

Budapest University of Technology and Economics



Founded in 1782, the Budapest University of Technology and Economics considers its role as to develop international relations in favour of improvement of expertise, knowledge and international reputation of professors, researchers and students. The University aspires to develop co-operations promoting research and education in the field of international relations as well as to evolve different forms of mobility. Major targets are to broaden the international education programs of the University and to participate in mobility programs supported by the European Union.

The University reputation has been growing by the approximately 5000 international students, who graduated here. Since the 80's regular full time programs in English have been offered in B.Sc, M.Sc. and Ph.D. levels. Additional 3000 international students have joined the University programs in mobility schemes for one or two semesters. Under this link (<http://portal.bme.hu/C13/Bulletin/default.aspx>) you can find academic information, academic calendar, description of curricula and subjects of eight faculties (Architecture, Civil Engineering, Chemical Technology and Biotechnology, Electrical Engineering and Informatics, Mechanical Engineering, Transportation Engineering, Economic and Social Sciences, Natural Sciences), Pre Engineering Course, Hungarian and CE Studies, list of Hungarian embassies, contacts and other relevant information.

The campus plan can be found here: <http://portal.bme.hu/terkep.aspx>.

Important links:

<http://english.www.bme.hu/studies/>

http://icepe.bme.hu/survival/bme_survival_guide_2010.pdf





Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Informatics (VIK)

The Faculty of Electrical Engineering founded in 1949 has been renowned for excellence in research and education throughout the years of changes in the scope of engineering. Over this period, the faculty has earned a wide-spread international reputation for its high academic standards and scientific achievements. Spearheading the movement to establish a modern education system, it has offered a comprehensive English curriculum since 1992. In its 9 departments, the education programmes in English include a 3.5-year B.Sc., a 2-year M.Sc. and a 3-year Ph.D. programme in the fields of electrical and software engineering. Applicants with B.Sc. studies having a WGAP (Weighted Grade Average Point) equal or better than 'good' (more than 3.51 out of 5.00) will receive acceptance to the M.Sc. course, which further advances the knowledge obtained in the undergraduate programmes in the same two fields: Electrical Engineering, offering specializations in embedded systems, infocommunication systems, and electrical machines and drives; or Software Engineering, offering specializations in applied computer science and system development, also Business Information Systems, offering specialization in Analytical Business Intelligence.

Important links:

<https://www.vik.bme.hu/english/>

<https://www.vik.bme.hu/files/00006095.pdf>



City of Budapest

Budapest ranks among the world's most romantic and entertaining capitals. Nicknamed the 'Paris of the East', it is a place of broad boulevards and green parks, grand Art-Nouveau mansions and brightly painted churches, lively cafés and top-class music venues. The capital of Hungary is situated along the Danube, in the heart of the Carpathian basin. Hilly Buda, which comprises one-third of the city's area of 525 km² is located along the right bank of the Danube surrounded by low mountains. János Hill, with its 529 metres is the highest summit of Buda. Across the river sprawls flat Pest. The geology of Budapest has played a determining role in the city's life over the course of history. Hot springs breaking through limestone mountains supplying water of 35-76 °C gave rise to a flourishing culture of spas in the Roman Age and made Budapest one of the most popular spa cities of Europe. The population of Budapest is about 2 million, 17% of the country's population. Public transport in Budapest is the responsibility of the Budapest Transport Company, or BKV by its Hungarian acronym (for maps & timetable see bkv.hu). You can travel in the city around as much as you wish if you buy a Budapest-card (see links below), which also allows you to enter several museums and other culturally significant places as well as many nightclubs and other recreational facilities.



Budapest has many parks and open green areas. The City Park on the Pest side hosts several major events every year. Created originally to serve as a site for the Millennium Celebration in 1896, the park near downtown Budapest offers entertainment to local people and visitors alike with its monuments, ponds, outdoor restaurants and cafés. Its lanes and alleys and open spaces are also favoured by sport lovers: cyclists, roller skaters and joggers. Margitsziget, or Margaret Island is one of the most popular places of recreation. From spring to autumn, hundreds of people visit the island to find rest or active recreation among its trees and bushes. Surrounded by the Danube, the island's 5.3 kilometres circumference is eminently suitable for running, jogging or cycling.

Walking around the city, visitors are lured by a multitude of cafés and restaurants with terraces, particularly in the increasing number of pedestrian zones. A favoured entertainment area is Liszt Ferenc Square and its vicinity, and renewed Ráday Street. The cultural life of Budapest would be inconceivable without buoyant nights in the theatre. Many of the renowned old theatres have been remodelled over the past few years including the Operetta Theatre and Thalia Theatre. In 2002 the National Theatre, demolished in the 1960's, was rebuilt on a new site.



Important links:

Tourist card: <http://english.budapest.hu/engine.aspx?page=news&artname=20110907-cikk-budapestcard-EN>

<http://english.budapest.hu/>



How to get into town?

By plane:

MALÉV Hungarian Airlines: Middle-upper-class service, direct flights to almost all bigger cities in Europe from Budapest Liszt Ferenc Airport.

WizzAir: this company has also many flights from within Europe to Budapest.

By train:

MÁV: Hungary's national train company has direct connections to Berlin, Munich, Stuttgart, Hamburg, Dresden, Vienna, Pozsony, Praha, Warsaw and Moscow.

RailJet: the OeBB's high standard rail service gets you to Budapest from Zurich, Bern, Munich and Vienna.

DB: Connections from all over Europe are available to Budapest over Munich at a reasonable price with the "Spezial"-Tickets of the Deutsche Bahn.



How to get to the university?

By Budapest public transport:

Tram 4, 6: Petőfi híd, budai hídfő (Petőfi bridge, Buda abutment at Goldmann György square)

Tram 18, 19, 47, 49: Szent Gellért tér (Saint Gerhard square at Szabadság bridge, Buda abutment)

Bus 212: Petőfi híd, budai hídfő

Bus 7, 86: Szent Gellért tér

From main train stations:

Déli pu.: by tram 18 to Szent Gellért tér

Kelenföldi pu.: by tram 19, 49 to Szent Gellért tér

Keleti pu.: by red subway (No.2) to Blaha Lujza tér, by tram 4 or 6 to Petőfi híd, budai hídfő;
or by bus 7 to Szent Gellért tér

Nyugati pu.: by tram 4, 6 to Petőfi híd, budai hídfő

From Liszt Ferenc Airport:

By bus 93 or 200E to Kőbánya-Kispest subway station, by blue subway to Ferenc körút, by tram 4, 6 to Petőfi híd, budai hídfő (or use an airport minibuss service)

From highways by vehicle:

M1 (E60, E75), M7 (E71): M1-M7 - Budaörsi út - Nagyszőlős u. - Bocskai út - Október 23. u.
- Irinyi József u. - Műgyetem rakpart

M3 (E71): M3 - Hungária körút - Könyves Kálmán körút - Lágymányosi híd - Pázmány Péter sétány - Műgyetem rakpart

M5 (E75): M5 - Nagykőrösi

Hungary



Currency HUF (Hungarian Forints): 1€~250HUF

Health insurance

A valid health insurance in Hungary is **OBLIGATORY** for all international students, and **EU health insurance cards are accepted. Students are obliged to buy a health insurance card from the University partner, if they are not contracted with another insurance company registered in Hungary.** If you do not have health insurance, you can apply for a Providencia insurance card at the Students' Office (Bldg. Z, room 201) or to other conceptions via Farkas Gergely, financial advisor under the mobile number +3630-914-24670 or via email: farkas.gergely.jozsef@vipmail.hu

The health insurance system of the Budapest University of Technology and Economics and the Generali Providencia Insurance Co. provides the following services for foreign students of the university and their relatives (husband, wife and children) staying in Hungary. It covers the cost of curing and the necessary medical treatment caused by diseases or accidents. The company also covers 50% of the price of payable medicine prescribed by the doctor.

Please note that no responsibility is taken for the correctness of this information.

Landscape

Lake Balaton (on the picture) is the largest lake in Central Europe, and ideal for sailing or sunbathing. Nearby is the famous spa town of Hévíz, where you can wallow in a natural thermal lake even in the depths of winter. If you like to keep active and get back to nature, there are countless marked routes for hiking, cycling or horse-riding, often through stunning scenery. Hungary is rich in history and in creativity– it's the birthplace of world-famous inventors, scientists, explorers, composers and sports stars. This country really is a place of variety, colour and passion.

Important links:

<http://hungary.com>