



UNIVERSITY OF SZEGED

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## The Rector's Greetings



Dear Partners,

the University of Szeged is one of Hungary's leading and internationally ranked higher education institutions. The most renowned scientist of the Alma Mater is Albert Szent-Györgyi, who extracted vitamin C from Szeged paprika, and was honoured with the Nobel Prize in Medicine and Physiology for the results he achieved in Szeged in 1937. The Nobel laureate scientist has worthy followers: excellent teachers and researchers at the University continue to pass on their knowledge to young students, educating generations for life. As one of the best regional universities, we have achieved noteworthy results in an international dimension thanks to our research investments with a future vision and research portfolio. We have built up

strategic partnerships with a number of organizations active in industry, particularly in the field of research and development, and Europe's most modern laser centre is currently under construction here. The University has 7,000 employees, including 2,500 teachers and researchers, and almost 25,000 students.

Loyal to the intellectual heritage of Albert Szent-Györgyi, we consider it important that our students should not only graduate, but also continue their journey of becoming intellectuals, and for this the city of Szeged offers a wide range of cultural and artistic programmes.

Apart from providing the conditions for our students to obtain valuable knowledge and

academic qualifications, we consider it a highly important task to help our students make use of their knowledge in the most effective way. Thanks to the steadily extending, fruitful national and international co-operations of the University, our graduates are well prepared to enter the labour market. Their careers serve as good examples for the future generations of Szeged students.

Enjoy reading our booklet and becoming acquainted with the University of Szeged.

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Academy of Sciences  
Rector of the University  
of Szeged

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# Education

Knowledge is value. Our commitment at the University is to help students make the most of their talents and abilities and, with the support of excellent instructors and mentors, become as successful as possible in their chosen professions.

The twelve Faculties at the University of Szeged and its Teachers' Training Centre offer hundreds of training courses, including Bachelor, Master, integrated, undivided and Doctoral training courses, higher education specializations, various postgraduate courses and adult education programmes. The strength of the University of Szeged lies in its diversity. High-level standard of training programmes are offered in fields such as Health Sciences, Arts, Economics, Law, Natural Sciences, Teachers' Training, Agriculture, Engineering and Creative Art. In the 19 Doctoral Schools, PhD degrees can be obtained in

- Arts,
- Engineering,
- Medicine and Pharmacy,
- Social Sciences and
- Natural Sciences.



number of active academic research and teaching staff: **2406**

number of academic staff employed full time: **1692**

number of academic staff with PhD employed full time: **1036**

this is 61.2 % of the full-time-employed academic staff: **61,2%**

International Programmes	BSc programmes	Ma/MSc programmes	Undivided degree programmes	Postgraduated programmes	Foundation year	Doctoral Schools
	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>

The best known Bachelor, Master, undivided and Doctoral training courses are the traditional ones in Health Sciences: the Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical programmes provided in English and German. International training courses and specializations (mostly in English, German and

## International Training Programmes

International study programmes have been available at the University of Szeged since 1985. International students have the possibility to study at all three levels of training (BA/BSc, MA/MSc and PhD) in subjects such as Medicine, Pharmacy, Law or Economics in a constantly broadening range of training courses. We welcome students of an increasing number of nationalities: in the first semester of the academic year 2013/2014, over 2,300 students of 84 nationalities arrived to study at the University of Szeged.

French) are offered at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Economics, the Faculty of Agriculture, the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Informatics and the Faculty of Music.

number of faculties: **12+1**

number of bachelor programmes: **282**

number of master programmes: **384**

number of undivided degree programmes: **259**

number of postgraduate specialist training programmes: **85**

total number of programmes: **1025**





A high standard of education demands a pleasant environment. The University of Szeged does not have a campus, but in place of that it has a unique charm. In the city centre and across the river, old, eclectic or modern university buildings are to be found around every corner. Our educational, study and meeting point is the University of Szeged József Attila Study and Information Centre, a multiple architectural prize winner, included among the ten most beautiful libraries in the world. This is where the "heart of the university beats". Besides the construction of this outstanding glass building, a number of development projects have led to the renewal of several university buildings.



The Faculty of Economics is a pioneer of e-learning. Wherever possible, distance learning has been introduced in the training courses for the entire duration of the programme.

The great number of students who earn their degrees here each year all confirm that the University of Szeged is a modern, integrated institution, where talent management is important, where we care for students and where there is a well-constructed, well-functioning method of mentoring. We raise researchers.

We grant degrees to students who we hope will become the best in their profession.

Talent management is regarded as extremely important. We are very proud of the Foundation for the Future of Biomedical Sciences in Szeged, with the help of which talented university and high school students have the possibility to meet international academics, including numerous Nobel Laureates who visit our university.

The Talent Centre, operating at the University since 2010, seeks out and supports talented university students and coordinates talent management programmes. In this field we cooperate with a number of foundations: the Pro Talenti Universitatis Foundation, for instance, searches for and supervises students with outstanding abilities. The development of both personal and professional competence is considered important by the Foundation, and it additionally helps towards the achievement of new, internationally significant scientific results and promotes the recognition of researchers' results at home.





We pride ourselves on having alumni who cherish their Alma Mater and believe in supporting talent and learning. Since the establishment of the József Sófi Foundation for Talents in Szeged in 2001, the University has granted scholarships worth more than 10 million HUF to students with outstanding scientific and academic achievements. The Sófi Foundation, operating as part of the Talent Centre, not only aims at the moral recognition of students' research results, but also keeps track of them and assists them in their future careers. The Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Economics and the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences likewise support their outstanding students with their own scholarship programmes, as do the number of partnering companies of our University that acknowledge the academic achievements, diligence and abilities of talented Hungarian and foreign students with their financial support.



### Quality improvement

The two main pillars of the quality management system at the University of Szeged are quality assessment and the implementation of quality-oriented leadership. Our aim is to operate an internationally competitive, sustainable, quality-oriented, excellent university that is closely linked to the local economy. It is extremely important to improve the quality management system at the University by developing the IT background and the strategic management of quality improvement indicators.

The implementation of the basic tasks of the University and the quality operation of its organizational units includes the acquisition of accurate feedback data about the satisfaction of cooperating partners in the field of research and development. The level of student satisfaction is measured each year and the assessment has recently been extended to university citizens studying in English and German. The evaluation of the education is organized on an institutional basis. Employee satisfaction too is regularly surveyed. The University operates a continuously developing system that keeps track of the careers of our graduates.



# International Relations



## Our relations worldwide

The University of Szeged has good connections with more than 500 high-ranked universities worldwide. Among the international mobility programmes, the ERASMUS+ programme of the European Union is the most popular, within the frames of which the University cooperates with 423 partner universities in 31 countries on the basis of 783 bilateral agreements. The University of Szeged has participated in the Central European

Exchange Programme for University Studies (CEEPUS) since 1994, achieving common curriculum development, the exchange of students on scholarships, and the organizations of summer schools with 65 partner universities in 9 networks. Supported by the CAMPUS Hungary Programme established by the government of Hungary, 1350 university members, among them more than 1000 students, have applied successfully for study trips.

Educational institutions and the knowledge acquired there are ranked in various ways. The University of Szeged has achieved excellent results in the two most acknowledged international rankings. In 2014 the University of Szeged was ranked highest of the Hungarian higher education institutions on the QS World University list. The University has attained a similar position on the Chinese Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU), which has placed the University of Szeged among the world elite: the top 500. On the QS ranking the University is in the top 10 per cent of the world's higher education institutions, while on the ARWU list it is in the top 20 per cent. The University has received good and excellent classifications on the U-Multirank, created by the European Commission.



Evidence of the strengthening of our relationships is exemplified by the fact that the Confucius Institute opened its doors in Szeged in 2012 with the cooperation of Shanghai International Studies University, supported by the Chinese Language Education Council. Those interested can learn Chinese in the Institute with the help of qualified Chinese teachers, who lay special emphasis on the presentation of Chinese culture. A Francophone University Centre has recently been established at the University of Szeged and French courses have been accredited among the wide range of other courses.



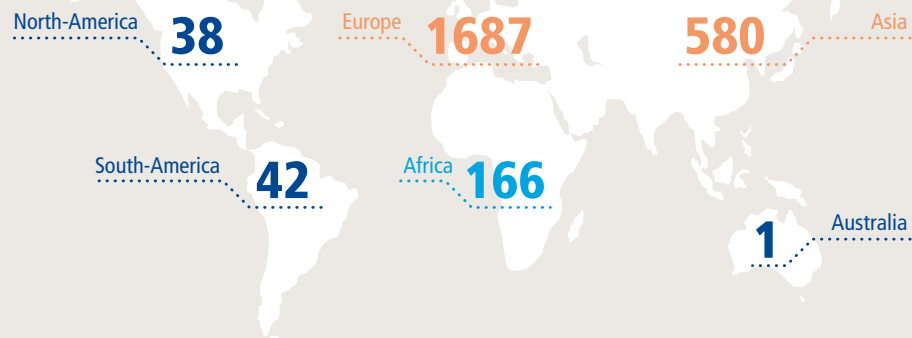
The international units at the University manage international relations on various levels and continuously seek the opportunity to establish new relations in accord with its internationalization strategy. In close cooperation with the Hungarian Rectors' Conference and the Balassi Institute, the University of Szeged plays an active role in receiving foreign students arriving in the framework of inter-state agreements, as a result of which ever-better relations have been achieved with embassies and consulates.

In the Science Without Borders Programme, Brazilian students are engaged in courses at a number of Faculties and, thanks to the Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship, students from all parts of the world attend many Departments of the University.



Internationalization at the University of Szeged dates from the 1980s: in the medical fields, education in the English language started 30 years ago, and foreign language programmes at all levels of education have subsequently regularly been launched in almost all areas of science. The management of the University considers it a strategic decision to attract an increasing number of students to Szeged because it is a historical task of the University to share its intellectual values with those in other countries, and especially developing countries.

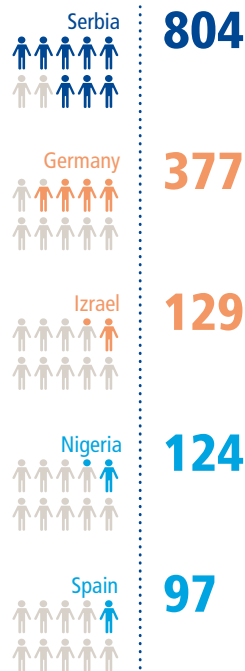
Number of international students by continent  
2014/2015/1



Number of international students



TOP 5 countries



The Institution Evaluation Programme




The management of the University of Szeged considers it important that, besides achieving excellent positions in international rankings, its own entire organizational and functional processes should be evaluated regularly. We therefore voluntarily participated in the internationally accepted Institutional Evaluation Programme administered by the European Universities Association (EUA) with independently accredited methods, and gained the highest achievable acknowledgement.

The University is entitled to use the logo 'Evaluated by – EUA-Institutional Evaluation Programme' for 5 years. It is our conviction that such international benchmarking promotes the improvement of our institution and will lead to further successes on the international stage.

# Research And Development



The 2,500 instructors and researchers at the University of Szeged are actively involved in national and international research projects. We have 19 Doctoral Schools and a numerous internationally renowned research teams. In 4 Faculties at the University, there are 14 research groups supported by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA). Since 2011, 5 MTA Momentum research teams have been operating here and a number of research teams have been granted European Research Council support. All of them are conducting pioneering activities in their own fields. Our researchers are also taking part in the National Brain Research Programme.

 number of Doctoral Schools	<b>19</b>
number of PhD programmes	<b>110</b>
number of topics announced in the Doctoral Schools	<b>≈700</b>
number of research groups supported by the MTA*	<b>14</b>
number of research groups supported by the MTA* Momentum Programme	<b>5</b>

\*MTA: Hungarian Academy of Sciences

The one-time Rector of the University of Szeged, Albert Szent-Györgyi, set the following goals for our institution: **“the gathering, spreading and enhancement of human knowledge”**; the teaching of future scientists “who will eventually take over this profession from us ...” and the raising of citizens who are “well equipped with intellectual weapons ...”; and “our institution has another special mission: to be the intellectual centre of the Great Hungarian Plain”.

This description of our mission phrased by the Nobel Laureate remains valid today and perfectly reflects the aims of the modern research university. The dedicated researchers and talented students at the University constantly prove that we are worthy of the heritage of Szent-Györgyi.



“ the gathering, spreading and enhancement of human knowledge

The University of Szeged is a research university, where outstanding research, development and innovation work is conducted. Continuous, strategic basic and applied research is of defining significance. Talent management is a priority task at all levels of training. In addition to the high standard of education, the research work carried out here, is internationally competitive, and there is also a broad range of cooperation in both research and training. The expression research university says it all, as does the term priority higher education institution. The latter qualification is granted only to those universities that possess high-level training and research capacities; that achieve research results in a number of scientific fields that qualify them to play significant roles in implementing strategic national objectives; that are capable of demonstrating outstanding attainments in international higher education rankings; and where international student mobility is prominent.







Thanks to the world-famous laser physicists and the laser physics school at the University, Szeged (together with Prague and Bucharest) received the opportunity to implement the ELI-ALPS Laser Research Centre, one of the largest scientific investments in Europe. The purpose of the Extreme Light Infrastructure Attosecond Light Pulse Source project is to establish a laser-based research institute where laser pulses and light sources generated by them will be accessible for international researchers. The Centre, which is being built in Szeged with European Union support amounting to over 60 billion HUF, is outstanding by being capable of generating an extremely large number of impulses of

very short duration within one second. The facility is not only capable of examining ultrafast elementary physical processes, but also permits the attainments of outstanding research results in biology, medicine and material sciences. The staff at the Laser Research Centre and at the University collaborate in organizing their research projects and training programmes on the basis of cooperation agreement. The first stage of the construction and technological developments will be completed in 2015 and research work can start in 2016. The entire complex is planned to be ready in 2017, and the laser technology will become fully operative in 2018.

- Laser Research Centre
- Hundreds of research activities
- The largest scientific investment supported by the European Union
- Almost 60 billion Ft invested
- Science Park



The research work continuing in these fields are internationally significant, and nationally defining. The researchers at the University regularly report on their results: the past 5 years, approximately 25,000 publications appeared in national and international journals and in connection with conferences. We are extremely proud of the fact that the intellectual portfolio of the University comprises 40 patents and 7 know-hows, a number of which have

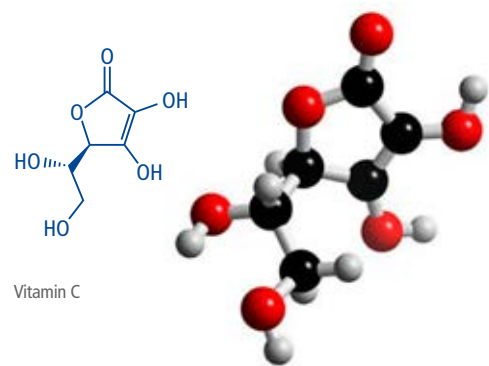
already been marketed through licence agreements and spin-off companies established for this purpose. Numerous research projects are conducted in the Szeged Biological Research Centre and in the Albert Szent-Györgyi Health Centre, and we are additionally in close contact with the ELI-ALPS Laser Research Centre, participating in a project currently under construction that is unique in Europe.



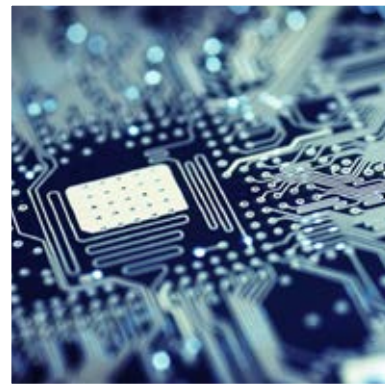
# Innovation

It may all have started with vitamin C, but scientists at the University of Szeged have since come a long way and can take pride in a large number of discoveries and innovations.

Albert Szent-Györgyi received the Nobel Prize in 1937 for his discoveries in connection with the biological combustion process with special reference to vitamin C and the catalysis of fumaric acid. He also recognized that Szeged paprika contained much more of the substance hexuronic acid (i.e. vitamin C) than citrus fruits: whereas merely one gram had previously been isolated, he succeeded in producing a whole kilogram. The University



of Szeged endeavours to make good use of this scientific heritage by continuing the constant quest for the new, laying great stress on innovation and providing maximum support to its researchers. This is well illustrated by the existence of Directorate for Research, Development and Innovation at the University. The Directorate supports the development, management and utilization of the intellectual



property portfolio of the University, and the creation and management of partnerships of the University with strategic industrial partners, spin-off companies and other groups. It is a key task of the Directorate to offer the research capacity of the University of Szeged to its industrial partners, to encourage and promote research collaboration and develop projects, and to support the industrial utilization of the results of research projects.

Thanks to the work done during the past few years, the University has established research and development collaboration with such internationally predominant foreign and national companies as Richter Gedeon, Egis, TEVA, Ericsson, GE Healthcare, Nokia, the Hungarian Oil and Gas Company (MOL), Hungarian Telekom and Solvo Biotechnology.





Meeting the research and development needs of industrial partners has resulted in a revenue of 4.17 billion HUF over the past 5 years. The patent portfolio of the University contains 43 items of intellectual property, including non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, P2P communication, gel formulations suitable for cleaning pipes and pipe networks, laser tattoo removal, antitumour bacterial products, and a high-resolution optical

microscope operating on the principle of image reconstruction, to mention just a few. To achieve these results, the University has carried out a series of investments to promote the professional activities of our researchers. Talented students are also encouraged: the Centre for Economic and Business Development at the University pays special attention to its talented students, helping them to achieve their business ideas. With the aim

of enhancing entrepreneurial activity and success, the Centre offers a range of enterprise development services in the fields of business development and finance for both existing and potential businesses. It helps those interested to become entrepreneurs, to improve their entrepreneurial skills, and to establish start-up and spin-off organizations, encouraging the success of creative ideas. We are very proud that our students were among the

developers of the Microsoft Prize winning mobile application called TEP, which encourages users to play sports in a playful manner. Another success story is that of students who mostly graduated from the University of Szeged: the company Antavo Ltd., founded in London, has developed software which facilitates the management of excellent promotional campaigns without previous experience.

**1,5 million HUF**

revenues from the utilization of intellectual property (2013)

**20.000 m<sup>2</sup>**

effective laboratory surface for R&D&I activity

**7,4 billion HUF**

income from grants (2013)

**4.147 billion HUF**

income from R&D services (2009-2013)



# Health Care

The researchers and physicians at the University of Szeged strive to be faithful to its mission in health care. A tremendous amount of intellectual capital has accumulated in our institutions, and experienced physicians are followed by the coming generations of young talent year after year.



The Albert Szent-Györgyi Health Centre was established as the legal successor of the Albert Szent-Györgyi Medical and Pharmaceutical Centre in 2007, the patient care thereby becoming more integrated, more transparent and easier to organize. This was a necessary and inevitable step, since the Centre is responsible for the entire health care system of Szeged and is the most significant in- and outpatient care institution in the region. Thousands of patients are treated in the Health Centre daily, but research focusing on as yet incurable diseases has additionally been performed here for decades. Our researchers, both men and women (we are especially proud of the latter), combine their successful research activities with their educational and clinical work as instructors and physicians among the best of their profession.

We are very proud of continuing the heritage of Szent-Györgyi: besides our research results, this is demonstrated by the thousands of patients cured in the world-class, new 265-bed hospital building. Eleven patient care units are housed in this five-storey complex. They include the Emergency Care Unit, equipped with the most up-to-date instruments and run by the most modern patient management system. As concerns a number of technological novelties, we may highlight the pneumatic tube transport system, planned to be completed in 2015, which will deliver other medical samples to the laboratory for examination within merely a few minutes. We are very proud of having produced the most modern Surgical Centre in Hungary. The unit is equipped with state-of-the-art technology, such as high-frequency surgical, ultrasound and liver resection instrumentation.



Among the outstanding professional achievements, since the academic year 2013/2014 the training at the Faculty of Dentistry has been conducted according to a reformed curriculum. This places great emphasis on the introduction and teaching of subjects specifically customized for dental training, and also allows specialization. As a result, it fully meets the latest European Union requirements.



Nothing can illustrate the outstanding qualities of our professionals better than the number of unique operations and interventions performed here first in Hungary. Mention may be made in this respect of novel hearing device implementation surgery by Professor László Rovó at our Department of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology and Head and Neck Surgery. Few years ago, demonstration heart surgery was performed in our Cardiology Centre: a coronary catheterization surgical procedure was broadcast live and followed by more than a hundred physicians. In 2008, Siamese twins, Melinda and Isabella from Kispereg, were successfully separated by brilliant surgery performed by Professor Kristóf Füzesi in a 7-hour operation, the event receiving worldwide media publicity.

Since its establishment, the Albert Szent-Györgyi Health Centre has received several high-level acknowledgements. To mention merely the most recent ones: the IIASA-SHIBA Quality Management Award, and its acknowledgement as a University of Excellence.



# A Green University



Solar cell energy production exerts an influence on the whole of our infrastructure and results in tens of millions of forints of saving, while it reduces our ecological footprint. The green developments of the Study and Information Centre, the university buildings functioning on the basis of environment-friendly principles, the large success of geothermal energy and campaigns inspiring energy saving are clear-cut examples of our green university programme.

The selective waste collection carried out in the university buildings, the solar fields, the heat wells, the heat suction-pump, the system recycling grey water, the PlanibelTri glass technology, the mini solar system and the geothermal heating system are ample reflections of our environment-consciousness, as in the widespread bicycle use.

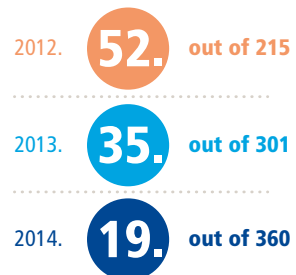
What can a university provide to its students? Without a doubt, knowledge, love of the chosen profession, and the attitude to life. We consider it an extremely important task to help shape the way of thinking and the attitude of our students. That is exactly why we launched a "greening" programme covering increasingly diverse areas a few years ago, hallmarked by the University of Szeged József Attila Study and Information Centre, which celebrates its 10-year existence in 2015. Our university intentionally invests energy and money in the shaping of the way of thinking of our students.

Its green mentality has contributed significantly to the fact that the University of Szeged has continuously been improving its already high position in the Indonesian UI GreenMetricRanking of World Universities ranking. In 2014, the University of Szeged reached a position among the best: out of 360 higher education institutions in 62 countries, we were 19th, and among European universities we were 11th.

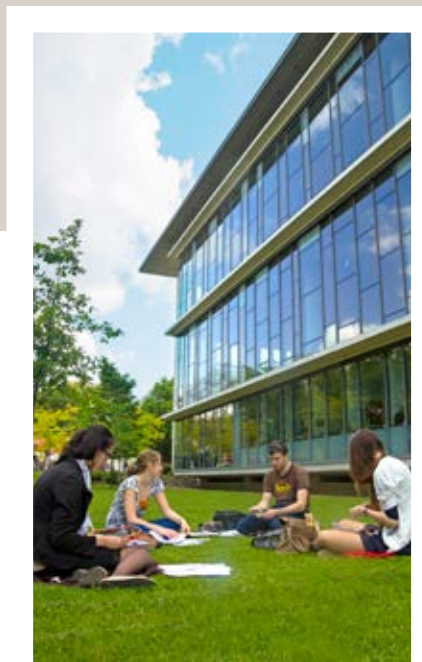
We are fortunate because, in this era of environment-consciousness and the desire for environment protection, we can cooperate with a generation whose members very seriously believe, in contrast with previous generations, that the Earth has not been inherited from our fathers, but is lent to us by our grandchildren.



The University of Szeged is the "greenest" Hungarian university.



The positive tendency of the University results in UI Greenmetric Ranking.



The management of the University of Szeged has paid and continues to pay a great deal of attention to large investments during which the principles of energy-efficiency, environment-consciousness and energy-economic and environment-friendly technology are all kept in focus.

On the green island of the university, the Botanical Garden, the greenhouse was rebuilt in 2010, the phytotron reconstruction was completed and the water habitats were rehabilitated.

# Szeged



A City within a city – an expression referring to how the University of Szeged, with its 32,000 students and employees, forms an organic part of the city of Szeged. It is virtually impossible to imagine Kárász street, Dugonics square, the terraced cafés, the varied cultural programmes and the numerous festivals without university students.

It is a good feeling to be a student at the University of Szeged: to be awaited by lively cultural programmes. The Cultural Office of the University organizes events on a grand scale for both the students and the residents of the city, the most notable being the Autumn Cultural Festival and the University Spring programme series. The Office popularizes and support autonomous groups, such as the Szeged University Theatre, the Szeged University Choir and the Universitas Symphonic Choir. Students of the University of Szeged can buy student entry tickets and Universitas season tickets to the Szeged National Theatre at a discount price.



It is a good feeling to be a university student: there may not be a central campus, but the Study and Information Centre, including the university library, classrooms and bright and spacious learning areas, is a modern glass palace that has become the heart of the University.

It is also a good feeling to be a university student in Szeged because the University promotes cycling: the moment spring arrives, hundreds of cyclists appear on the streets. It is a good feeling to be a student in this city because the infrastructure competes with that of the capital: a modern trolleybus and tram network, swimming pools, a theatre, and inexhaustible sports, entertainment and relaxation opportunities.





In the city, one festival follows another from spring to autumn: tens of thousands of people are attracted by the Szeged Day celebration series, the Bridge Fair, the Wine Festival, the Szeged Open-air Festival, the Fisherman's Soup Festival and other gastronomic events and the summer-closing Szeged Youth Days, billing international stars. Young students who enjoy the night life are catered for with weekday faculty parties and major faculty events. The club considered the most 'university-like' is located in the basement of the building of the Rector's Office. Those who prefer relaxation and rest can similarly find satisfying programmes in Szeged. The REÖK All-Cultural Centre, the Szeged Zoo, and the University Botanical Garden, accessible at a discount price for university members, are all great places for an enjoyable day out and relaxation. The Szeged Open-air Festival, vitamin C, Szeged paprika and fisherman's soup are known worldwide. It is therefore no surprise that in 2014 Szeged was ranked

among the 10 best university cities in the world on the CondéNastTraveler website, along with such university cities as Heidelberg, Cracow, Leuven and Oxford. Szeged was placed 5th in the top 100 list of the Trivago international website, which measures the best travel destinations throughout of the world on a price-value basis.



The University Sports Centre offers a wide range of courses; besides traditional sports, lovers of extreme sports can also find one to their liking, for example dragon-boat courses. Natasa Janics and Attila Vajda, both Olympic champions, in kayak and canoe, respectively, are graduates of our University. The University of Szeged provides financial support for top sportspeople: the men's basketball team Naturtex-SZTE-SZEDEÁK, the top-class women's water-polo team Szegedi Vízmű Taylor&Nash Szegedi Egyetem, the Universitas SC Teacher Training football team and the SZTE EHÖK (student government) teams all bear the name of the University. We support students playing in clubs bearing the name of the University and achieving good academic results with the University Talentpoint „Good student, good sportsman scholarship”. Mass sports are also important: students with a student identification card can visit various sports events in the city, such as the handball matches of Pick Szeged, at a discount price.

# The History of Our University

## 1581

The foundation letter of the University of Kolozsvár in Vilna was issued by István Báthory (1533-1586), Prince of Transylvania. This may be considered the historical and institutional origin of the University of Szeged.

The mid-19th century

Institutions began to function in Szeged that can be regarded as the predecessors of today's university organization, through at that time they functioned totally independently of each other: a teacher's training institute, the Law Academy, the City Music School and the School of Agriculture.

## 1872

The second Hungarian university was founded in Kolozsvár, under the name József Ferenc University.

## 1921

The first academic year of József Ferenc University was ceremoniously opened by Rector Gáspár Menyhárt, and a few years later the construction of the university buildings got under way with the placing of the foundation stone at the site of today's Paediatric Clinic.

## 1930

Construction of the university buildings in Dom



Square, the botanical garden and the sports fields took place.

## 1937

Albert Szent-Györgyi was awarded the Nobel Prize.

## 1940

After the second Treaty of Vienna, József Ferenc University was relocated to Kolozsvár, and a new institution called Miklós Horthy University was established in its place in Szeged. Albert Szent-Györgyi was appointed Rector of the University.

## 1945

The University was renamed after the city, the University of Szeged.

## 1951

The Medical Faculty separated from the University of Szeged and began to function as an independent university.

## 1962

The University of Szeged adopted the name of the poet Attila József.

## 1987

The Medical University of Szeged adopted the name of its Nobel laureate, Albert Szent-Györgyi.

## 1996

A statement of intent to create the Szeged University Association was signed by Attila József University, Albert Szent-Györgyi Medical University, Gyula Juhász Teacher's Training College, Ferenc Liszt Musical College, the Szeged Food Industry Faculty of the University of Gardening and Food Industry, the Faculty (Hódmezővásárhely) of the University of Agriculture of Debrecen and, as associate members, the College of Theology and the Szeged Biological Centre of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

## 2000

With the unification of Attila József University, Albert Szent-Györgyi Medical University, Gyula Juhász Teacher's Training College, the Food Industry College of Szeged and the Agricultural College of the University of Agriculture of Debrecen, the new University of Szeged was established.

## 2003

The longstanding Szeged Conservatory began to function as the 11th Faculty of the University of Szeged.

## 2004

The new building, the University of Szeged József Attila Study and Information Centre, a large part of which is occupied by the unified University Library, was inaugurated. A year later, the Centre was named after the poet Attila József.

## 2009

The University of Szeged was awarded the Higher Education Quality Prize.

## 2010

The University was awarded the title of Research University

## 2012

The second official Confucius Institute in Hungary opened its doors in the building of the Rector's Office.

## 2013

The University of Szeged was awarded the title of University of Excellence.

## 2014

The foundation stone of the ELI Laser Research Centre was ceremoniously laid in Szeged.





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