

# Pázmány Péter Catholic University

## **Faculty of Information Technology and Bionics**

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## FACT SHEET FOR ERASMUS PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

## **INSTITUTION DETAILS**

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ERASMUS ID Code: HU BUDAPES12

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## **NOMINATION AND APPLICATION**

Nomination by partner universities (via e-mail): 30 May

Necessary data: student's name, study field, study year, birth date, e-mail address Application (by students): 30 June

Documents to be sent *both* by regular mail and e-mail (please do not fax):

- Application form
- Learning Agreement
- Transcript of Records
- Proof of English language proficiency (at least B2 level)

All information regarding the application can be found on our faculty website:

http://itk.ppke.hu/en/international/erasmus-programme

#### **COURSES**

Before starting to decide what you want to do during your Erasmus period, we highly recommend that you download our information brochure, which gives a thorough insight into the life and characteristics of our Faculty, as well as the main fields of study and research: <a href="https://itk.ppke.hu/uploads/articles/715/file/PPCU\_FIT\_brochure.pdf">https://itk.ppke.hu/uploads/articles/715/file/PPCU\_FIT\_brochure.pdf</a>

We have put together two documents that contain all **courses** (at BSc and MSc levels) **at our Faculty that are open for Erasmus students**. You can find them here:

http://itk.ppke.hu/en/international/academic-information/course-list



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Kindly note that the lists of courses are not final (some courses might not actually be taught in one semester or another...), but it can certainly help you to put together an acceptable Learning Agreement for your application. The Learning Agreement may contain only courses that appear in the above mentioned documents.

Some (but unfortunately not all) course descriptions can be found on our webpage, under the individual Masters programs: http://itk.ppke.hu/en/education/master-programs.

#### THESIS PROJECT

For students who want to do a **thesis project** as part of their Erasmus period, please keep in mind that you need to have the acceptance of a professor in Budapest to be your thesis **promoter** before the deadline. If you do not know how to find a promoter (normally your promoter of your home university should be able to put you in contact with a colleague in Budapest) please contact me. **Put the name of the professor in your Learning Agreement** (and if possible, the thesis title and number of credits). You cannot be accepted for a project if you do not have a promoter!

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Although the university does not have a student dormitory, incoming Erasmus students have several options. We co-operate with some Catholic dormitories (limited availability). Also, our student buddies are happy to help incoming students with finding a room or flat to rent.

You may find a list of websites where you may find accommodation at the following link: <a href="http://itk.ppke.hu/en/international/pre-arrival/accommodation">http://itk.ppke.hu/en/international/pre-arrival/accommodation</a>

The link to our student union accommodation page is as follows: <a href="http://kollegium.itk.ppke.hu/">http://kollegium.itk.ppke.hu/</a>. (You can also contact them under the e-mail address kollegium@itk.ppke.hu.)

#### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

The first week of the semester is registration week. Erasmus students should arrive during this week. In each term there is a break around the middle of the term. Exam period is usually 6 weeks.

*Important dates for the spring semester:* 

• Registration week: 5 September - 9 September

• Latest arrival for Erasmus students: 4 September

• Orientation week: 5 September - 9 September

Semester start: 12 SeptemberPublic holiday: 23 October

• Autumn holiday: 24 October - 1 November

• Semester end: 16 December

• Exam period: 19 December - 27 January



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#### **LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS**

We do offer a good number of coursers in English, although the majority of the classes are in Hungarian. If an Erasmus students wishes to take a course in English, teachers in most cases are prepared and willing to hold the subject in English, and/or assist the Erasmus student in an alternative way (e.g. individual consultation, slides and lecture notes in English etc.), so that the student can successfully acquire the material and prepare for the exam.

Therefore, knowledge of Hungarian is not a prerequisite to study at our Faculty. However, we do require a good command of English (at least B2 level), in order to be able to follow the classes. (The application documents have to include the proof of language proficiency.)

#### **ERASMUS STUDENT BUDDY**

Buddies are students from our Faculty who welcome Erasmus students and help them throughout their Erasmus period. Their task starts before the students arrive: they answer questions concerning finding a place to live, getting around the city, choosing the best suitable courses, helping in enrolment to the Faculty etc. (General questions concerning the study should be addressed to the Erasmus Coordinator!)

The first few weeks said to be the hardest for Erasmus students, facing a different country, unknown language and new habits, not to mention the different education system. That is why the student buddy system exists. On the other hand, having this enthusiastic student circle may come in useful in making friends in the local student community. After all, there is a lot more to the Erasmus experience than just classes at another institution... © In case of further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the faculty Erasmus coordinators:

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