

# Two-year International Relations MA experience in Szeged ...

... at one of the most prestigious  
Universities in Hungary and in  
Central and Eastern Europe

... in an international hub very  
close to the Serbian and  
Romanian borders

... in the City of Sunshine  
of Hungary

## UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED

FACULTY OF LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCES

*Study local. Become global.*



## WELCOME TO THE MIR-FAMILY!



*Márton SÚLYOK*  
*dr. jur., LL.M, Ph.D.*  
*Program Coordinator*

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome you on behalf of the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the University of Szeged, and its International and Regional Studies Institute.

Our International Relations MA Program (MIR) is one of the youngest and freshest international programs in Szeged and in the country as well. This little city at the Southern border of Hungary is a real hub of international students from many different disciplines, from Medicine, through Engineering and Economics, to Law and Political Sciences.

MIR started in 2014 as a selective MA program in search of young talents worldwide.

In the past 10 years, I have lived, worked and researched for shorter periods in France, Belgium, the United Kingdom and in the United States, so I am aware of the benefits of a diverse international student body.

This is why we are building it right now at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences. What makes this experiment more interesting is the fact that we are the only law school in the country that offers such a MA Program.

I hope that we will have the honor to continue building and navigating this ship together, and sail it right into international waters!

We hope to see you next year!

We **MIRror** the high standards of competitiveness, employability and multidisciplinary that our University represents

- M-obililty
- I-nternationalism
- R-espect for talent

Active Erasmus links cover the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Belgium, Italy, Finland, Turkey, Greece, Lithuania and several other countries





# Application to MIR-LBA

## ONLINE APPLICATION

Apply through Dream Apply Platform:  
<https://apply.u-szeged.hu/>

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

MIR is fully taught in English.

### Criteria for admission:

- IELTS 6.5 or interchangeable TOEFL 79-93 score interval (equivalent to CEFR B1-C2 level) OR
- Degree attesting graduation from a fully-English-taught BA program (provides exemption from the above requirements).

Language skills will be verified on the occasion of an Admission Interview through VOIP, or in person if the applicant has access to the Faculty.

Admission Interviews are generally conducted from the first week of July for each Academic Year.

## DEGREES ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION

- Undergraduate Degree in Law, BA in International Relations, BA in International Studies (for international students); any degrees that qualify under the relevant Hungarian rules; please consult: <http://www.felvi.hu>
- Those applicants who do not hold BA degree in International Relations, will need to provide their academic transcript for review to the Admission Committee to check compliance with necessary entry credits (30 ECTS) based on Hungarian regulations.

## Finances TUITION

Current tuition fees are regularly updated on the following web links:

- For Hungarian students:  
[www.felvi.hu](http://www.felvi.hu).
- For EU and non-EU students:  
<http://www.u-szeged.hu/english/study-programmes/international-relations-ma>

## SCHOLARSHIP

The Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Program was launched in 2013 by the Hungarian Government.

Questions regarding this funding program shall be referred to the International Office of the University or to the Tempus Public Foundation.

International Office of the University of Szeged: [international@rekt.szte.hu](mailto:international@rekt.szte.hu)

Tempus Foundation:  
[www.tpf.hu/english](http://www.tpf.hu/english)

For all Hungarian scholarships:  
<http://www.studyinhungary.hu/>



## FIRST SEMESTER

- Comparative Constitutional Law and Governance Theory
- Diplomatic Relations
- Economic Fundamentals of EU integration
- Evolution of the European Concept
- Legal Foundations of International Cooperation
- Tendencies in European Political Philosophy

OUR CORE SUBJECTS

## SECOND SEMESTER

- Data Collection for Social Sciences
- Democracy, Subsidiarity and Multilevel Governance in Europe
- European Economic and Monetary Union
- Frontiers of European Integration: Enlargement and Neighborhood Policy
- Global Economic Trends and Centres
- Legal Structures of European Construction
- Negotiation Techniques
- Protection of Human Rights

## THIRD SEMESTER

- European Business Environment
- Freedom, Security, and Justice in the European Union
- Globalization and Development
- International Political Economy
- Project Management in the European Union
- The European Union and European Policies



## FOURTH SEMESTER

- Economic and Social Statistics
- Industrial Relations and Employment Policies
- International Private Law and Economic Relations
- Knowledge Management
- Political Risk Management and the Deliberative Process
- Thesis Work, Thesis Defense, and Final Examination

# TEACHING FACULTY

*Some of our most renowned professors*

## PROF. DR. KRISZTINA KARSAI



Faculty Member, Vice-president for Educational Affairs, Institute of Criminal Law and Criminal Science Head of Unit at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, Jean-Monnet Chair, Honorary Consul of Austria

Prof. Dr. Karsai is teaching in the different fields of criminal law and criminal justice, focusing on European criminal policy and European criminal law and comparative criminal law. She offers courses also on legal rhetoric and argumentation such as Freedom, Security and Justice as it is included in the MIR Curriculum on the third semester.

## DR. ANITA PELLE



Associate Professor at the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Jean Monnet Chair, Program Director of the English-language Master in International Economy and Business

Dr. Pelle has been teaching and researching on the economy of the EU, the European economic integration process, the EU internal market and its regulation and, most lately, the EU internal divide. She offers Economic Fundamentals of EU integration, European Business Environment, European Economic and Monetary Union courses within the Program. Besides all, she is a visiting professor at different universities in France, Italy and Czech Republic

Former Deputy State-Secretary for Foreign Affairs and retired Ambassador

Mr. Erdős is one of the most experienced diplomats in the field of diplomatic relations. He has started his career by joining the Foreign Ministry of Hungary in 1965. He served in Morocco, Geneva, and New York as a UN official. He led the Hungarian delegation to the CSCE in Vienna. He was twice appointed as Permanent Representative of Hungary to the UN and was a member of the UN Security Council. He is a former ambassador to France. Currently, he is the Vice-President of the Hungarian UN Association and of the Hungarian Atlantic Council.



## DR. ANIK  SZALAI

Senior lecturer at the University of Szeged, founder and organizer of the Regional Academy on the United Nations

Dr. Szalai dedicated her PhD research focusing the protection of the Roma minority under international and European law. This work received the National Excellence Award, the G za Herczegh Memorial Certificate, and the Best Monograph Prize of the University of Szeged, Faculty of Law. She is a regular speaker at the Human Rights Summer University of the Europa-Universit t Viadrina. She teaches a wide range of topics on Public International Law and offers Legal foundations of International Cooperation within the Program.



# PROGRAM ADMIN

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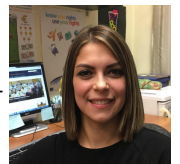
Administrator of the MIR English and French Program, Assistant Event Coordinator at Europe Direct Szeged

As a MIR team member from the birth of the Program, she has been managing first the French IR Program, then MIR since 2014. She holds an MA degrees in French Studies and a French-language MBA.

## GIZEM G LTEKIN V RKONYI

Assistant Coordinator, MIR Alumni, PhD Student

After completing a BA program in Information Management in Turkey, she graduated from the MIR Program, and currently is a PhD student at our Faculty, focusing on personal data protection and robots with Artificial Intelligence.





# EXTRA-CURRICULARS AND ACADEMIC EVENTS



## MASTER IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ACADEMIC LECTURES SERIES (MIRACLE)

MIRACLE is part of the Program as an opportunity for our students to meet prestigious academicians, diplomats, practitioners and other respected speakers in the fields of IR covered by our Curriculum. It also offers a unique platform for them to present their own field of interest or organize their own events.

## REGIONAL ACADEMY ON THE UNITED NATIONS (RAUN)

RAUN is an international multi-disciplinary program which trains young scholars in issues related to the United Nations and international cooperation. It aims to provide participants with in-depth knowledge about the UN and its functions, to raise their cultural awareness and openness, and to offer a forum for networking and academic exchange.

The Academy follows a unique format combining lectures and workshops consists of three sessions per academic year starting in May until January in different participating countries (Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, and Austria). For more information: [www.ra-un.org](http://www.ra-un.org)



## INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMATIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION (IDSA SZEGED)

IDSA is a student organization which aims to collect students interested in the world of diplomacy, international law and international relations and its goal is to make a great community of them. IDSA Szeged provides continuous possibility for the members to develop their personal and professional skills. . Students have the chance to participate in regular courses where they have the possibility to learn about the United Nations, about the secrets of model UN conferences. Students can improve their diplomatic English knowledge skills, can learn how to be braver when delivering a public speech or they can just learn how to act as a diplomat. For more information: [www.idsa.hu](http://www.idsa.hu)



## Hunor Mátyás

Hungary, 2017 Alumni

*Junior Consultant at Jones Lang LaSalle*

## Nimitxay Thepphavanh

Our Laotian colleague completed MIR Program in 2016 and right after applied for the PhD Program of the University of Szeged, Doctoral School of Law. His PhD research focuses on Parliament's Role in Oversight of State Policies of Social and Cultural Affairs

**"Now, in the real world,  
I see the value of the  
MIR Program!"**

Cristina Pascari, Moldova, 2016 Alumni

*Project Assistant and Linguist of the Civil  
Affairs team of the USA Embassy in Chisinau*

**"I am highly satisfied with  
the knowledge and the  
degree I gained here..."**

"I will recommend the course in the future to all my friends. I am proud to be a MIR Alumni and I wish all the best for the program in the future!"

*Nóra Szentivánszki, Hungary, 2016 Alumni*

**Without MIR, I would  
have come to Bruges with  
no prior knowledge in  
this field, and I may even  
not have been accepted**

Momen Badarna, State of Palestine,  
2017 Alumni

*Master of EU International Relations and Diplomacy  
Studies, College of Europe*

# MIR Alumni

Our graduates find opportunities in numerous disciplines on the labor market as an International Relations Expert or continue their academic life in doctoral studies in Europe..

## Ákos Fodor

Sales Representative at Continental  
ContiTech Fluid Automotive Hungary

*Hungary, 2017 Alumni*

**"I have improved my  
academic skills and my  
cultural intelligence"**

"The academic staff never made me feel alone even though I was very far away from home."

*Cansu Güçlü, Turkey, 2017 Alumni*

## Ádam Kovács

Sales Representative at  
Kiskun Trade Kft.

*Hungary, 2016 Alumni*



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