

STIPENDIUM HUNGARICUM SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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01	<p data-bbox="240 304 635 398">What is the eligibility criteria for Stipendium Hungaricum Programme?</p> <p data-bbox="240 439 619 465">#eligibilitycriteria #hungaricum</p>	<ul data-bbox="730 304 1487 2112" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="730 304 1331 331">➤ Applicant must be a citizen of Pakistan/AJ&K.<li data-bbox="730 338 1449 633">➤ For Bachelor's (Undergraduate Programs) and One-Tier Master's degree programs i.e. DVM, DPharm, Medicine/Dentistry etc., the applicant must have completed HSSC/Intermediate or equivalent before August 01, 2025. Result awaiting candidate can also apply. It is mandatory for the perspective candidates to submit final mark sheets/degrees and transcripts on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ portal before August 01, 2025.<li data-bbox="730 640 1481 835">➤ For Master's (Postgraduate Programs), applicant must have completed 16 years Bachelors/or equivalent degree before August 01, 2025. Result awaiting candidate can also apply. Perspective candidates are required to submit final degrees and transcripts on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ portal before August 01, 2025.<li data-bbox="730 842 1487 1037">➤ For PhD Programs, applicant must have completed Masters/MS/MPhil degree/or equivalent before August 01, 2025. Result awaiting candidate can also apply. Perspective candidates are required to submit final degrees and transcripts on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ portal before August 01, 2025.<li data-bbox="730 1043 1487 1137">➤ Applicant must fill all fields of the Hungary application form and HEC application form and no column or field should be left unfilled.<li data-bbox="730 1144 1487 1373">➤ Attestation of educational documents are not required at the initial stage of the process. After the applicant has been nominated, certificates/transcripts/degrees to be attached must be attested by the attesting authorities such as IBCC and HEC. Equivalence of O & A level from IBCC is mandatory for Bachelor's (Undergraduate Programs) and One-Tier Master's degree (OTM).<li data-bbox="730 1379 1487 1507">➤ Some Hungarian universities may require IELTS/TOEFL scores, whereas most of the institutions require English proficiency certificate for the admissions (attained from your respected collage or universities).<li data-bbox="730 1514 1487 1742">➤ All awarded applicants must submit medical certificate (issued not earlier than November 01, 2024) of satisfactory health condition (a written certificate from a physician to prove that the applicant does not have the following illnesses: AIDS, Hepatitis A, B, C or any other epidemic conditions, attachment of the medical certificate can be obtained from the TPF application website)<li data-bbox="730 1749 1487 2011">➤ In case of final selection, applicants will have to submit a bond on legal paper to HEC that he/she will not change discipline after final award of scholarship, and immediately after completion of his/her degree, he/she will return back to Pakistan to serve the country for a period as prescribed by the HEC. In case of failure to do so, HEC reserves the right to recover from candidate or his/her guarantor, a penalty amount as prescribed/decided by the HEC.<li data-bbox="730 2018 1487 2112">➤ Applicants must fulfill all other requirements set by host Hungarian university/Tempus Public Foundation/Higher Education Commission of Pakistan.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All applicants are required to provide HAT or USAT test scores. Applicant must have obtained a minimum score of 50% out of total marks in HAT or USAT test. The test validity for HAT is 02 years and USAT is 01 year. For this scholarship, applicant must have already obtained a valid HAT (score obtained on or after January 15, 2023) or USAT score (score obtained on or after January 15, 2024). ➤ Without providing a minimum HAT or USAT test score (minimum score of 50% out of total marks), applications will not be considered for further process. Those interested applicants who are yet to take HAT or USAT test, may register for the same by visiting https://etc.hec.gov.pk/
02	I have applied on HEC portal. Do I need to apply on stipendiumhungaricum portal? #applied #TPF #portal	<p>It is MANDATORY that a candidate applies on both portals;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. https://scholarship.hec.gov.pk/ ii. https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu
03	What are the deadlines for both portals? #Deadline	Deadline for both portals is January 15, 2025 (1600 hrs Pakistan Standard Time)
04	What is the criteria for final selection? #criteria #final_selection	<p>Candidates are selected by keeping in view the following factors;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Academic Background ii. Written test score-at least 50% iii. Approved Federal Government quota iv. Test/Interview by Hungarian Authorities
05	Are the universities and their programs accredited from Pakistani accredited bodies such as Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) etc.? #accredited #PEC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ It is the sole responsibility of student(s) applying for any professional degree (Medical, Engineering, Nursing, Architecture, Law, Veterinary Medicine etc.) to first get confirmed its accreditation from the respective Councils i.e. Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC), Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), Pakistan Nursing Council (PNC), Pakistan Council for Architects and Town Planners (PCATP), Pakistan Bar Council (PBC), Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council (PVMC), Pakistan Technology Council etc. ➤ As per Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), undergraduate engineering programs of the University of Debrecen and Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME) are recognized by the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), however, undergraduate engineering programs of the remaining HEIs are likely to be recognized within due course of time and applicant considering these universities may apply on their own responsibility. ➤ Applicants applying for medical/dental fields are required to follow the updated instructions provided by the PMDC regarding the admissions in foreign institutions. Notification-1: https://pmdc.pk/Documents/Others/Policy%20for%20Pak

		istani%20Students%20seeking%20Admissin%20in%20A%20broad.pdf Notification-2: https://pmdc.pk/Documents/Others/Public%20Notice%20Regarding%20Foreign%20Medical%20&%20Dental%20Institutions.pdf
06	I do not have my final result yet. Can I apply? #Final_result #apply	Yes, result awaiting applicants are allowed to apply, however, final degree and transcript must be submitted on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ on or before August 01, 2025 .
07	What is age limit for Masters/PhD? #agelimit	There is No upper age limit. But the applicant must be 18 years of age on or before 31 August 2025 .
08	Is IELTS necessary for applying in Hungaricum scholarship? #IELTS #apply	Candidates applying for Undergraduate programs need to provide English Proficiency Certificate. Candidates applying for Masters/PhD need to check the requirement of Hungarian university that they are opting as to whether the university needs IELTS or not.
09	How many universities may I apply for this scholarship? #universities #apply	Every candidate can apply on two universities.
10	Is there any IELTS requirement by HEC? #Expired #IELTS	HEC does not require IELTS from the applicant. However, applicants are advised in their own interest to check/fulfill requirements of their preferred universities. English proficiency certificate is required by the Hungarian Universities.
11	Which subjects can I apply for? #Apply #subjects	A candidate can apply for only those subjects that are offered by both HEC & Hungarian agency. (list of eligible study fields)
12	Are Undergraduate Engineering Programs offered under Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Program?	As per Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), undergraduate engineering programs of the University of Debrecen and Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME) are recognized by the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), however, undergraduate engineering programs of the remaining HEIs are likely to be recognized within due course of time and applicant considering these universities may apply on their own responsibility.
13	If I don't have passport, medical & police certificates, am I still eligible? #passport #medical #police #certificate	Yes. Applicants must provide passport, medical & police certificates after provisional selection by HEC. Initially, they must upload CNICs instead of passports on Stipendium Hungaricum portal but provide required documents before TPF deadline. Medical certificate must be submitted by the nominated applicants until 15 April 2025 on TPF portal. Similarly, if required by the proposed Doctoral School, Statement of the Supervisor for PhD programs must be submitted until 15 March 2025 .
14	Can an afghan national apply for this scholarship? #afghan #national	No, only Pakistani / AJ&K national can apply for this scholarship.

15	Do we need equivalence of O-level and A-level? #equivalence #Olevel #Alevel	Yes. Equivalence for O and A level is required for this scholarship.
16	What education is required if the applicant wants to apply for 04 years Bachelor's (Undergraduate) and One-Tier Master's program? #requirement #Bachelor	The applicant must have HSSC/Intermediate or equivalent for application in Bachelor's (Undergraduate) and One-Tier program and final degree ad transcript must be submitted on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ before August 01, 2025 .
17	What education is required if the applicant wants to apply for Master's program (Postgraduate program)? #requirement #master	The applicant must have 16 years Bachelors degree or equivalent for application in Master's (Postgraduate Program) and final degree and transcript must be submitted on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ before August 01, 2025 .
18	What education is required if the applicant wants to apply for Ph.D. program? #Ph.D. #requirement	The applicant must have 17/18 years Degree/or equivalent for application in PhD program and final degree and transcript must be submitted before August 01, 2025 on https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/ . Not all doctoral schools require Statement of acceptance issued by the Supervisor at the Hungarian institutions. In case it is required by the doctoral programme, it must be submitted until 15 March 2025 on Stipendium Hungaricum's portal.
19	What are the documents required for Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship? #documents #requirement	The documents required for Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship (Bachelors and Masters) are given below: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit online application form 2. Motivation Letter 3. Proof of language proficiency <u>and</u> translations in the language of the selected study program or in Hungarian 4. School certificates and their translations in the language of the selected study program or in Hungarian 5. Transcript of records and translation in the language of the selected study program or in Hungarian 6. Medical certificate 7. Copy of passport 8. Acceptance of Statement for Application in Stipendium Hungaricum online system For applicants applying for PhD studies , in addition to the above required documents, they would also need to provide the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Research Plan 10. Letter of Recommendation 11. Statement of the Supervisor (only if required by the proposed Doctoral School)
20	What is the mandatory requirement while applying for Ph.D. programs? #Ph.D. #requirement	In case Statement of the Supervisor is required by the doctoral programme, it must be submitted until 15 March 2025 on Stipendium Hungaricum's portal.
21	Is GAT-General test conducted by NTS applicable for these scholarships?	No. GAT-General Test conducted by NTS is not applicable for these scholarships. Only USAT/HAT test conducted by HEC is applicable for the scholarship.

22	Which test is applicable for award of these scholarships?	<p>All applicants are required to provide HAT or USAT test scores. Applicant must have obtained a minimum score of 50% out of total marks in HAT or USAT test. The test validity for HAT is 02 years and USAT is 01 year. For this scholarship, applicant must have already obtained a valid HAT (score obtained on or after January 15, 2023) or USAT score (score obtained on or after January 15, 2024).</p> <p>Without providing a minimum HAT or USAT test score (minimum score of 50% out of total marks), applications will not be considered for further process. Those interested applicants who are yet to take HAT or USAT test, may register for the same by visiting https://etc.hec.gov.pk/</p>
23	Are there any MS/M.Phil scholarships?	Yes, MS/M.Phil scholarships are also offered in Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Program.
24	Can I edit or modify my submitted application for the scholarships program?	Applicants are advised to check all details of this scholarship scheme before filing/submitted online application form. Once submitted the application form cannot be edited or amended.
25	Is international GRE-General /Subject score acceptable?	No. International GRE-General/Subject is not acceptable for the application of this scholarship. However, the foreign host university may require the same for admission purpose.
26	Can public/private sector employees apply without informing their parent department?	Applicant has to apply through proper channel, however, advance copy of the application may be forwarded to HEC.
27	How can I fill out the online application form?	<p>Applicants are required to submit online applications via HEC scholarships portal (https://scholarship.hec.gov.pk/).</p> <p>For users who have got their degree attested from HEC or already created common profile at HEC e-portal, please use your existing User ID (CNIC Number) and password to apply at https://scholarship.hec.gov.pk/. Applicants who have not created common profile are required to create common profile first through online application process and then need to apply for scholarships after following the required procedure.</p> <p>Hard copy of application form and pre-requisite documents are not required at the initial stage. There is no challan/fee for the application of scholarship. The applicant is only required to submit the registration fee of USAT/HAT test.</p>
28	I am already availing financial assistance/scholarship from university/institution. Am I eligible for this scholarship? #eligibility #scholarshipholder	No, the students already availing financial assistance / scholarship from universities / institutions are not eligible to apply.

29	<p>Are medical and dentistry fields available under this scholarship?</p> <p>#medical #dentistry</p>	<p>Yes. Medical and Dentistry are available under this scholarship program only in approved Hungarian institutions/universities mentioned at PMDC website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Applicants applying for medical/dental fields are required to follow the updated instructions provided by the PMDC regarding the admissions in foreign institutions. <p>Notification-1: https://pmdc.pk/Documents/Others/Policy%20for%20Pakistani%20Students%20seeking%20Admission%20in%20Abroad.pdf</p> <p>Notification-2: https://pmdc.pk/Documents/Others/Public%20Notice%20Regarding%20Foreign%20Medical%20&%20Dental%20Institutions.pdf</p>
30	<p>What is the financial coverage of the said scholarship?</p> <p>#financialcoverage #fullyfunded</p>	<p>Accommodation and health funding provisions are only a contribution to the living expenses of the scholarship holders. It means that it does not fully cover all the costs of living and the students need to add their own financial resources in order to cover all living expenses in Hungary.</p> <p>Visit link for further details: http://www.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/about/</p> <p>All applicants are advised to check the expected living expenses both in Hungary and in the city that they wish to live in before applying. Please do check cost of living calculator below: http://www.studyinhungary.hu/living-in-hungary/menu/your-costs-of-living.html</p>
31	<p>Does HEC have any financial assistance in the said scholarship?</p> <p>#HEC #ticketreimbursement</p>	<p>After successful departure to Hungary, the scholars will be eligible for the ticket reimbursement. HEC will reimburse the ticket amount for both departure and arrival (after completion of studies). According to the approved MoU by the Government of Pakistan the maximum provision amount for one side of ticket reimbursement is Rs.200,000/-</p>