



Corvinus University of Budapest
Budapesti Corvinus Egyetem

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM



Budapest Hungary

IN THE HEART OF EUROPE, Budapest is the perfect location for easy access to the rest of the European capitals, offering an exciting opportunity for students to discover other European cities on long weekends.

Located in Central-Europe, Budapest is a stunning city filled with a variety of activities for all interests; from discovering historical sites to visiting ruin pubs along the way, Budapest not only offers a cultural mosaic to all those who visit, but also a great culinary experience for food and wine connoisseurs.

As you immerse yourself within Hungarian culture and walk along the cobblestone streets, you will be dazzled by the diverse architecture and marvelous bridges for which Budapest is renowned. Taking a stroll along the Danube river, which separates Buda from Pest, historical sights will capture your eye every step.

It is no wonder that Budapest is known to be the “Paris of the East” as well as a hidden gem within Europe. Indeed you will find yourself not only mesmerized by the unique charm which this city holds, but also expand your knowledge of Hungary’s more than 1000 year old history which has shaped this country in the very heart of Europe.

We welcome you to explore Budapest and take part in an opportunity of a lifetime!

ÜDVÖZÖLJÜK! WELCOME!

CORVINUS UNIVERSITY TIMELINE

1853: The school for Practical gardening (1853-1860) was the first institution of horticultural professional training in Hungary. The school was founded and managed by the well known horticultural scholar and publicist Dr. Ferenc Entz (1805-1877).

1894: The school became a real higher education institution in 1894 as the Royal School of Horticulture.

1948: The modern economist training began during this year, when the Hungarian University of Economics was established as a separate Universitas.

1956: A defining personality of this era was Imre Nagy (1876-1958) lecturer of the university, martyred prime minister of Hungary, and a lecturer of agricultural politics (1948-55, 1956).

1968: Kálmán Szabó (1921-2007), rector and professor who not only was one of the developers of Hungarian economic reforms.

2000-2003: As a result of an integration process

going on during these years, the Budapest University of Economic Sciences and the College of Public Administration merged in 2000. The faculties of the former University of Horticulture and Food Industry as well as the traditions which go back one and a half centuries, joined the institution in September 2003.

2004: By virtue of the resolution adopted by the Hungarian Parliament, the University took on the name „Corvinus University of Budapest” as of September 1st of this year.

2008: 60th Anniversary of KÖZGÁZ. The name „KÖZGÁZ” is an abbreviation that the people have always used no matter what the official name of the University was. Over these 60 years KÖZGÁZ has always focused on the same disciplines in the same building in an unchanging academic atmosphere.

2012: By virtue of the resolution adopted by the Hungarian Parliament,

the Faculty of Public Administration became the part of the newly established National University of Public Administration.

2016: According to the decision of the Ministry of Human Capacities, three faculties of the Buda Campus: the Faculty of Horticulture, the Faculty of Food Science and the Faculty of Landscape Architecture and Urbanism joined the Szent István University, Gödöllő on the 1st of January 2016. Corvinus University of Budapest operates with 3 faculties from this year.

2019: From July, 2019 Maecenas Universitatis Corvini exercises the maintainer's rights of the Corvinus University of Budapest under the new governance model.

FACTS

11270
STUDENTS

1817
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS

3
DISCIPLINES

4
LANGUAGES OF
INSTRUCTION

WELCOME TO
CORVINUS
UNIVERSITY OF
BUDAPEST

EQUIS and **AMBA** accredited.
Member of the **CEMS Alliance**



National Rankings:

Best Business School
in Hungary

CEMS Master in International
Management (MIM) program -
top-ranked
by **Financial Times**

Eduniversal Ranking:

Best Business School
in Eastern Europe

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

CORVINUS's STUDY ABROAD Program's goal is to provide an opportunity to students to spend a semester or more in Budapest to further expand their international experience. The program works closely with 15 partner universities and education providers from the US and Germany to facilitate students to study at Corvinus. Ever since the first year of the program in 1990 hundreds of satisfied students have benefited from the academic excellence of Corvinus and also the unique experience of living and studying in Budapest.

Corvinus's dedicated Study Abroad coordinators and academic staff are there to support student success and academic progress. Their aim is to facilitate intercultural communication and understanding and to foster students in their personal and professional development.

Corvinus's international academic staff are specialists in the given discipline, equipped with the necessary academic and practical knowledge.



STUDY ABROAD

The Study Abroad team has achieved to spread the goodwill of Corvinus University and Budapest in several universities in the US, Mexico, and Germany and has also attracted more and more students to study with us throughout the years. Thanks to our successful partnerships hundreds of satisfied students have benefited from the academic excellence of Corvinus and also the unique experience of living and studying in Budapest. Main features of the Study Abroad program are:

-  **Travel hub of Central Europe**
-  **Housing within walking distance**
-  **Reasonable cost of living**
-  **Guidance & support throughout entire semester**
-  **Duration 12 weeks + 1 intensive week**
-  **Students & Profs from 30+ countries**
-  **International recognition & accreditations**

COURSES FOR STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Before the online course registration, you will receive the current semester's course description listing. You are able to select which courses you are interested in and which credits you can receive at your home university. With your Corvinus program coordinator's guidance, you will be able to complete the online registration.

YOU CAN CHOOSE FROM A WIDE RANGE

- ▶ Accounting
- ▶ Business
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ Information Technology
- ▶ Marketing
- ▶ Management
- ▶ Finance
- ▶ History
- ▶ Sociology
- ▶ International Economics
- ▶ Law
- ▶ Political Science
- ▶ Psychology
- ▶ Operations Management

OF DISCIPLINES

Corvinus University also offers a so called Intensive or Project Week for Study Abroad students. In these courses you have the possibility to register for an intensive week course where you will be able to complete a full 6 ECTS course within a week.

This will provide you with an added learning benefit and encourage you to engage in deeper and more meaningful and stimulating discussions with your classmates and professors.





WHY CORVINUS?

SHAPES YOUR CAREER

Alumni have expressed that their semester at Corvinus was an important topic in their job interviews. Your future employers will be interested to learn how you benefited from studying abroad, especially in Budapest which is considered by some as an unusual destination compared to London, Paris or Barcelona. Hence it is guaranteed that your study abroad experience will be perceived as a competitive advantage both because you studied at a prestigious university and also because of the diverse opportunities provided by Budapest's unique location.

QUALITY ACADEMICS

We put a particular emphasis on attracting outstanding academic staff from all around the world. Corvinus's academic staff consists of full time and guest professors.

The high quality of education offered by Corvinus 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.

CONVENIENT SCHEDULE

We know how important it is to have a convenient schedule which also gives you enough time every week to discover the beautiful sights of Hungary and its surroundings. We strive to offer wide variety of courses with many available time slots; this not only gives you the flexibility to explore and immerse yourself in Hungary's and Europe's culture, but it will also give you more time to concentrate on your studies if need be.

NEW SKILLS

The goals of Corvinus's professors is to challenge you, to make you think outside the box and support you in finding new ways to approach projects, problems and ideas that will later be useful in your professional and personal lives. Our professors are there to inspire you to expand your comfort zone and discover unexplored potentials of yourself. Intercultural communication is also facilitated within the class. Professors also encourage observation and exploration as well as team work with participants of different nationalities.

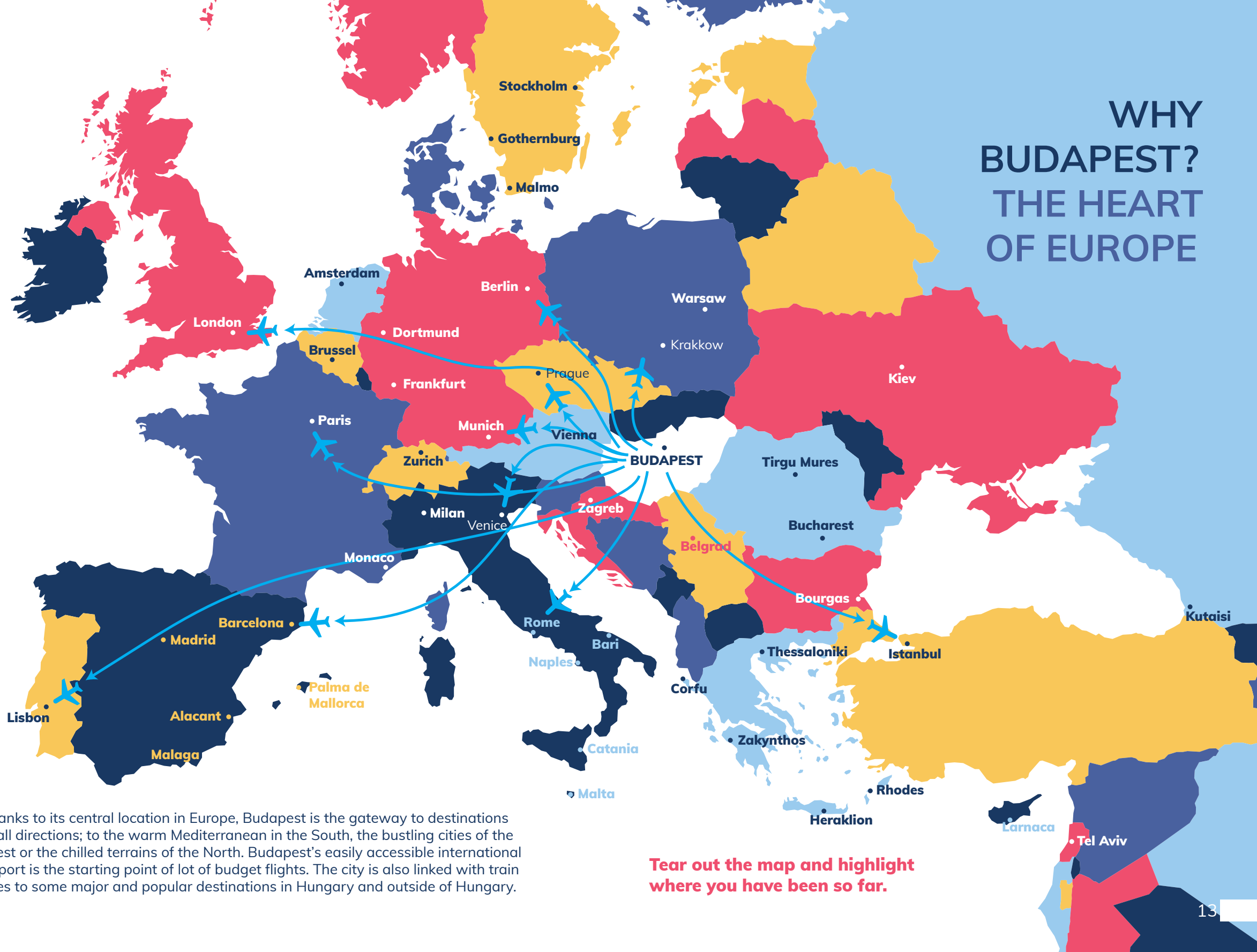
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BODY

At Corvinus, you have the possibility to study and interact with students from all around the world both during classroom activities, home projects and after school. It is one of the hidden added values of studying abroad; you have the possibility to experience and learn how other students from diverse cultural and academic backgrounds perceive a task, what their attitude and mentality are when they face a challenge. Apart from learning, it is also about sharing; through discussions and sharing ideas with your international classmates inside and outside of the classroom.

YOU BECOME A GLOBAL CITIZEN

Spending a semester abroad can have a great impact on your life, your attitude, how you look at things or what you think about the world in general. Living in another culture and interacting with students, professors and everyday people with different cultural backgrounds can open up your spectrum. At the end of your semester you'll better understand the world from a broader perspective, you'll gain an extensive knowledge of this part of the world and you will have made many local and international friends.

WHY BUDAPEST? THE HEART OF EUROPE



Thanks to its central location in Europe, Budapest is the gateway to destinations in all directions; to the warm Mediterranean in the South, the bustling cities of the West or the chilled terrains of the North. Budapest's easily accessible international airport is the starting point of lot of budget flights. The city is also linked with train lines to some major and popular destinations in Hungary and outside of Hungary.

**Tear out the map and highlight
where you have been so far.**



WHY BUDAPEST?

CITY OF HISTORY AND CULTURE

Listed as one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, Budapest's extensive World Heritage Sites include the banks of the Danube, the Buda Castle Quarter, Andrásy Avenue, Heroes' Square and the Millennium Underground Railway, which is the second oldest metro line in the world. It has around 80 geothermal springs, the world's largest thermal water cave system, the largest synagogue in Europe, and third largest Parliament building. These are just a couple of highlights about this wonderful and unique city.

AFFORDABLE CITY

Hungary has a pretty reasonable cost of living, making it a great destination for students on a tight budget. Just to give you couple of examples: public transportation, which is reliable, developed and extensive in Budapest, for students that costs only HUF 3 450 (approx. 13 USD) for a monthly student pass. A lunch meal can vary from 1200 HUF to 2500 HUF (4-8 USD.) A latte can be from 500 HUF -private coffee shops to 1000 HUF - coffee chains (1,5-3 USD).

CENTRAL LOCATION

Corvinus University is situated along the beautiful Danube river which makes it an ideal location for students to explore its surroundings. Not only is the University located in a stunning area, but it is also within walking distance to some of the city's loveliest streets, such as; the famous Vaci Street (pedestrian walking street of Budapest), Raday street (a top favorite amongst international students for trendy cafes and bagel shops), in addition to nearby charming neighborhoods.

GREAT STUDENT LIFE

Budapest's student life is really well-known. Several universities are located downtown making the center of the city feel like a bustling, big campus. During the day you'll enjoy studying at a quiet library, networking at a busy cafe or trying out a new eatery around the University. On warm days you will be able to enjoy the sun during a picnic with friends or sun-bathe on Margaret Island or at the City Park. During the whole academic year, the city center is pulsing with energy coming from students and young people.

MULTICULTURAL VIBE

Budapest over the years has become a very international city where you can meet people from all over the world, or even people from your own country or city. In Budapest many people speak English (or another European language) which makes it easy to get around. Hungarians also really appreciate if you know a couple of words in Hungarian; so we encourage you to learn a few words before you come here and take part in our Hungarian for Beginners class.

YOU'LL NEVER BE HUNGRY HERE!

Hungarian dishes are very rich in flavour and texture and are extremely delicious. Hungarians typically eat lots of meat and flavor their meals with red paprika. There are numerous restaurants in walking distance of the campus and the dorm, that offers hot meals for reasonable prices. Those who are not really keen on Hungarian food will be able to find a wide selection of international cuisine in Budapest let that be Indian, Italian, Turkish, Japanese or even Nepalese etc..

IT'S VERY EASY TO MEET PEOPLE AND IT SEEMS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FEEL LONELY IN BUDAPEST. YOU CAN EASILY MAKE FRIENDS AT THE UNI, AT ESN OR AT OTHER ORGANIZED EVENTS

TANDEM PROGRAM (ESN)

Corvinus has an additional student support system called the ESN Tandem Program. The goal of this program is to support international students in getting settled smoothly into their new student life in Budapest supported by a Hungarian Corvinus student. It is also a great and easy way to get to know a local even prior to your trip to Hungary. Just to give you a couple of examples on how Tandem Program could help: getting around campus, setting up mobile phones, how things work in Hungary in general, cultural events, safe areas, if you need something to be translated, etc. The program is also a great way to create lasting international friendships as many members keep in touch for years after their study abroad semester.

ESN

Erasmus Student Network (ESN)'s mission is to represent international students, thus providing opportunities for cultural understanding and self development under the principle of Students

Helping Students. ESN is a non-profit international student organization presented in more than 900 Higher Education Institutions from 40 countries. Internationally they have around 15,000 active members. At Corvinus Business School there is a very well operated and successful ESN team. Their main aim is to support the integration of the incoming international students under the principles of Students Helping Students. They organize lots of cultural and social events such as trips to various places within and outside of Hungary, sport tournaments, sightseeing tours, international dinners, parties etc.

© check out their website for more information: <http://corvinus.esn.hu/>



TANDEM AND ESN

© ask your peer what his/her favorite places are in Budapest once you are here

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU ARRIVE!

YOU'VE FINALLY ARRIVED. NOW, IT'S TIME TO GET YOURSELF INFORMED ON ALL THE IMPORTANT DETAILS OF YOUR STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM.

- ▶ ORIENTATION
- ▶ ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
- ▶ ACCOMMODATION
- ▶ EMERGENCY CONTACTS
- ▶ RESIDENCE PERMITS



▶ A week before the first day of classes you will be invited to participate in our orientation week. During the first study abroad session (called: Welcome session) you will be able to pick up your Welcome Package containing important information and receive information on your residence permit, Student ID, Corvinus Wifi etc.. In order to get a clear picture of what will be happening during the semester you will need to participate in the Study Abroad Orientation and our Cultural Orientation where the essentials will be explained.

▶ The add/drop period during the first 2 weeks enables you to modify your course registration based on visiting classes and learning the requirements. Once you have finalized your decision, you will sign a course confirmation sheet.

▶ Your Study Abroad Coordinator is ready to support you and help you benefit from your academic experience. Additionally, your Coordinator can provide you information on housing, healthcare, residence permit, travel bargains, and many more

▶ At the end of the semester after you completed all your courses your Study Abroad Coordinator will send your transcript to your home university.

LET'S HELP

Corvinus also places a strong emphasis on helping others. Students often end up buying lots of souvenirs but travel home with limited luggage space. If you have clothes, shoes, or books you don't need any more, you can leave them with us. A charity will pick these items up and give them to those whose needs are the greatest.

TESTIMONIALS FROM INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



".....My favorite classes at the university were Eva Kiss's film and history class and the city of Budapest tourism class. These classes were amazing because I would never have the same respect for Hungarian culture without the excellent tour guides and Eva explaining what was so important and culturally defining about each film and sight we saw. Finally, my favorite activities in Budapest included attending multiple Ferencváros and Hungarian National Team football games and going to the bath houses on an almost daily basis to relax....."

Noah, Indiana University,
Fall 2018

".... Every part of my study abroad was amazing but the days that we were able to explore parts of Budapest were the ones I enjoyed the most because they allowed me to learn so much about the area I was living in. Whether it was visiting the thermal baths after class, playing soccer in Buda, or attending a ballet in Pest, I began to feel like I was truly part of the city. During my semester at Corvinus, I discovered a new passion for travel abroad and I developed a sense of confidence that I had been lacking before....."

Allison, Michigan State University,
Spring 2019



"..... The city is easily accessible through public transportation, it's inexpensive, and flights to other countries were convenient. My Hungarian student ambassador became one of my good friends during the semester, and she took me to visit her parents in their home in a village outside of Budapest. I felt so immersed in Hungarian culture and that one experience made me so grateful that I chose Budapest to study abroad. She and I still keep in touch today!"

Emily, Indiana University,
Spring 2019

"..... I loved learning about Hungary through the eyes of my Hungarian friends and professors - topics like communism, globalism, Hungarian film making, the language itself, and the list goes on. Plus, it felt like a home away from home because the program staff and residents at the dorm worked so hard to provide engaging community building events and showing us the lifestyle of a Hungarian student. Budapest was the perfect center point of Eastern European history packaged in a city of rolling hills, ruin bars, and plenty of goulash.....!"

Fiona, DePaul University,
Fall 2018



TOP TEN THINGS YOU WILL LEARN WHILE STUDYING ABROAD

1 YOU WILL GAIN INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2 LEARN HOW TO PRONOUNCE EGÉSZSÉGEDRE (BLESS YOU/CHEERS!)

3 CELEBRATE YOUR NAME DAY!

4 DISCOVER HUNGARIAN CUISINE AND TRY WHITE PAPRIKA PEPPERS!

5 OPEN YOUR MIND TO NEW WAYS OF LEARNING

6 GREET YOUR FELLOW HUNGARIANS ON BOTH CHEEKS

7 INCREASE YOUR INTERNATIONAL JOB PROSPECTS

8 DEVELOP A GLOBAL MINDSET

9 TRAVEL AND EXPLORE SURROUNDING AREAS IN EUROPE

10 SEE YOUR OWN CULTURE THROUGH NEW LENS



HUNGARIAN SURVIVAL GUIDE!

ESSENTIAL PHRASES

Hello: Szia, Szevasz

Formal hello: Csókolom

Good day: Jó napot

Good evening: Jó estét

Good night: Jó éjszakát

Thank you very much:
Köszönöm szépen/Köszi

I'm sorry: Sajnálom

I don't speak Hungarian:
Nem beszlek magyarul

WHAT TO EAT

Gulyás leves, palacsinta, kürtös kalács, lángos

CELEBRATE YOUR NAMEDAY!

Hungarians not only have a birthday, but namedays as well. While birthdays are usually celebrated just in the immediate family, name days are widely known and celebrated. People usually give flowers, dessert, or a small gift.



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