with an exam. After completing the course work PhD candidates go through a comprehensive rigorosum as part of the requirements for the doctoral degree.

PhD candidates need to demonstrate their ability to conduct high level research work. The dissertation has to include empirical research. The dissertation has to be defended in front of a committee during an open session.



■ International Study Programs

Management

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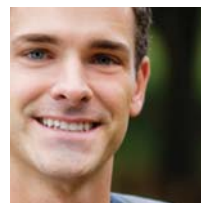
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The International Study Programs (ISP) Office was set up in 1990 to coordinate the university's English language Bachelor and Master programmes in business administration, economics and related fields. To ensure that students have a sound foundation for further studies, elective courses in methodology, languages, sociology, computer science, and economic law are also offered. Today, the ISP Office is part of the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) and is responsible not only for the Faculty's English language programmes, but also hosts the large number of exchange students coming to the FBA.

The ISP coordinated programmes are all taught fully in English and provide students with the possibility to learn in a truly international environment as each semester there are more than 500 students from over 40 countries studying in the various courses. In the past 18 years, over 349 students have obtained a Bachelor of Arts and 245 students a Master of Sciences diploma, 90% of them non-Hungarians. Altogether, the ISP has hosted over 6000 students from 85 countries during its close to 2 decade history.



Educational Profile

The Teaching System

The structure of the ISP coordinated programmes, the organisation of the courses and the assessment of the students' achievements in the various courses are fully in compliance with the Hungarian and international practice. All programmes and courses are offered on a credit-based system.

The ISP coordinates the following degree programmes:

- BA in Business and Management
(EFMD/EPAS accredited for 5 years from 2009 –
<http://www.efmd.org/index.php/component/efmd/?cmsid=050713ljen>)
- BA in International Business
- MSc in Business Information Systems
- European Master in Sustainable Regional Health Systems





- CEMS programme
- as well as a wide range of elective courses in the fields of business, economics, finance and social sciences.

International Relations

The ISP has bilateral agreements with a number of well-known American universities and educational organisations (e.g. University of New Hampshire, DePaul University, Michigan State University, CIEE), European (e.g. International School of Management Dortmund,) and Central American (ITESM – Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey) universities. In addition to the over 100 European exchange students coming through the Erasmus programme and as free-movers, the ISP also hosts a similar number of students from the United States and Mexico.

Regular students with good academic standing are urged to spend a semester abroad within or outside the frame of the Erasmus programme at any of the close to two-hundred partner universities of the Corvinus University of Budapest.

Career Opportunities

Students graduating from the ISP are highly valued in today's job markets, equipped as they are not only with high-quality, internationally accepted academic knowledge and personal experience in living and working in a truly multicultural environment, but also with the special advantage of an in-depth understanding of the processes going on in Hungary, Central Europe and the European Union.



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■ Deutschsprachiger Studiengang In Betriebswirtschaftslehre – Doppeldiplomprogramm (in Zusammenarbeit mit der Fakultät für Wirtschaftswissenschaften der Universität Passau)

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Der DSG ist Ergebnis der langjährigen Kooperation zwischen der Corvinus Universität, Budapest und der Universität Passau. Seit 1993 wird er maßgeblich vom Auswärtigen Amt der Bundesrepublik Deutschland über den Deutschen Akademischen Austauschdienst (DAAD) gefördert. Das Programm ist ein fester Bestandteil des Lehrangebots an der Corvinus Universität, Budapest. Ziel ist es, ungarischen Studierenden neben ihrem regulären Studium die Möglichkeit zu bieten, ihre betriebswirtschaftlichen Kenntnisse in deutscher Sprache zu vertiefen. Aufgrund des hohen Anklangs, den der DSG bei ungarischen und deutschen Unternehmen gefunden hat, können die Studierenden durch die Teilnahme am DSG zudem eine praxisrelevante Zusatzqualifikation erwerben. Der DSG richtete sich vorwiegend an Studierende der Corvinus Universität, Budapest. Ab 2001/2002 besteht die Möglichkeit auch für Austauschstudenten Fächer zu wählen und an den Lehrveranstaltungen teilzunehmen.

Die Lehrveranstaltungen finden ausschließlich in deutscher Sprache statt. Sie werden überwiegend von Budapester Dozenten gehalten. Daneben finden Blockveranstaltungen von Passauer Dozenten zu ausgewählten Vorlesungsteilen statt.

Der Studiengang bietet zur Zeit ein Programm für Bachelor Studenten an, das Programm umfasst die Pflichtfächer Allgemeine Betriebswirtschaftslehre, Allgemeine Volkswirtschaftslehre, Grundlagen von Marketing, Organisation und Investition und Finanzierung, sowie die Pflicht-Wahlfächer Betriebswirtschaftliche Entscheidungstheorie, Steuerlehre, Marktforschung, Kostenrechnung und Bilanzierung und Wirtschaftsinformatik.

Die Studieninhalte der Veranstaltungen werden von den Budapester Dozenten in Abstimmung mit dem jeweiligen Passauer Partnerlehrstuhl zusammengestellt und sind für jedes Fach in einer Literaturliste und/oder einem eigens erstellten Textbuch festgehalten. Darüber hinaus wurde eine Präsenzbibliothek eingerichtet, in der die unterrichtsrelevanten Literaturquellen zu finden sind. Die Leistungsnachweise, die Scheine können am Semesterende durch erfolgreiche Teilnahme an einer mindestens 90-minütigen Klausur, die von der Universität Passau mitgestaltet wird, erworben werden. Darüber hinaus können auf Wunsch des Kursleiters auch während des Semesters Prüfungsleistungen angesetzt werden (z.B. Hausarbeit), deren Ergebnis mit der Klausurnote verrechnet wird.



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- Department of Economic Decisions
- Department of Economic Policy
- Department of Monetary Finance
- Department of History of Economic Thought
- Department of Human Resources
- Department of Macroeconomics
- Department of Mathematical Economics and Economic Analyses
- Department of Mathematics
- Department of Microeconomics
- Department of Operations Research
- Department of Public Policy and Management
- Department of Statistics
- Department of World Economy

Educational Profile

The basic aim of the Faculty is to provide education and research in the field of Hungarian economic policies embedded in a global and European context. The Faculty's purpose is to provide our students and the professional sphere a comprehensive and detailed understanding of the Hungarian economy. After graduation, the students are equipped with the necessary knowledge to take an active role in the forming of economic policy at a global, a European and national levels. Due to its regional determinacy, one of the main assets of the Faculty is its firm commitment to a better perception of Central and Eastern Europe, with a special focus on the process of catching up, transformation and integration.

The guiding principle of the Faculty is to ensure quality training and research in the field of economic policy, with an emphasis on creating and further developing the curriculum and continuing the traditions of the methodologically demanding training of economists. The Faculty of Economics participates in the training of students from other faculties, is actively involved in the process of transmission and development of general theoretical, functional and methodological knowledge in the field of economics and is also engaged in proposing solutions to various economic and social phenomena. The Faculty offers a wide range of relevant topics in the fields of world economy, the European Community and the CEE region, thereby providing the necessary knowledge for those individuals who wish to embark on a career in international or domestic institutions of economic management or governmental agencies.

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■ IMESS

Through the Erasmus Mundus programme, the University College London (UCL the Co-ordinator) and the Charles University Prague, the Corvinus University of Budapest, the University of Helsinki, the Jagiellonian University Krakow and the University of Tartu (the Consortium), co-operate with the purpose to promote the international mobility of third-country and EU students and scholars in the frame of a new programme leading to EM International Master's Degree in Economy, State and Society with reference to Central and Eastern Europe (IMESS).

IMESS is a two-year programme leading to the award of a double degree. To achieve the IMESS double degree, candidates must complete both the programme of study at UCL (for 60 ECTS) and the programme of study at one of the other Consortium universities (for another 60 ECTS), as selected before the students enter the IMESS programme. The double degree is awarded together with a Consortium Diploma Supplement.

The language of instruction throughout the two years is English.

The programme provides scholarships for non-EU students worth 21 000 euro per year per student. Students coming to Hungary are able to apply for research grants as well.

The other available courses in English and German are not related to any programmes, so they are opened for all students. Attending one of these courses is a great chance to build international relationships and to discover new aspects and ideas.

More information is available at <http://economics.uni-corvinus.hu>



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Department of Brewing and Distilling
Department of Food Chemistry and Nutrition
Department of Food Economy
Department of Food Engineering
Department of Food Preservation
Department of Grain and Industrial Crop Technology
Department of Microbiology and Biotechnology
Department of Oenology
Department of Physical Administration
Department of Physics and Control
Department of Refrigeration and Livestock Processing
Technology
Postharvest Department

Exchange students are free to take courses from all the departments of the Faculty. There are no additional language requirements for exchange students, but it is highly recommended to consider that most of the courses are taught in Hungarian. The courses which are taught in English, German and French can be found on the website.

Educational Profile

Scientific and educational studies are covered by the 12 departments and the Pilot Plant of the Faculty. At present degrees are awarded at the levels of Food Technology Engineer (BSc) and Food Engineer (MSc).

The programme of Food Technology aims to train students to become experts who have multifunctional technical knowledge and practice of production, thereby enabling them to start new private enterprises and to solve production and management tasks.

The objective of the programme of Food Engineering is to teach the scientific principles and practice of food processing. The students learn biotechnology, preservation, packaging, food quality assurance, nutrition and environmental engineering systems. Furthermore, they are required to know and have real practice in planning and management.

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Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding
Department of Management and Marketing
Department of Mathematics and Informatics
Department of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants
Department of Plant Pathology
Department of Plant Physiology and Plant Biochemistry
Department of Pomology
Department of Soil Science and Water Management
Department of Vegetable and Mushroom Growing
Department of Viticulture

Outside of Campus:

Affiliated Department of Integrated Fruit Production
Ecological and Sustainable Production Systems and General Research Methodology
Department of Development and Production of Fruit and Ornamentals
Department of Stone Fruit Breeding
Department of Applied Plant biology and Organic Farming

Educational Profile

The history of the Faculty begins in 1853, when Dr. Ferenc Entz, a medical doctor, established the School for Practical Gardening. The school, which became famous, enjoyed the support of the government and in 1894 it was raised to the rank of Royal School of Horticulture, with three years of training. Since the 19th century, the level of training at the institution has been continuously developing, along with its structure and name.

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The aim of the education is to provide excellent theoretical and practical skills in sustainable horticulture, based on up-to-date research in natural sciences. Our graduates are specialists, familiar with integrated technologies, ecological approaches, and quality aspects. They are able to organise and lead the production of horticultural enterprises of different size and character, carry out developmental work, do the tasks of counsellors, engineers, organisers, and take part in research and education.

The area of specialisation are as follows: nature conservation, ecological farming, plant protection, farm management and marketing, ornamental plants, biotechnology, agricultural informatics, medicinal and aromatic plants, plant physiology, plant biotechnology, pomology, environmental management and rural development, soil science and agrochemistry, vegetable and mushroom production, viticulture.

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- Department of Garden Art
- Department of Landscape Technology and Garden Techniques
- Department of Landscape Planning and Regional Development
- Department of Landscape Protection and Reclamation
- Department of Garden and Open Space Design
- Department of Urban Planning and Design

Educational Profile

The faculty is the only place for landscape architecture training in Hungary.

The training has always followed the trends of the European development of this profession. The curricula have been updated several times, and we have introduced a new training structure and new courses. Besides Landscape Architecture a graduate programme was accredited in Urban Planning and the education of urban planning and design was started in 2003.



The school intends to train landscape architects, certified engineers, and specialised postgraduate engineers, and also masters (DLA) and doctors (PhD) in the field of landscape architecture and urban planning as well, under modern conditions. The multi-level education system was started by the accreditation and introduction of the graduate programme: Landscape Management and Construction (BSc) in 2006 and the Landscape Architect (MSc) programme in 2009. The programme of Urban Planning and Design (MSc) was also reformed.

The multi-disciplinary courses are designed to meet the varied needs of the modern landscape architecture profession. The degree programmes combine a wide range of competencies, the creative understanding of aesthetics and social sciences with the knowledge of ecological and technical sciences. Programmes ensure that students are prepared to work in these multidisciplinary professions by offering the knowledge of landscape theory, combined with the technical and scientific understanding required by these demanding careers.

Exchange students are free to take courses from all the departments of the Faculty of Landscape Architecture. There are no additional language requirements for exchange students, but it is highly recommended to consider that most of the courses are taught in Hungarian. The courses which are taught in English and German can be found on the website.



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Institutes

Institute for International Studies

Institute for Sociology and Social Policy

Institute for Political Science

Institute for Behavioural Sciences and Communication Theory

Educational Profile

The Faculty of Social Sciences provides a full-fledged study programme at all levels of education (BA, MA, PhD). The following **BA programmes** have been offered to students (in Hungarian): *BA in International Relations*, *BA in Social Sciences*, *BA in Sociology* (this is also available in English language), *BA in Political Science*, *BA in Communication and Media Studies*. Within the Hungarian BA programmes, several study courses are held in English and in other foreign languages.

Beginning with academic year 2008/2009 the Faculty has launched new **MA programmes** mainly in Hungarian: *MA in International Relations*, *MA in Political Science*, *MA in Sociology*. From 2009/2010 *MA in Communication and Media Studies* and *MA in Social Policy* are also available. Besides the Hungarian Masters the Faculty offers the following English language programmes: *MA in International Relations* (part-time and full-time), *Joint European Master in Comparative Local Development* (Erasmus Mundus project in cooperation with University of Trento, University of Ljubljana and University of Regensburg).



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The Faculty has three **doctoral schools/PhD programmes**: *Doctoral School of International Relations*, *Doctoral School of Political Science*, *Doctoral School of Sociology*.

Besides the four institutes the Faculty includes the *Centre for Foreign-Language Education and Research* serving the students of economics, business and social sciences and other organisational units, too. The educational profile is supplemented by research projects organised within the research centres of each of the institutes.

The Faculty is playing an ever more distinct role in the life of Corvinus University. Not only does it take part in the undergraduate training of economists, but it also offers an independent full degree training specialisation and a choice of graduate training courses for interested students.

In recent years, different forms of educational cooperation and student exchange have been established between the institutes of the Faculty and numerous foreign institutions.

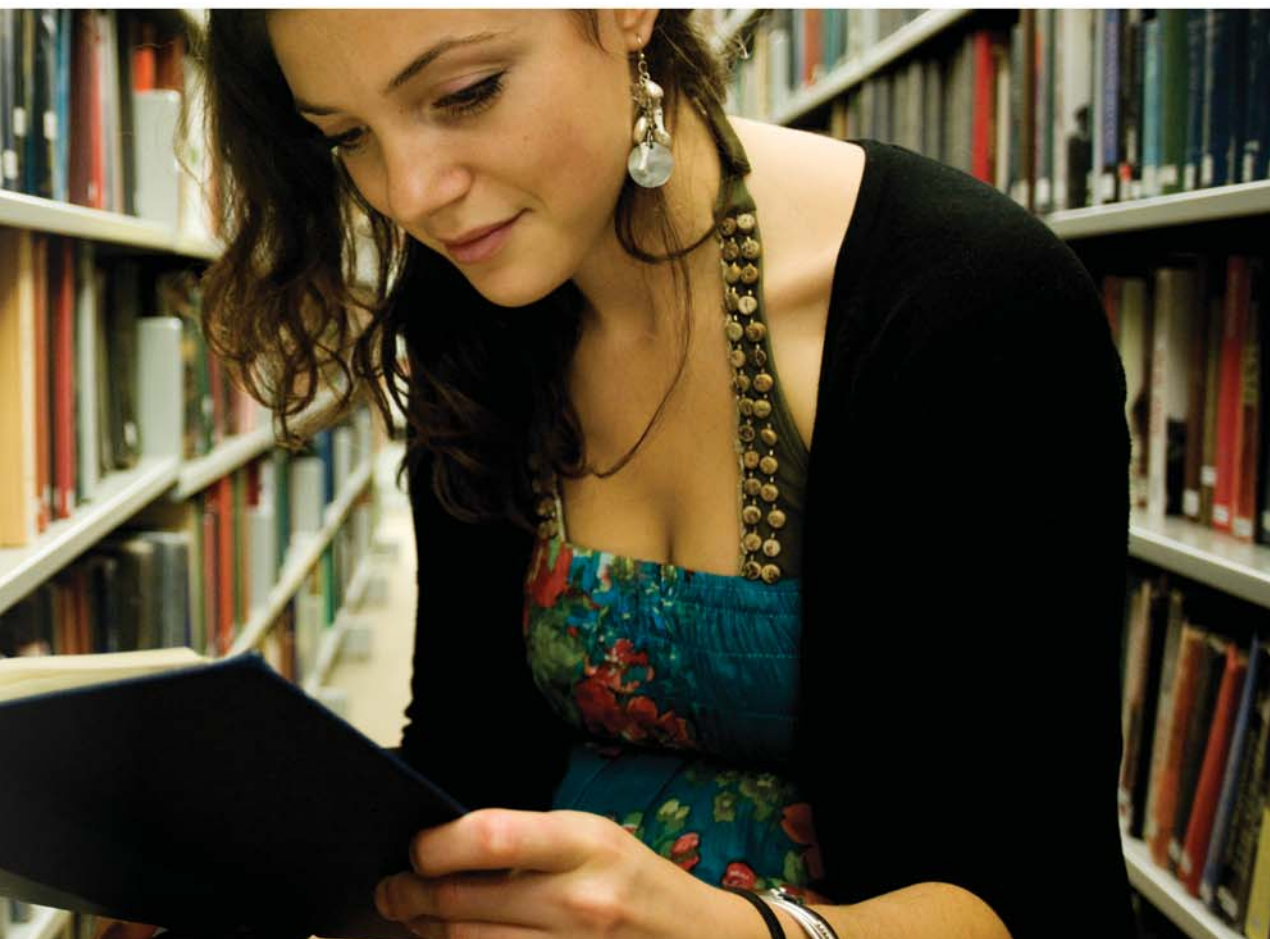
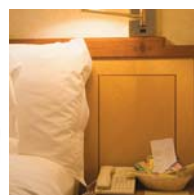
The Faculty of Social Sciences awaits primarily those students who – besides economic issues – are interested in diplomacy, foreign relations, the process of European integration, moreover the issues of Hungary's Euro-Atlantic integration, the political sphere, the social processes and problems, public-opinion poll, social security, applied social research and political science.

There are courses in different fields of social science (e.g. politics, sociology, international relations etc.) offered in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish. The Faculty also offers a Hungarian Culture and Language course. Exchange students can attend various language courses, which are offered by the Centre for Foreign-Language Education and Research.



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Life in Corvinus – Useful Information

■ Location of the University

Similar to Budapest, the Corvinus University of Budapest (CUB) is divided by the river Danube.

The Pest Campus – Fővám tér 8.

- Faculty of Economics (FEC)
- Faculty of Business Administration (FBA)
- Faculty of Social Sciences (FSS)



The Campus is located at the Pest bridgehead of the Liberty Bridge. The Neo Renaissance main building of the university – the former Customs House – was built in 1874. The Campus is in the heart of Budapest, the Fővám tér station of the metro line 4 is under construction right before the building. The metro line 3 is a 5 minute walk to the Kálvin tér.

There is a fascinating view from the building on the Gellért Hill, the Buda Castle, the Gellért Hotel and bath, the main building of Budapest University of Technology and Economics. The Market Hall – one of the most popular tourist attractions of Budapest – with delicious fruits, meats, foods is next to the Campus.



The Buda Campus – Villányi út 29-43.

- Faculty of Food Sciences (FFS)
- Faculty of Horticultural Sciences (FHS)
- Faculty of Landscape Architecture (FLA)

The Campus is situated at the foot of Gellért-Hill, an area surrounded by lots of trees. The Fenekeetlen Lake is very close to the campus.

The Public Administration Campus – Ménesi út 5.

- Faculty of Public Administration (FPA)

The Campus is located above the campus of Villányi út. It is also on Gellért-Hill, in a 5-10 minutes walking distance from Móricz Zsigmond körtér.



■ Arrival and First Steps

1. First (after having settled at a hostel or a rented apartment) students should visit the International Office, where they receive their information package with the essential and freshest details of their semester.
2. Second step is to visit the administrative unit (one of the faculties) the particular student belongs to (based on the information received at the International Office). This is where students enrol and get their student ID cards (See CONTACT PERSONS).
3. Students are strongly recommended to attend the orientation programmes advertised by the International Office.
4. The registration of the place of residence and/or residence permit matters (see LIVING IN BUDAPEST – VISA, RESIDENCE PERMIT) should be arranged with the help of the Hungarian Tandem partners (see TANDEM PROGRAMME). The instructions are given to students at the International Office upon arrival.

■ Student Id Card

Exchange students are provided with a student ID card with which they can have the same advantages as Hungarian students e.g. reduced fares for all public transport, reduced-price entrance tickets for museums. To obtain it, a small amount of money (approx. HUF 600) and two new passport photos are necessary.



■ Tandem Programme

The Tandem Programme is the Hungarian adaptation of other tutorial programmes, for instance, the so called “Buddy Network” in English speaking countries and the “Tandem Programme” in German speaking countries.

The first impressions and experiences are very important for somebody who arrives in a foreign country. The university would like to give assistance to its exchange students in finding a helping hand for the first days or weeks of their stay.

Students automatically receive Hungarian partner students, who contact them by e-mail and are ready to answer all the questions concerning life in Hungary, Budapest and the university. Students, who are going to study at the Buda Campus and CEMS students, should contact their Programme Coordinator with questions about the Tandem/Buddy Programme.

■ Orientation Programme

The orientation programme is for all the exchange students of Corvinus University. There will be informative presentations regarding various administrative and academic questions. Therefore, attendance on the orientation day is strongly recommended.

■ What to Bring

Exchange students are requested to take with them a few passport photos and the Letter of Acceptance received from the International Office of Corvinus University. In addition, for the Information Day (organised around the middle of each semester) students are kindly asked to bring some brochures, posters, etc. with themselves to be able to present their home institutions and persuade Hungarian students to spend an exchange semester there.



■ For Those at Home


Students are advised to keep the relatives at home informed about changes of their address or phone number in Hungary and to give them the contact details of the International Office of Corvinus University. The new contact details should also be registered at the International Office (and in the online system) once the students are in Budapest and have accommodation and new phone numbers.

■ Tuition Fee

Exchange students studying at the Corvinus University of Budapest within the international programmes e.g. ERASMUS, CEEPUS or on the basis of inter-university or interstate agreements will not be charged any tuition fee.

■ European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)

The European Community promotes inter-university cooperation as a means of improving the quality of education for the benefit of students and higher education institutions, and student mobility is a predominant element of that inter-university cooperation. The ERASMUS programme clearly demonstrates that studying abroad can be a particularly valuable experience as it is not only the best way to learn about other countries, ideas, languages and cultures; increasingly it is also an important element in academic and professional career development.



The recognition of studies and diplomas is a prerequisite for the creation of an open European area of education and training where students and teachers can move without obstacles. That is why the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) was established within the ERASMUS programme as a means of improving academic recognition for study abroad.

ECTS provides an instrument to create transparency, to build bridges between institutions and to widen the choices available to students. The system makes it easier for institutions to recognise the learning achievements of students through the use of commonly understood measurements – credits and grades – and it also provides a means to interpret national systems of higher education. The ECTS system is based on three core elements: information (on study programmes and student achievement), mutual agreement (between partner institutions and the student) and the use of ECTS credits (to indicate student workload).

Full academic recognition is a necessary condition for student mobility within the framework of the ERASMUS programme. Full academic recognition means that the study period abroad (including examinations or other forms of assessment) replaces a comparable period of study at the home university (including examinations or other forms of assessment), though the content of the agreed study programme may differ.

The use of ECTS is voluntary and is based on mutual trust and confidence in the academic performance of partner institutions. Each institution selects its own partners.

■ Main Components of ECTS

1. ECTS credits, which are numerical values allocated to course units to describe the student workload required to complete them. They reflect the quantity of work each course unit requires in relation to the total quantity of work necessary to complete a full year of academic study at the institution (that is, lectures, seminars, practical work, field work, private study and examinations or other assessment activities). ECTS is thus based on a full student workload and not limited to contact hours only. In ECTS, 60 credits represent the workload of an academic year of study, 30 credits are allotted for one semester and 20 credits for a trimester. Credits can be obtained by completing the courses in a satisfactory way. No ECTS credits are awarded if the performance is unsatisfactory.
2. The information package, which supplies written information to students and staff on institutions, departments/ faculties, the organisation and structure of studies and the course units.
3. The learning agreement, which covers the programme of study to be taken and the ECTS credits to be awarded for their satisfactory completion, committing both home and host institutions, as well as the student.
4. The transcript of records, which shows students' learning achievements in a way which is comprehensive, commonly understood and easily transferable from one institution to another.



■ ECTS Grades

The evaluation of a course is made by the grading system of the responsible university. In order to make the conversion into the grading system of the home country easier, a descriptive ECTS grading system was developed, which under no circumstances replaces the national grading system.

■ Grading System

Ects Grades at Corvinus University

Corvinus University Grading		Equivalent ECTS Grading
5	Excellent	A
5	Very Good	B
4	Good	C
3	Satisfactory	D
2	Sufficient	E
1	Fail – no credit	F
–	Withdrawn – no credit	W
–	Audit – no credit	Audit
–	No credit – no credit	N



■ Transcript of Records

The results each exchange student achieves at Corvinus University are summarised in a transcript after the study period. The original copy is sent to the International Relations Office or Erasmus Office of the sending institution soon after it is ready. Students may either ask for a photocopy at the faculty they belong to (in case they are still in Budapest at the time) or pick up the original at the home institution.

■ Social Programmes

The ESN Corvinus, in cooperation with the International Office of the University organises programmes for exchange students, e.g. Welcome, sightseeing in different parts of Budapest, one-day trips to historical places of Hungary, Information Day(s), Farewell Party, etc.

Information Day

Students have the possibility to present their home institutions by the help of brochures, posters, etc. brought with themselves. The event is organised around the middle of each semester for persuading Hungarian students to spend an exchange semester at their home institutions.

CEN

A small 3-day-long festival for CUB students is organised in the beginning of May, with a lot of cultural programmes and concerts. The festival is usually located on the Nehru part, which is a park next to the Campus.



Tug-of-War

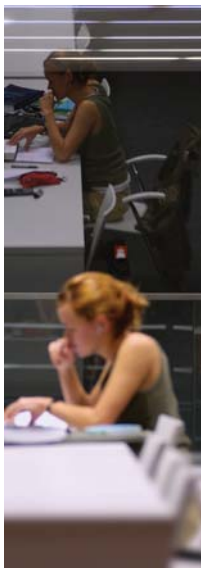
Two universities can be found on the two banks of the Danube. The Corvinus University of Budapest on the Pest side and the Budapest University of Technology and Economics on the Buda side. This implicates a funny rivalry, which culminates in the form of a huge tug-of-war contest on the Liberty Bridge.

Freshmen Ball

In the middle of November, the main building of the university transforms to a big cavalcade. The three floors of the main building provide several opportunities to have fun. The ground floor is the host of the concerts. You can find scenes on the other floors (cocktail bars, café, and tea-house).

Another facility to relax from the everyday stress is to go to a pub or a bar. The Ráday Street, with its numerous places provides a good facility for that.





■ Facilities and Services

■ Libraries

There are three main libraries. One of them belongs to the faculties of Economics, Business Administration and Social Sciences (Pest Campus) another one belongs to the faculties of Horticulture, Food Sciences and Landscape Architecture (Buda Campus) and the third one to the Faculty of Public Administration. Exchange students may use the libraries free of charge.

The library of Pest Campus collects and processes the documents of Hungarian and international scientific literature in the fields of economics, business and social sciences.

The library on the Buda Campus (1118 Budapest, Villányi út 35-43.) has over a half million books and nearly five hundred journals covering all food, horticulture and landscape disciplines. In addition, there are smaller libraries with subject-oriented publications at the individual departments.

■ Centre for Foreign-Language Education and Research

The Centre for Foreign-Language Education and Research of the Corvinus University of Budapest enables students to study various foreign languages, such as English, German, French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese, from beginner to advanced level. It is important to know that a minimum medium knowledge in Hungarian is compulsory, since the foreign language courses are taught in Hungarian. Exchange students may join any of the courses after having discussed their intention with the contact person of the Faculty of Social Sciences before the courses start.



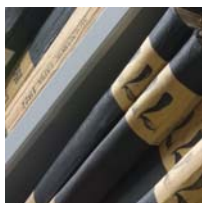
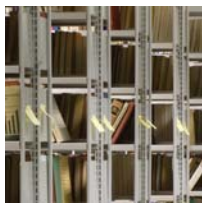
■ Computer Laboratories

Computer laboratories are available for exchange students, who are provided with user name and password when they enrol. All the computers have internet access.

Exchange students can access the wireless Internet and CorNet by using the VPN Connection. At present the wireless service is available in the "aula" (ground floor) and the corridors of the Main Building, as well as in the "aula" of the Salt House, the New Campus Building and in the Central Library.

■ Other Facilities

The student clubs, e.g. School Club (former Közgáz Pinceklub) and KEK are excellent places for having good time and meeting Hungarian and other foreign students.



■ Information Centre for Students

Kempelen Farkas Student Information and Resource Centre (Hungarian abbreviation: HIK) is a new institution of the Ministry of Education, a service centre for higher education. After paying a registration fee, they provide the following services for students, teachers of higher education and researchers.

- An ideal place to study in a modern environment;
- Internet access on 300 multimedia PCs;
- Library;
- Bookstore;
- Electronic Information Service (EISZ);
- Copy room (HUF 8/page for registered HIK members);
- Higher Educational Information Point (customer service on ground floor);
- Café.

For further information please visit: www.hik.hu

■ Contacting Other Exchange Students

Exchange students may contact each other even before arriving in Budapest. There will be an e-mail list for exchange students, which students may join if they wish to. An e-mail notification and instructions for usage will be sent to all the exchange students as soon as the list is created. The group members usually use this list to look for flat-mates and accommodation before arrival and to notify each other of social programmes during their stay.

■ Student Organisations

■ The Students' Council

The Students' Council (SC) is a special student organisation that represents interests at various university forums and provides students with services and programmes. Its members encompass all registered students of the University. Students exercise part of their rights granted in the Act on Higher Education through their yearly elected representatives, about 10-20 students each faculty. Their delegates take part in the decision making councils and committees at the faculty and at the university level. Students have a decisive voice in a large number of issues, including education and examination matters, teacher evaluation, use of the university building, etc. The organisation has an independent budget from the state subvention of the university. After covering operating and other costs, they distribute the remaining amount among student organisations in the



University. The SC regularly organises various programmes like Corvinus University Days, festivals, cultural and sport events.

Its office is located in Room 159 and is open for students to use the internet, print documents, learn about university news and programmes or meet their representatives to discuss problematic issues. Feel free to take a look at it!

■ AIESEC

AIESEC is the largest student organisation in the world, with a membership about 20,000 at more than 800 universities in 95 countries. AIESEC organises programmes of different kinds on various themes in economics for students of higher education. In their programmes special emphasis is placed on the development of personal skills and abilities, which is a supplement to the university education. Members are given a chance to learn what it is like to work in a team, planning and implementing programmes they have been dreaming about. More information at: <http://bce.aiesec.hu>
E-mail: application.aiesec.bce@gmail.com



■ AEGEE

AEGEE (Association des Etats Généraux des Etudiants de l'Europe), the European Students' Association, was established in Paris in 1985 and is currently the largest European student organisation. Its main activities include the organisation of conferences and seminars on topics affecting European students. They also organise bilateral student exchanges. Their Summer Universities (language course emphasising local and European cultures) in 110 European cities are the highlight of AEGEE's activity every year. AEGEE-Budapest is very active on both European and local level. More information at: <http://aegee.uni-corvinus.hu>
Office: room 146 on the 1st floor in the main building.
E-mail: aegee.budapest@gmail.com



■ IAESTE

The International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience was founded in 1948 at Imperial College, London. Imperial College Vacation Work Committee initiated a meeting with national organisations from 10 European countries in a post war effort to promote better understanding between countries and cultures. Since 1948, the association has grown to include more than 80 countries worldwide and has exchanged in excess of 300,000 students. This means that yearly IAESTE exchanges around 6000 students playing a key role in the development of technical

undergraduates, able to make their mark in a global economy. The IAESTE Association is a confederation of National Committees representing academic, industrial, and student interests. Each national committee is responsible for the administration of the exchange in its own country. There is an IAESTE branch functioning at the Faculty of Food Science. Contact: juhasz.boglarka@iaeste.hu

■ CEMS Club Budapest

CEMS Club Budapest is a community of CEMS students formed in 2000. The members of the club are all the CEMS students who have not graduated from CEMS. The purpose of the Club is to create a local community that organises professional and social events for foreign and local students, to promote our degree among companies and students and to keep in touch with foreign clubs.

For more information about the club or its events, please contact CEMS Club at: adam.bodoki@cemsmail.org

■ ESN Corvinus

This organisation was born 5 years ago at the name of Erasmus Working Group. In 2007, it joined an international student network, called the ESN, and changed its name to ESN Corvinus. ESN Corvinus makes and supervises all the programmes for the international students every semester. They are responsible for the Orientation Day, the Freshcamp, the XChange Megaparty, the Erasmus Info Day, the Farewell Dinner, sightseeing and cultural programmes, loads of parties, meetings, etc. The members of this organisation are about to make international students' stay in Budapest eventful and unforgettable.

Office: 1st floor, room 146.

E-mail: esn.corvinusbp@gmail.com

For more information about the ESN, please visit its website: www.esn.uni-corvinus.hu



Living in Budapest – Useful Information

■ Public Transport

■ How to get into the city from the airport?

There are several ways to get to the city centre from both terminals of the Ferihegy Airport. The easiest (and most expensive) solution is to choose the cab service.

Zóna taxi – <http://www.zonataxi.eu/en/tartalom/reptervaros/>
tariff to the city-centre: 5000 HUF (22 EUR)*

Airport Shuttle Bus

The Shuttle buses with their 9-14 passenger capacity collect passengers who have lodged geographically close to each other and ferry them to and from the airport. Consequently longer journey duration may be expected than with a taxi cab. The fee for shuttle bus service within the city limits of Budapest is HUF 2990/person/journey*.

Another, but longer solution, if you choose the public transport:

Bus + metro:

Take the bus number 200E from Ferihegy 1 or 2 to Kőbánya-Kispest metro station. From there take the metro 3 (blue line).

Bus + train

In case of arrival to Ferihegy 2, take the bus 200E to Ferihegy 1 train station. If you arrived to Ferihegy 1, the train station is in front of the terminal building. Take a train to "Nyugati pályaudvar".

■ Public transport in Budapest (BKV)

Budapest is a lucky town regarding the public transportation. Due to its developed public transport network, all parts of the city are easily accessible. More than 180 buses, 14 trolleys, 29 trams and 3 metro lines are at your command. The metro line 4 is under construction. The expected finish is the second half of 2011. Be aware of free-riding on the services, because there are several ticket controllers on the vehicles.



Ticket prices*:

Single ticket	HUF 300
Single ticket on night buses	HUF 400
10 pieces discount coupon book	HUF 2700
Budapest monthly pass for students	HUF 3700

More information about schedules and prices: <http://www.bkv.hu/english/>

■ Cab Services

Although, there are several “night” buses running throughout the city, it is advised to use a cab at night. From your mobile you have to call: 06-1-...(number)...

Here are the phone numbers of some of the cab service companies:

6x6 taxi	6-666-666
Tele5taxi	5-555-555
Citytaxi	2-111-111
Főtaxi	2-222-222
Rádó taxi	7-777-777
Quattrotaxi	3-319-999



*All the prices mentioned above are 2009 spring prices, they are subject to change!

■ Accommodation

It is suggested that students rent a flat or share a rented flat; this is what most international students do. The International Office makes every reasonable effort to provide assistance in finding the suitable accommodation. At the beginning of each semester a list of some real estate agencies is issued in the Information Letter, which may help the international students to find accommodation. Please note, however, that the University does not have an agreement with these agencies, so we cannot guarantee their prices, rental conditions, quality of cooperation etc. It is advisable to ask the Hungarian Tandem partner for help in finding accommodation. It is also recommended that students look for a place to stay for the first couple of days (temporary accommodation e.g. in a hostel) and see the rentable apartments for themselves. It is very important to read the rental agreement carefully before paying or signing anything!

Flat-4-Rent Accommodation Management (Mr. Szabolcs Kiss, Mobile Phone: + 36 20 929 0217, E-mail: flat4rent@reply.hu; homepage: www.flat4rent.uw.hu)

Lidar Ltd. (H-1055 Budapest, Szt. István krt. 11. Phone: + 36 1 354 1875, Mobile Phone: + 36 30 319 6719, E-mail: lidar@lidar.hu; homepage: www.lidar.hu)

Blue Line Immo Ltd. (H-1055 Budapest, Kossuth Lajos tér 9. I/1 (near the Parliament), Phone/Fax: +36 1 311 2136, E-mail: blueline@interware.hu; homepage: www.blueline.hu)

Campus International 1141 Budapest, Örs vezér út 25/b Fax: 361 422-0040, Phone: 361 478-0055 or 56, www.telestudy.eu, E-mail: sales@telestudy.net

■ Visa, Residence Permit

Information on the regulations concerning the visa and the residence permit can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Hungary (www.mfa.gov.hu) or at the diplomatic and consular missions of Hungary (see the Ministry website for the list). International students are highly recommended to consult the relevant authorities (and their websites) at least 2 months before the beginning of their studies.

Students from non-EEA countries (non-EEA nationals)


1. Application at home

Upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance from the Corvinus University of Budapest, students from non-EEA countries (non-EEA nationals) must hand in their demand on residence permit for the purpose of studies at the Hungarian Embassy in their home country. (It is very much recommended that all non-EEA citizens – even those who are eligible to enter Hungary without a visa for up to 90 days – apply for a visa for residence permit BEFORE coming to Hungary.) In case of successful application, the students obtain a visa – for the purpose of studies – authorising them to a single entry for receiving the residence permit and to stay for maximum 30 days in Hungary.

2. What to do in Hungary

The decision on the residence permit falls within the scope of the regional directorates of the Office of Immigration and Nationality. The students must visit the Office of Immigration and Nationality and obtain their residence permit within 30 days from the day of entry. All non-EEA nationals must, at all times during their stay and studies here, have a valid residence permit allowing them to study in Hungary. Those international students who are staying at Corvinus for a longer period of time – for more than one semester – are obliged to have the residence permit renewed before it expires. Please note that renewal of the residence permit must be started at least 30 days before it expires. The regulations for the registration of the place of residence and the residence permit can also be found on the website of the Office of Immigration and Nationality (www.bmbah.hu) and/or of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.





Students from EEA countries (EEA nationals) must obtain their certificate of registration at the regional directorate competent for the place of residence within 3 months from the day of entry.

All international students are also responsible for registering their housing address at the regional directorate competent for the place of residence. Each student will receive an “address ID card” which is obligatory for all people residing in Hungary. In general, all international students have to notify the authorities about their place of residence soon after arrival and within 3 days after any changes taking place.

■ Embassies and Consulates

The most up-to-date list of diplomatic and consular representations in Hungary can be found on the Website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (www.mfa.gov.hu/kum/en/bal/missions/missions_in_hungary).

■ Health Insurance

All international students are recommended to insure themselves in their home country. Valid health insurance for the duration of your stay in Hungary is obligatory (if your health insurance card does not specifically state that it is valid for EU member states or that is valid specifically for Hungary, please ask your insurance company to supply you with an official letter to this effect as the Hungarian Immigration Authorities may need this statement when you arrive to Budapest). NB: The health insurance must provide full coverage; emergency health insurance will not be accepted.



■ Cost of Living

Students need about EUR 450 – 750 per month to cover living expenses. Accommodation: about EUR 250 – 400 per month per person, depending on the size and location of the flat as well as on the number of students sharing it.

Living costs: about EUR 200 – 400 per month.
(food, transport, miscellaneous)

Academic related expenses: about EUR 50 – 100 per semester.
(student ID, books, photocopying, etc.)





■ Money Matters

Cash, travellers' cheques and Eurocheques can be changed at banks and travel offices. Post offices almost always change cash, but rarely cheques. Using private money-change bureaux can be convenient but expensive. Visa, MasterCard and American Express credit cards are widely accepted at stores, and there are numerous ATM machines where they can be used to withdraw cash.

■ National and Public Holidays – The University Is Closed

- New Year's Day (January 1)
- Memorial Day of the 1848 Revolution (March 15), National Holiday
- Easter (Sunday and Monday)
- Labour Day (May 1)
- Whit Monday
- St. Stephen's Day (August 20)
- Memorial Day of the 1956 Revolution (October 23)
- All Saint's Day (November 1)
- Christmas (December 25, 26)

■ Telephone

■ Emergency Numbers

All of the following numbers are free of charge and can be dialled from all public phones or mobile phone.

General emergency	112
Ambulance	104
Fire Department	105
Police	107

■ International Phone Calls

To make an international phone call, dial:

00 – country code – area code – local phone number.

■ Mobile/Cell phones*

There are 3 major companies, which provide mobile phone services.

T-Mobile – www.tmobile.hu

SIM card price: 3990 HUF

Available top up cards: 3500, 5000, 10 000 HUF

General tariff: 37 HUF/minute



Pannon – www.pannon.hu

For youngsters: Djuce – www.djuice.hu

SIM card price: 2600-3900 HUF

Available top up cards: 1000, 3500, 15000 HUF

Tariffs: 20-39 HUF/minute

Vodafone – www.vodafone.hu

SIM card price: 1680 HUF

Available top up cards: 3000, 7000 HUF

General tariff: 39 HUF/minute



*These are 2009 spring prices, they are subject to change!

■ Opening Hours

Banks

It may vary, but banks are usually open on weekdays between 8.30 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., except on Fridays, when they close at 12.00 a.m.

Post Offices are open from 8.00 a.m. till 6.00 p.m.

Pharmacies are open from 8.00 a.m. till 6.00 p.m.

Shops, Stores

On weekdays most of the stores are open from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. Grocery stores usually open earlier from 7.00 a.m. or 8.00 a.m. and close later. At the weekend most of the stores which are not located in shopping centres are just open during the morning hours of Saturday. Shopping malls offering multiple services are exceptions to these rules. There are several food stores that are open around the clock.

■ Climate



Hungary has a Continental climate, with hot summers with low overall humidity levels but frequent rain showers and frigid to cold snowy winters. Average annual temperature is 9.7 °C (49.5 °F). Temperature extremes are about 42 °C (110 °F) in the summer and –29 °C (–20 °F) in the winter. Average temperature in the summer is 27 to 35 °C (81 to 95 °F), and in the winter it is 0 to –15 °C (32 to 5 °F). The average yearly rainfall is approximately 600 millimetres (24 in). A small, southern region of the country near Pécs enjoys a reputation for a Mediterranean climate, but in reality it is only slightly warmer than the rest of the country and still receives snow during the winter.

■ Small Dictionary

Jó reggelt!	Good morning!
Jó napot!	Good afternoon!
Jó estét!	Good evening!
Köszönöm.	Thank you.
Egy jegyet kérnék.	A ticket please.
Egészségedre!	Cheers!
Elnézést!	Excuse me!
jó	good
rossz	bad





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