

Stipendium Hungaricum Student Guide 2024-2025



Welcome to University of Nyíregyháza

The University of Nyíregyháza, as one of the outstanding universities in the area of universities of applied sciences in Hungary, does not only offer high-quality education and research but also a personal approach to students, a vibrant student life as well as an unparalleled infrastructure.

In the institutes of our university, future experts are educated in the areas of humanities, teacher training, social sciences, economics, art education, engineering, agricultural science, computer science, and natural and sports sciences.

University of Nyíregyháza provides our international students a package of all-around assistance related to their studies and later graduation.

We are happy to welcome you as one of our students !



How to get to University of Nyíregyháza?

From Budapest to Nyíregyháza by train

To travel from Budapest Airport (Liszt Ferenc International Airport) to Nyíregyháza by public transport, follow these steps:

1. ***From Budapest Airport to Kőbánya-Kispest Train Station*:**

Key stop of bus line 200E:

- **Kőbánya-Kispest M:** transfers to MÁV-Start trains towards Nyíregyháza

The 200E bus costs 450 HUF one way. Tickets can be purchased from BKK ticket machines (credit card is also accepted), at BKK points of sale or via the BudapestGO app.

2. ***From the train station to Nyíregyháza*:**

- At KÖKI terminal, you can buy an InterCity (IC) or regular train to Nyíregyháza. These trains are operated by MÁV-START, the Hungarian State Railways. Tickets can be purchased from the ticket machine on the platform.

- The train journey to Nyíregyháza typically takes about 3 hours. Tickets from 5.000 HUF one-way, plus seat reservation fee. We recommend to take the IC trains as they are faster and more comfortable than regular trains.

We do not recommend taking a taxi from Budapest to Nyíregyháza as it's very expensive!

By car-sharing

<https://www.motar.eu/>

A convenient and comfortable way to travel to Nyíregyháza. Cars typically leave from Budapest-Eastern Railway Station (Keleti pályaudvar) car park.

Airport transfer service

<https://www.civistranszfer.hu/en/services>

The most comfortable but expensive transport option to Nyíregyháza. Prices start from 25.000 HUF one-way

Please note that University of Nyíregyháza does not organize airport transfer or cover the cost of it.

Tips:

- **Plan Ahead:** Check the schedules for trains and buses in advance, especially if you're arriving late at night.
- **Currency:** The currency in Hungary is the Hungarian Forint (HUF). Make sure to have some local currency for small expenses.
- **Language:** While many Hungarians speak English, especially in larger cities and universities, it might be useful to know a few basic Hungarian phrases.

Travel

Where to look for the railway schedule

For example: from Budapest to Nyíregyháza or from Nyíregyháza to Budapest etc.:

<https://www.mavcsoport.hu/en>



Android application: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=hu.mavszk.vonatinfo&pcampaignid=web_share



iOS application: <https://apps.apple.com/hu/app/m%C3%A1v/id969467518>

From the train station to University of Nyíregyháza

Option 1 – Go to the bus stop at the opposite side of the railway station and take **Bus Line 8 or 8A** towards Sóstó

Bus ticket bought in advance from the ticket machine costs 350 HUF one-way (or 450 HUF one-way bought from the bus driver)

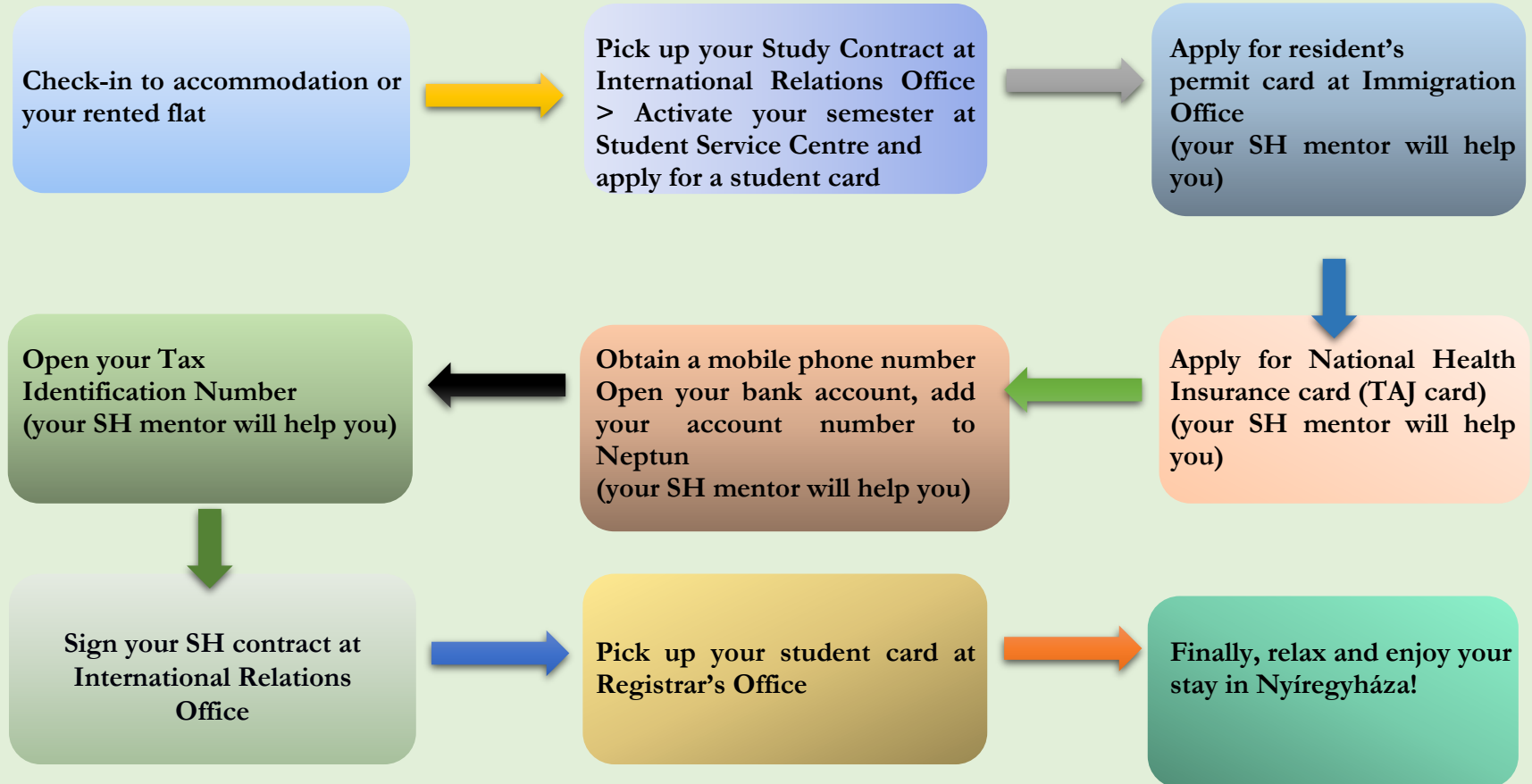
Get off at **„Stadion”** bus stop. You have to walk a few hundred meters down the street from there.

Please don't forget to validate your ticket on the bus!

Bus timetable: <https://nyiregyhaza.volanbusz.hu/hu/menetrendek/helyi-menetrendek>

Option 2 – Take a taxi to University of Nyíregyháza. Address: 4400 Nyíregyháza, Sóstói út 31/B (prices from 2000 HUF)

Upon your arrival to Nyíregyháza...



Semester Activation and Registration

Registration: At University of Nyíregyháza's Student Service Centre

Take the following documents with you:

- **Passport (original) + a photocopy**
- **A completed, signed and printed enrolment sheet**
- **Language exam certificate (original) and a certified translation in English or Hungarian – if available**
- **Training contract in 4 copies (3 in English and 1 in Hungarian)**
- **Original high school leaving certificate (or original higher education degree degree – depending on your current study programme's requirement) – in original language and in English + photocopies**
- **2 ID photo (3.5 x 4.5 cm) – with your name and date of birth written on the back of them**
- **Original Final Letter of Admission (Letter of Award) + a photocopy**

Without active student status you will not be able to start your studies and your life here in Nyíregyháza

You will need to request 4 copies of **STUDENT STATUS CERTIFICATE** for:

- Residence permit from the Immigration Office
- Medical Insurance card (TAJ card) from the „National Health Insurance Fund”
- Student Card from the Government Office
- Hungarian bank account from any bank's branch office in Hungary

Please, also keep in mind: if your current semester is not active you are not entitled to any of your SH allowances and you must leave Hungary in that semester!

Immigration Office (IO)

All non-EU citizens must check in at the IO within **30 days** after their arrival to Hungary.
Book an appointment and ask your mentor to take you to the Immigration and Asylum Office:

<http://www.bmbah.hu/index.php?lang=en>

Please take the following documents with you:

- 1.) Valid passport / national ID
- 2.) One passport-size photo
- 3.) Datasheet from their website ("Residence Permit for the Purpose of Studies" – filled in)
- 4.) Letter of Award (from **Tempus Public Foundation**)
- 5.) Student status certificate
- 6.) Dormitory contract or (if you live in a rented flat) lease agreement + a copy of ownership certificate from landlord

IO Address:

4400 Nyíregyháza,
Szent István u. 9.

IO opening hours:

Monday **10:00–15:00**

Tuesday **Closed**

Wednesday **10:00–15:00**

Thursday **Closed**

Friday **Closed**



Important: Please note that University of Nyíregyháza doesn't monitor the expiry date of your residence permit. It is your responsibility to renew your residence permit card in time!

Opening a Bank Account

In order to receive your monthly Stipendium Hungaricum allowances, you will need to open a Hungarian bank account at a larger bank available in Nyíregyháza.

We recommend OTP Bank's branch office in 4400 Nyíregyháza, Rákóczi u. 1.

- Ask your mentor to go with you and help you with translation if necessary.
- Take all personal documents with you including passport, student status certificate, residence permit, "address paper".
- After you have opened your new bank account, log in to Neptun and upload your Hungarian bank account number.

<https://www.otpbank.hu/portal/en/Retail/Account/ForintAccountPackages>



Application for National Health Insurance Card (TAJ)

WHERE?

Name: National Health Insurance Fund
Address: 4400 Nyíregyháza, Vörösmarty tér 7.
Phone number: +36 (42) 312 – 177

Opening hours:

Monday	08:00 – 16:00
Tuesday	08:00 – 13:00
Wednesday	08.00 – 13:00
Thursday	08.00 – 13:00
Friday	08.00 – 11:00

Documents necessary:

- **Passport**
- **Valid residence permit (card)**
- **Accommodation confirmation**
- **Letter of Award – your Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship certificate**
- **Student status certificate in Hungarian— from your institute’s registrar’s office, issued not more than 30 days prior to your application**

It takes approximately 3-4 weeks to issue your 'TAJ' card.



PLEASE, DO NOT FORGET TO RENEW YOUR CARD BEFORE IT EXPIRES

Application for Tax Identification Card

Request a TAX ID Number

The tax identification mark is required for all SH students, given that the university cannot transfer scholarships and housing allowances without this.

Documents to be submitted to claim the tax ID:

- **Passport**
- **Residence permit**
- **Accommodation application form (proof of address from the dormitory)**

Please note that the scholarship transfer is not possible unless your tax number is registered in Neptun

Name: **NAV Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg County Tax And Customs Directorate - Nyíregyháza Central Customer Service**

Address: 4400 Nyíregyháza - Central Customer Service, Szabadság tér 7-8.

Opening Hours:

Monday
08.30 – 18.00
Tuesday
08.30 – 12.00
Wednesday
08.30 – 18.00
Thursday
08.30 – 12.00
Friday
08.30 – 11.30



Medical Assistance

One of the benefits of the scholarship program is a full health insurance that covers all your medical expenses in Hungary. Please note that you still have to pay for medication that you buy in the pharmacy or for private health care services.

Dr. Gábor Gulyás General Practitioner at Campus Dormitory Building ground floor

Emergency And Outside The GP'S Opening Hours

WHERE?

András Jósa Hospital

Address: 4400 Nyíregyháza, Szent István u. 68.

Phone number: +36 42 599 - 700

Opening hours: 0-24



Pharmacy

Prescribed medicines can only be bought in pharmacies (Gyógyszertár or Patika in Hungarian). Pharmacies are usually open on weekdays from 08.00 to 18.00. Some pharmacies are also open on Saturdays until midday. Common painkillers, such as Paracetamol or Nurofen can be bought in drugstores (Rossmann, DM)

The nearest Pharmacy: Kamilla Patika (Nyíregyháza, Stadion u. 23.)



Dental Issues

No need to book an appointment in advance if you need to see your dentist within normal opening hours. Take your TAJ card and residence permit card with you.

WHERE?

Dr. Zsuzsanna Nagy dentist

Address: 4400 Nyíregyháza, Szent István u. 14.

Phone number: +36 42 249-916

Opening hours: Monday – Wednesday – Friday: 8.00 – 12.00

Tuesday – Thursday: 14.00 – 8.00



Basic dental treatments are free. Private clinics' fee may vary.

If you are in an emergency situation, call one of these numbers below

To call these numbers is free of charge

General emergency number:	112
Ambulance and emergency medical services:	104
Police:	107
Fire Department, rescue services, civil protection:	105
24-hour English-language crime hotline:	+36 1 438 8080



Your Monthly Stipendium Hungaricum Allowances

As a Stipendium Hungaricum student, you are entitled to receive the following benefits:

- **monthly scholarship (HUF 43.700 for BA/BSc and MA/MSc students)**
- **Free dormitory placement (but you also must pay a deposit of 35.000 HUF/ 100 EU)**
- OR Monthly housing support of HUF 40.000
- **Hungarian National Medical Insurance (TAJ card)**
- **Doctor's consultation in English**
- **GENERALI Insurance**



Because of the delay in the first payment of your monthly benefits, we recommend to prepare additional funds to cover your expenses, and buy a travel insurance for the first two months of your stay!

Neptun Electric Study System of University of Nyíregyháza

<https://neptunwebv1.nyf.hu/hallgatoi/login.aspx>

The NEPTUN is a national electronic administration system in Hungary for students enrolled to a university.

This is a huge electronic database, which contains the personal data and full academic study records of all students (registration, courses, exams, grades and credits), and it is also used for managing financial transactions for items which students are expected to pay to the university.

With Neptun students can:

- modify their personal data
- access information about courses, study requirements, exam dates and locations
- sign up for their courses
- sign up for their exams
- check their grades
- send and receive messages to and from lecturers and administrators etc.



Accommodation

- Dormitory placement is provided to first year students upon arrival
- You will need to fill in the **dormitory service contract** and comply with all house rules
- If you decide to move out from the dormitory, you will receive the monthly accommodation support (HUF 40.000) to rent a private apartment
- Renting a Flat in Nyíregyháza: Prices range between HUF 80.000 – 160.000 (+ utilities) for a furnished flat with central heating for one or two persons
- If you decide to move out from the dormitory you need to inform the dormitory management in a written form, in due time. Also you have to inform the Immigration Office about your new address within 3 days of moving out



Please note: University of Nyíregyháza does not hold any responsibilities of your choices whether you live in the dormitory or rent a flat.

Campus Dormitory

The CAMPUS STUDENT HOSTEL provides accommodation for students admitted to the University of Nyíregyháza as well as individual/group accommodation during the summer.

In addition, the following services are available to our students: food store, post office, 24-hour security, doctor's surgery, restaurant. In the basement of the building, there is a laundry and ironing room.

Sandra Youth Hostel

The hostel has 184 rooms with 2 beds, 8 rooms with 3 beds and 18 rooms with 2 beds. The mini garzons have a kitchenette and bathroom, while the standard rooms have a bathroom. All rooms are equipped with direct internet connection, telephone and cable TV.



Important

In case of any problems or disagreements, you must accept the decision of the dormitory manager.



➤ The dormitories accept male and both female students. **Genders are not mixed in the rooms**, but the common areas are mixed.

➤ **DORMITORY ALLOCATIONS ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE**



Mentor Network

SH students can turn to their mentors for help.

Mentors will be there for the students for the very first steps and beyond. During their life in Nyíregyháza mentors will support students in the following activities:

- arrange residence permit
- arrange Health Insurance and Tax Identification Number
- arrange Bank Account,
- arrange registration to NYE
- arrange student ID
- university administration,
- finding the best gyms, shops, restaurants, etc.

Each mentor participates in special training to be able to take care of SH students during their studies at University of Nyíregyháza.

Postal services



Magyar Posta (Hungarian Post) is the postal administration of Hungary.

Typically, you can post a letter in the post office or you can just throw it with valid stamps into a postbox in the street. You can easily find post offices in Nyíregyháza. The main post office is open Monday-Friday 8.00 – 18.00 and Saturday 8.00 – 12.00

Telephone services

The country code for Hungary is 36. Calls to international destinations are in the format 00 + country code + number. On mobile phones, + can be used instead of 00.

There are three main service providers in Hungary:

- T-mobile (or Telekom) (+36 30)
- Yettel (+36 20)
- Vodafone (+36 70)

There is no major difference in the mobile phone tariffs but it is worth to compare the rates.

<https://www.tarifaexpert.hu/>

You can also decide if you pre-pay for the phone or purchase a monthly payment.

Shopping

1. Grocery Shopping:

- **Supermarkets:**

- **Tesco, Spar, and Lidl:** These are the major supermarket chains in Nyíregyháza where you can find a wide range of groceries at reasonable prices.
- **Aldi and Penny Market:** These stores also offer good deals and are popular for budget shopping.

- **Local Markets:**

- **Nyíregyháza Central Market (Búza tér):** Visit the central market for fresh fruits, vegetables, meat, and local products. It's a great place to find fresh produce at good prices.

2. Shopping Centers and Malls:

- **Nyír Plaza:** A major shopping mall in Nyíregyháza with various clothing stores, electronics shops, and a food court. It's a convenient place for all-in-one shopping.
- **Korzó Nyíregyháza:** Another shopping mall that offers a variety of stores, including fashion, electronics, and home goods.

Most big stores are open from Monday to Saturday between 7.00-20.00 and on Sundays between 7.00-18.00. Small grocery shops and private businesses are open until 13.00 on Saturdays and closed on Sundays.

On public holidays all shops are closed.



Time Format In Hungary

A 24-hour time format is used in Hungary. 12.00 is always noon and 24.00 or 00.00 is always midnight. We don't use am or pm.

Being On Time

Time is an important and huge issue in Hungary and being late is unacceptable especially in the classroom. Please be careful and always be on time. Of course, you can be in the classroom some minutes earlier than the start of the class but never later than that.

How To Write An E-Mail And How To Address The Staff Of The University

Please always use the proper forms when you write a letter. Your letter should look something like this.

“Dear Madam/Sir/Ms Kóvács/Eszter/Professor/Coordinator etc. Here comes the information or question that you would like to share with the person.

Best regards, Here comes your official full name”

Please do not use the e-mail as if it was a chat line.

Waiting For An Answer For Your E-Mail

Once you sent an e-mail to a university staff member please give them time to get around and respond to your e-mail.

Always plan and think ahead.

Using Facebook As A Correspondence Platform With The University Staff

Please note that Facebook, Snapchat, Viber, WhatsApp etc. are not official platforms of communication with the university staff members if you need to contact them about an official request.

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*Enjoy your stay in Nyíregyháza &
at University of Nyíregyháza!!*

