

Call for application

Stipendium Hungaricum and Diaspora Scholarship Programme

Student Excellence Award

2026

Based on point III.1.5. of the Stipendium Hungaricum Programme (SH) Operational Regulations and point IV.1.5. of the Diaspora Scholarship Programme (DSP) Operational Regulations set by the Tempus Public Foundation (TPF) and in accordance with Student Requirements Part 4: the Regulation on Student Fees and Benefits (hereinafter referred to as the "RSFB") 7 § 3.d) point the Corvinus University of Budapest (Corvinus) hereby announces the call for application for *Stipendium Hungaricum and Diaspora Scholarship Programme Student Excellence Award 2026*.

1. Purpose of the call

The aim of the Stipendium Hungaricum (SH) and Diaspora Higher Education Scholarship Programme (DSP) Student Excellence Award is to recognise and reward the most outstanding SH and DSP scholarship holders for their academic excellence, community engagement, and active promotion of Hungarian culture and the scholarship programmes.

2. Classification and type of the call, eligible activities

This is a student excellence recognition call for application for full-time bachelor, master and one-tier master level SH and DSP scholarship holders at Corvinus University of Budapest.

One bachelor and **one** master or one-tier master level student will be awarded within the SH programme at Corvinus, and **one** bachelor or master or one-tier master level student will be awarded within the DSP programme at Corvinus. Awarded students will be required to:

Participate in the promotion of the SH/DSP programmes and attend the Welcome Event for SH incoming students in October / Christmas Party for DSP incoming students in December organized by TPF.

3. Eligible applicants

Applicants must:

- be enrolled as active, full-time bachelor, master or one-tier master SH / DSP students at Corvinus;
- have fulfilled Hungarian language course obligations (if applicable);
- be ranked in the top 10% based on cumulative adjusted credit index within their study programme in the academic year 2025 / 2026;
- agree to meet the expectations for the promotion of the programme and its results;
- submit a motivation letter in line with the content requirement criteria.

4. Conditions for participation

- Submission of a complete application by the deadline (see Section 5);
- Consent to take part in SH/DSP promotional activities initiated by TPF (e.g. a written interview, a photo shoot, record a video message).

5. List of documents to be submitted

a) Mandatory

- Motivation Letter describing the scholarship holder and their relationship with SH/DSP, and the impact of the scholarship on their professional and personal career (min. 1000 – max. 3000 characters, scanned and signed by the student electronically or with blue ink)

Content requirement criteria:

- personal introduction
- explain the way the scholarship programme affects their personal and professional life
- detail their relationship with the scholarship programme

b) Optional

- Recommendation Letter from a professor (signed or official e-mail, PDF format)

Content suggestion:

- Which course is the professor responsible for in connection with the applicant?
- How could the professor describe the student's personality, behaviour, and class participation?
- Why does the professor recommend the student for the SH/DSP Excellence Award?
- Certificate of active community involvement - signed by the head, president or a designated member of a student organization accredited by the CORVINUS Students' Union.
- Participation in domestic and international academic competitions, domestic and international publishing activities, and participation in international music competitions

6. Deadline, place and method of submission

The application request can be submitted in the Neptun Unified Educational System (Neptun) **from 10:00 a.m. on 7th July until 10:00 a.m. on 21st July 2026.**

The *Stipendium Hungaricum and Diaspora Scholarship Programme Student Excellence Award 2026* request is available under the "Administration" menu point and "Requests" submenu point by clicking on the "Request Fill" button, and filling out the data, accepting the mandatory statements, uploading the documents specified in Sections 5 and 8, and submitting the application by the deadline.

The above deadline is of peremptory nature, applications submitted late or incomplete will not be taken into consideration during the evaluation. It is not possible to correct deficiencies or submit an application for justification.

7. Financial conditions

Awarded students will receive a one-time financial allowance of 93.600 HUF in addition to the living allowance (*to be transferred following attendance at the Welcome Event / Christmas Party organised by the Tempus Public Foundation (in October 2026 for SH, in December 2026 for DSP students).*

8. Evaluation

The following point-based evaluation system will be used to assess applications. Only complete applications meeting eligibility requirements will be evaluated.

Evaluation Criteria	Points	Method of verification
Academic achievement (cumulative adjusted credit index in top 10% or above study programme average) in the academic year 2025/2026 * see table below	70 maximum	Neptun
Recommendation Letter from a professor (quality and relevance)	5	
Active participation in SH/DSP community-building, volunteering or promotion (e.g. ambassador roles, events, pre-alumni, HÖÖK mentoring, HÖK Advisory Board)	5	certificate issued by the head, president or designated member of the organization
Active participation in international academic competition	10	certificate issued by the organizer
Active participation in national academic competition 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd place	5	certificate issued by the organizer
Participation in national / international sport competition 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd place	5	certificate issued by the Head of Corvinus Centre for Physical Education and Sports
Total	100	

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Academic performance	points	Academic performance	points
7,00 -	70	4,76 – 4,78	57
6,00 – 6,99	68	4,73 – 4,75	56
5,00 – 5,99	65	4,70 – 4,72	55
4,98 – 4,99	64	4,64 – 4,69	54
4,95 – 4,97	63	4,64 – 4,66	53
4,92 – 4,94	62	4,60 – 4,63	52
4,89 – 4,91	61	4,57 – 4,59	51
4,85 – 4,88	60	4,54 – 4,56	50
4,82 – 4,84	59	4,51 – 4,53	49
4,79 – 4,81	58	4,48 – 4,50	48

Applicants will be ranked according to the total number of points awarded based on the evaluation criteria above.

In the event of a tie, the title shall be awarded to the candidate with the higher cumulative adjusted credit index.

Application will be rejected without merit assessment if the student:

- is not eligible to apply under the criteria set in point 3 ;
- has not uploaded the mandatory document indicated as a condition for submission of the

application or has not attached it in accordance with the content or form of the application. It is the student's responsibility to check that the uploaded document is not damaged and can be opened.

The Study Administration assesses that the submitted applications meet the conditions set out in the present call for applications and scores the applications.

The Director of International Mobility Programmes makes the decision on the applicants who will be nominated to TPF within 30 days of the closing date of this call for applications.

Students will receive an official notification of the above mentioned nomination result in the Neptun within 2 weeks after the decision is made.

The final decision on the Excellence Award will be made by TPF.

9. Legal remedies

Applicants have the right to appeal against the decision of the Director of International Mobility Programmes within 15 days from the date of notification or, failing that, from the date of knowledge of the decision, pursuant to Articles 57-58 of Act CCIV of 2011 on National Higher Education. The appeal must be submitted to the Student Appeals Committee in the Neptun Unified Study System.

The Student Appeals Committee will decide on the appeal in accordance with the procedure set out in the Rules for the Examination of Applications at First Instance and Appeals in Relation to Student Status (hereinafter referred to as the "Rules of Procedure").

The time limit is thirty (30) days, excluding the periods provided for in paragraph 15(3) of the RSFB, in particular the period, when the administration of the case is suspended at university level (i.e. the period of university closure).

10. Further Information

This call is published on the University's official website.

For further inquiries, contact: Do It Online!

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