

## CENTRAL EUROPEAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM FOR UNIVERSITY STUDIES

### Introduction

Central European Exchange Program for University Studies (CEEPUS) was established in 1993 to promote student and teacher mobility in Central and South-East Europe by developing long-term academic cooperation between partner institutions within the participating countries. Students can spend a shorter or longer study period abroad and teachers can undertake a teaching period at a partner university. These opportunities are designed to foster professional and personal relationships among Central European universities and scholars to strengthen the strategic role of the CEE region. In Hungary, the programme is managed by Tempus Public Foundation (as National CEEPUS Office).

### Member countries

Albania, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Slovenia

### Networks and mobilities

The cooperation takes place in the form of networks. The participating universities create a thematic network on a specific or interdisciplinary academic field, and mobilities can primarily be realised within the networks. Besides mobilities within a network, teachers and students have the opportunity to apply as Freemovers to any accredited universities of the participating countries.

### Quota and scholarship

Prior to every academic year, each member country offers a scholarship quota, which serves as the framework for the incoming mobilities in the next academic year. For students and teachers coming to Hungary in 2023/2024, there were 1400 months offered by the Ministry of Culture and Innovation. The CEEPUS scholarship is awarded and paid by the host country, therefore, the amount is different in each country.

### Deadlines for mobility applications

- network mobility for the winter/first semester: 30<sup>th</sup> June /31<sup>st</sup> Aug
- network mobility for the summer/second semester: 31<sup>st</sup> October
- freemover mobility for the winter/first semester: starts on 1<sup>st</sup> July, open until availability
- freemover mobility for the summer/second semester: 30<sup>th</sup> November

### More information

- [CEEPUS III Agreement](#)
- [Central CEEPUS Office](#)
- [National CEEPUS Office Hungary](#), Contact: [ceepus@tpf.hu](mailto:ceepus@tpf.hu)
- [For students](#)
- [National CEEPUS Office Slovakia](#) (Slovak Academic Information Agency (SAIA))

### Impact study

Tempus Public Foundation published a study in 2019 titled 'The Impact of the Central European Exchange Program for University Studies (CEEPUS) in the Hungarian Higher Education Institutions Involved'. An abbreviated version of the original Hungarian online publication is available in English on our [webpage](#).

## SLOVAKIA – HUNGARY

The number of networks with participants from both countries is increasing each year. By the academic year 2022/2023, 83% of the networks with Slovakian participating university have had a partner from Hungary. However, the number of exchanges (mobilities) between the two countries can be increased, especially in the area of student mobilities.

### Number of mobilities

Academic year	Teacher		Student		Total
	TO Hungary	TO Slovakia	TO Hungary	TO Slovakia	
2016/2017	49	43	52	12	156
2017/2018	43	38	59	16	156
2018/2019	37	34	27	10	108
2019/2020	19	26	11	3	59
2020/2021	11	7	13	0	31
2021/2022	25	23	18	1	67
2022/2023 <sup>1</sup>	29	50	11	4	94
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>671</b>

In the academic year 2022/23, a total of 16 Slovakian universities (with 93 units) are participating in 94 CEEPUS networks, while 28 Hungarian higher education institutions (with 143 units) are taking part in 89 networks.

### The most active universities in Slovakia

The most important Slovakian partners of the Hungarian universities are:

Slovak University of Technology, Technical University of Košice, Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, University of Žilina in Žilina.

### The most important partners of the Slovakian universities in Hungary

University of Szeged, University of Debrecen, Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Eötvös Loránd University, University of Miskolc and University of Pécs.

### Common fields of cooperation

Engineering and manufacturing, computer science, agriculture, veterinary medicine, food and health, economics and management, environmental and earth science, teaching of languages and education, economics, bioethics, philosophy and religious studies, regional cooperation and development, European culture, art and history.

<sup>1</sup> Incomplete data as the year has not finished yet