

Call for scholarship applications
Summer University: Hungarian language course – Hungarian studies

The Balassi Institute invites applications for a Hungarian State scholarship for its

SUMMER UNIVERSITY PROGRAM
(HUNGARIAN LANGUAGE – HUNGARIAN STUDIES).

The scholarship is intended for individuals of Hungarian descent living outside of Hungary (specifically: North-America, South-America, Australia, New Zealand), who wish to improve their command of Hungarian language and cultural identity.

The goal of the scholarship is to improve the Hungarian language skills and cultural knowledge of **young people of Hungarian origin who are citizens and residents of other countries**. The four-week long course takes place at the Balassi Institute in Budapest.

Young people of Hungarian descent, who are **18 years or older**, are invited to apply. Volunteer work, references from their University, and any other activities related to the Hungarian culture are taken into consideration in the selection of the applicants.

Description of the program:

During the four-week long program the students attend 100 Hungarian language classes, and they can participate in Hungarian studies lectures and extramural activities. Outside of class they will visit museums and will have various programs where they can gain experience regarding the Hungarian culture. At the end of the program they will take an oral and a written exam. Students can gain 10 ECTS credit points for Hungarian lessons and 10 more ECTS credit points for completing assignments in Hungarian studies.

For those students who wish to apply for credits at their Universities, the Balassi Institute provides detailed course descriptions.

Program duration: 4 weeks (18 July, 2011 – 12 August, 2011)

The scholarship includes:

- Tuition fee
- Course materials
- Student residence (2-3 persons per room)
- Three meals a day
- Pass for public transportation
- Attending the cultural programs in the afternoons
- Excursion to Western Hungary

Maximum number of scholarships that can be awarded: 10

Deadline for electronic application: 2 June 2011.

The applications will be evaluated by June 5, 2011, and applicants will be notified about the results within 3 days after that.

Decisions about the applications are made by the Board. All decisions are binding.

The Balassi Institute will not consider applications that are submitted after the deadline and/or are incorrect or incomplete, or illegible.

All applications are to be submitted electronically.

As the first step, please register on <http://kopi.martonaron.hu/registration>. Second step - fill in the online Summer University application form on the same website (Scholarships – Nyári Egyetem Tengerentúli pályázat / Summer University 2011).

We accept only electronic applications.

Documents to be uploaded:

- Handwritten résumé (.pdf)
- An essay of about 200 words about why you would like to study in Hungary and how will you use the knowledge in your home country you will gain here (.doc)
- Copy of your passport (.pdf)
- Copies of documents, certificates of your studies (.pdf)
- Reference letter from a volunteer organization or a recognized individual in .pdf format (not mandatory, but recommended)

The applicant is responsible for the following expenses:

- Travel to and from Hungary
- Visa fee
- 2000 HUF deposit for the entrance card and for the college (to be paid at enrollment)
- The fee of Health Insurance (the student has to cover the expenses of any medical treatment that might be necessary during his/her stay; as well as the student must arrange his/her Health Insurance)

The scholarship can only be granted on one occasion.

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All Hungarian speakers should fill in the form in Hungarian. Use the English form only in case you do not speak Hungarian.