



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Stipendium Hungaricum Undergraduate Scholarships Hungary 2023/24

Applications are invited from eligible Sri Lankans for the award of **08** undergraduate scholarships offered by the Government of Hungary under the bilateral cooperation between the Government of Sri Lanka and the Government of Hungary on Programme of the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship programme for the academic year 2023/24.

For further details, visit: <https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/apply/>

01. General Eligibility requirements:

- (a) Should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Applicants should be **over 18 years old as of 31st August 2023**
- (c) The applicant should have a minimum of three passes at the G.C.E. (A/L) Examination in relevant fields of study conducted by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka.
- (d) Should possess a good knowledge of English. (Should have obtained at least a “C” pass in English at the G.C.E. (O/L) Examination and “S” pass at the G.C.E A/L Examination)
- (e) Should be in good health and ready to live in Hungary during the period of study.
- (f) Applicant should not be registered or following a course at a state university in Sri Lanka as an internal student (a student selected by UGC based on the G.C.E. A/L results).

02. Fields of study:

- In the fields of Agricultural Science, Engineering Science, Economics Science (<http://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/partners>)
- Available study programmes and host institutions are accessible in the online application system (<http://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/>)

03. Medium of instructions: Study programme are generally available in the English and Hungarian Languages.

- Students shall have a level of proficiency in the language of education as required by the Host institution. The applicants need to directly apply for the study programmes in the online system.

04. Terms of Award:

- (a) Selected candidates shall be responsible for the international roundtrip cost.
- (b) Exemption from the payment of tuition fee
- (c) Monthly stipend of HUF 43,700 (cca EUR² 103) contribution to the living expenses in Hungary, for 12 months a year, until the completion of studies.

- (d) Accommodation contribution –

Free dormitory place or a contribution of HUF 40,000/month an accommodation cost for the whole duration of the scholarship period (Please note that if the student does not live in the dormitory, the HUF 40,000/month is a contribution to that rental costs, and in bigger cities-especially in the capital city-this contribution would not cover the full amount of rental costs).

- (e) Medical Insurance –

Health care services according to the relevant Hungarian legislation (Act LXXX of 1997, national health insurance card) and supplementary medical insurance for up to HUF 65,000 (cca EUR 153) a year /person.

These 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. Please check the cost of living calculator by checking the following link;

<http://www.studyinhungray.hu/living-in-hungray/menu/your-costs-of-living.html>

05. Special Notes:

- (a) Candidates who are awarded this scholarship would not be considered for university admission process of the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Award of the scholarship Conditions laid down in this notification may vary as per the criteria imposed by the Hungarian authorities without prior notice.
- (c) Candidates who received scholarship would select the Higher Educational institutes recognized by the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.
- (d) If any student declines the offer after the selection process, he/she shall not be considered for any of the scholarships in future.
- (e) Extension of the period of the scholarship will not be recommended by this Ministry.

06. Applications:

(a) **Applicants should apply parallelly for the Hungarian Online Application system & Ministry of Education online application system by using the following web portals.**

- I. The Hungaricum online application system:
<https://apply.stipendiumhungaricum.hu/>
- II. Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka online application System:
<https://foreignscholarships.mohe.gov.lk>

Important Note:

- **Applying for both (I and II) online application systems are vital for the selection procedure.**
- The Application Guide for the applicants can be found on Hungarian website: https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/uploads/2020/03/Application-Guide-for-the-Stipendium-Hungaricum-Programme_2023_24.pdf

(b) **The deadline of the submission of the application is 16th January 2023, 14:00:00 Europe/Budapest time.**

(c) **Applicants should submit only one application via online portal and not required to send by post.**

- Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect/false will liable to disqualification at any time and will lead to the withdrawal of the award.
- Incomplete in any respect or received late, will be rejected.

07. Nominations & Selections:

- The Hungaricum scholarship awarding authority will forward the eligible list to this Ministry after having the technical checkup.
- Eligible candidates will be called for an interview by the Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka.
- The Nomination will be forwarded to the Hungaricum scholarship awarding authority. No candidate should treat his/her nomination for this Scholarship as the confirmation of award is a matter entirely within the discretion of the awarding authority.
- Any form of canvassing either written or verbal will be considered as a disqualification for a scholarship.

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