THE IRISH EMBASSY BURSARY PROGRAMME

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS TO IRELAND

*Application deadline: 19th February 2018

The Irish Embassy to Hungary is now accepting applications for its Bursary Programme

The Bursary Programme was established by the Embassy of Ireland in Hungary, the Irish Hungarian Business Circle (IHBC), and by the Forum of Scholars of Irish Studies in Budapest in November 2014.

The programme was established with the goal of supporting Hungarian students studying Irish topics to visit Ireland for a summer school, research visit, or internship. The bursary award contributes towards the associated costs of the students' trip.

It is open to students from the arts, humanities, business, architecture and engineering.

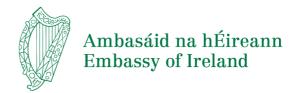


2017 Winners: Mr József Papp, PhD student, ELTE and Ms Orsolya Noemi Szűcs, PhD student, Pázmány Péter University

Eligibility for the grant:

Hungarian undergraduate, graduate and post graduate students are eligible for the award and may

- 1. Attend a summer school in Ireland relating to the topic of their research;
- 2. Visit an Irish Research Institute (e.g.: National Library of Ireland, TCD Library, NUI Galway, Irish Film Institute) to carry out research;
- 3. Undertake an internship at an Irish business.



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Criteria for application

Applicants must:

- 1. Have a high level proficiency in the English language and be competence in oral, writing, listening and reading skills
- 2. Have completed or will have completed by the time of taking up the Bursary their undergraduate degree at a Hungarian academic institution and have completed at least one, but preferably more, projects or pieces of work related to Irish topics as part of their undergraduate studies.
- 3. Be currently registered for an M.A. or a Ph.D. Programme at a Hungarian academic institution. Proof of acceptance for admission to postgraduate studies can also be provided.
- 4. Applicants' research should be focussed on an Irish topic.



Application Process

The applicant must submit relevant documents, by the indicated deadline, to: budapestembassy@dfa.ie by email and by post: Embassy of Ireland, 1054 Budapest, Szabadsag ter 7-9, Bank Centre, Platina II . VI floor. These shall consist of:

- Completed Application Form
- CV
- A letter of invitation from the relevant research institution, summer school, or Irish business
- Applicants intending to pursue research, must submit a research proposal signed by supervisor from his/her home institution
- Applicants seeking to attend a summer school must submit a letter of recommendation from an academic from his/her home institution.
- Applicants must agree to cover additional costs beyond bursary grant.
- All applications should be submitted by email <u>and</u> by post on or before the deadline of 19 February 2018.
- Any application submitted after this date will be automatically excluded.

Official results: 14 March 2018

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The Irish Embassy shall inform the successful candidate by 14 March 2018. The successful candidate will then be invited to sign a Bursary Contract with the Irish Hungarian Business Circle. In the Bursary Contract, the contracting parties (IHBC and grantee) specify how the grant will be used, and what costs will be covered. In the Bursary Contract, the grantee undertakes that with the acceptance of the award he/she shall conclude the research or attend the summer school or complete the internship that is specified in his/her work plan by the given deadline, and submit a brief report on its completion.

Each bursary grantee shall arrange all travel practicalities with TENSI Travel Agency and the transfer of tuition fees and registration fees shall take place through IHBC. The grantee is obliged to abide by the terms of the Bursary Contract signed with IHBC. In case the grantee fails to complete the programme he/she is responsible for repaying the bursary amount.

Key Dates

Application deadline: 19 February 2018

Programme starts: 17th March 2018

Programme ends: 20th November 2018

For further information, please contact the Embassy:

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