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WELCOME TO EÖTVÖS LORÁND UNIVERSITY

Eötvös Loránd University (abbreviated as ELTE) - in terms of student and staff number, quality of education and research, its international relations and prestige - is an elite institution of state higher education in Hungary, which has been operating since 1635.

We are all proud of the fact that the professors and alumni of ELTE have always played a significant role both in the Hungarian and international scientific, cultural, and political life.

In an ever-changing Hungarian and international environment, the main objective of Eötvös Loránd University is to preserve its traditions and at the same time to meet the challenges of modern times and become the regional centre of higher education, research and development in Central Europe. It is extremely important for us to strengthen our position in the European Higher Education and Research Area.

Eötvös Loránd University has extensive relationships with institutions of higher education and international organizations all over the world both in the field of education and research. In order to maintain the high quality of research and education it is essential, however, that ELTE builds an effective partnership not only with academic institutions but also with the representatives of the Hungarian and international business community.

We are ready to develop our international relationships and wish to invite more foreign students to complete their studies and obtain a degree from our university. The high prestige of our degree can guarantee that Eötvös Loránd University remains a prominent institution, a landmark in Hungarian and international higher education in the 21st century. Our goal is nothing less than upholding high standards of excellence.

PROF. DR. BARNÁ MEZÉY
Rector
Eötvös Loránd University
Eötvös Loránd University is Hungary’s oldest and largest university. It was founded in Nagyszombat (today Trnava, Slovakia) in 1635 by Péter Pázmány, the Archbishop of Esztergom, who entrusted the Jesuit order with the governance of the university. The first two faculties were the Faculty of Theology and the Faculty of Arts, and as early as 1667 the Faculty of Law was opened. The university had the right to award degrees and titles from the very beginning of its existence.

**After the Dissolution of the Jesuits**

During the 18th century, ELTE gradually came under government control, and with the foundation of the Medical Faculty in 1769 it became a classical university with four faculties. After the dissolution of the Jesuit order, the university was moved to the Royal Palace in Buda, according to the original wishes of Péter Pázmány. In 1784, however, it was moved to Pest.

**During the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy**

The most intensive period of development started in 1867 after the Austro-Hungarian Compromise, which resulted in the establishment of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy. At that time the staff included not only outstanding European lecturers but also world famous scientists. At the turn of the century, ELTE was one of the 15 largest universities in the world.

**In the 20th Century**

In 1949, the Faculty of Science became independent of the Faculty of Arts, and in 1950 the university adopted the name of Eötvös Loránd (1848-1919), a professor of Physics of international repute (notably for his work on the equivalence of gravitational and internal mass). The planning and building of the campus in Lágymányos (South Buda) started in the mid-eighties and was completed in September 2001. In January 2000, the Bárczi Gusztáv College of Special Education, and the College of Primary and Nursery School Teachers’ Training were integrated into ELTE.

**Today: Structural Reorganization**

In the course of the structural reorganization of the university in 2003, three new faculties were opened. These are the Faculty of Informatics, the Faculty of Education and Psychology, and the Faculty of Social Sciences. The Teacher Training College, which had been part of the university since 1983, was incorporated into the above mentioned faculties.
Budapest is often called the "Pearl of the Danube", and it truly is a stunningly beautiful place. Geography, history and human creativity have all contributed to create a city that simultaneously charms, amazes and fascinates. Budapest is full of diversity, and so is its history.

Under Roman Rule

The area of the capital has been inhabited for thousands of years. It is known for its Celtic settlements from the 3rd century BC. In the first decades, BC Transdanubia was conquered by the Romans, who incorporated it into the Roman Empire under the name of Pannonia. Aquincum (now Óbuda) developed into the capital of Pannonia. The Hungarians appeared here in the late 9th century. They established their first settlements on the island of Csepel and in Aquincum.

New Settlers

The new settlers built a centre on both sides of the river. Interestingly, both parts came collectively to be known as Pest. The name Buda came somewhat later, during the reign of King Béla IV. When Hungary was invaded and devastated by the Mongols (1241–1242), King Béla ordered new castles and fortresses to be built around the country.

Turkish Rule

Buda became the royal seat around the turn of the 15th century under the rule of Sigismund of Luxembourg. The Royal Palace grew even larger until its zenith was reached under King Matthias (ruled 1458–1490). Pest also prospered at this time, and Matthias raised it to equal rank with Buda. Following the Hungarian defeat at the Battle of Mohács (1526), the Turks sacked and burned Buda. Pest and Óbuda suffered dreadfully as a result of the century-and-a-half of Turkish rule that followed. The Turks did, however, build baths fed by the hot springs. Their cupolas appear on contemporary engravings, and of course some of them are still extant today - the most visible legacy of that period.
Maria Theresa and Joseph II

Buda was freed from Turkish rule in 1686, and so began the next period of development. Many places outside the capital gained the right to hold markets, and there were social developments as well. A printing press was established in Buda in 1724, and a few years later, Empress Maria Theresa had the country’s university (the predecessor of Eötvös Loránd University) moved here from Nagyszombat (today Trnava in Slovakia), bringing qualified tutors with her. Emperor Joseph II later switched it from Buda to Pest, a move which promoted a big growth in Hungarian language, literature, because up until that time the dominant language of culture in Buda had been German. The Hungarian Academy of Science, the Kisfaludy Society, and the National Theatre together played a pivotal role in the social development of the city.

The Unification of Buda and Pest

The next challenge was to build the first permanent bridge over the River Danube - the Chain Bridge, today still the most recognizable symbol of the city - and the logical conclusion of that was the legislative unification in 1873 of Buda, Pest and Óbuda into one city - Budapest. The great boulevards were laid down - most notably Andrássy út - and the transformation of Budapest into a modern world-class city began. There was an even greater impetus at the end of the nineteenth century as Hungary celebrated the millenary anniversary of the Hungarian Conquest. The first continental underground railway was built.

Industrialization

The political Compromise between Hungary and Austria in 1867 led to the beginning of the industrialization of Budapest. Agricultural industries, milling and food industries all moved into the capital, and engineering industries grew. The railways were built, and, as the major roads, they all radiate out from Budapest. Budapest itself did not suffer particularly in the First World War; so after a brief halt, the process of development resumed. As the city continued to grow, neighbouring suburbs were absorbed into four new administrative districts.

After the Second World War

The Second World War, however, had a catastrophic effect. Apart from the horrifying cost in terms of human lives, the architectural splendour of the city was brought to ruin. Each of the bridges over the River Danube was blown up by the retreating Germans. The authorities managed to replace these bridges within four years, as work to rebuild the city progressed very quickly. There was a further administrative enlargement in 1950, when more neighbouring towns were absorbed; the city now comprised 22 districts.
Future Developments

Large-scale building of blocks of flats took place in the 1960’s, followed by construction of two new underground lines. The Lágymányosi Bridge, the new National Theatre and the National Concert Hall have all appeared since the fall of Communism. There are many further developments planned, including the construction of the fourth underground line.
FACTS AND FIGURES

ELTE is one of the most popular institutions in Hungary and receives the highest number of applications for admission every year. In 2011, the university received the 19 percent of the national applications and 36 percent of our applicants were admitted to one of our programmes. We have 9,745 first-year students.

The university offers 38 Bachelor’s degree programmes in 9 fields of study, 90 Master’s in 6 fields of study and 116 doctoral programmes in 17 doctoral schools. 7.5 percent of our courses are taught in English or in other foreign languages. The university has 29,850 students and 1,592 academic staff members.
As mentioned previously, Eötvös Loránd University has international relations with universities all over the world. The university has formal agreements for cooperation and exchange with 400 universities in Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America at an institutional or a faculty level. The main areas of cooperation are joint training and research projects, joint participation in international conferences and workshops, accreditation of courses and the exchange of students and guest professors.

The university offers several summer programmes to the international community, including the ELTE Hungarian Summer University for the Carpathian Basin, the ELTE HLCCP (Hungarian Language Course and Cultural Programme), the ELTE EILC (Erasmus Intensive Language Course), the ELTE-Heidelberg Summer University, the LL.M. in US and Global Business Law for International Business Lawyers Summer University and the Health Technology Assessment, a one-week short-term programme about the implementation of Health Technology Assessment in middle income Central Eastern European countries, organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences.

ELTE is a member of AUDEM (Alliance of Universities for Democracy), EUA (European University Association), UNICA (Universities from Capitals of Europe), the Coimbra Group, the Utrecht Network, the Danube Rectors’ Conference, the CEI UniNet (Central European Initiative University Network) and the IAUP (International Association of University Presidents). ELTE is the only higher education institution in Hungary which takes an active part in so many prestigious university networks.

Student and staff mobility at ELTE is supported by CEEPUS, DAAD and numerous LLP projects, including Leonardo, Grundtvig and Erasmus programmes. Germany, Great Britain and France are among our outgoing Erasmus students’ favourite destinations. For incoming Erasmus students, our university provides an Orientation Day, an excellent education and several cultural programmes.
International Opportunities

ELTE is proud to be able to present its students (not only from the Master stage but also from the Bachelor level) and staff the possibility to visit other countries and cultures in order to broaden their horizons and increase their cultural awareness. The university continues to develop and maintain international relations for the benefit of both Hungarian and foreign students. Students of ELTE can go to study at prestigious universities in Europe and the US, including University College London, the University of Cambridge, the University of Oxford, the University of Edinburgh, Harvard or Columbia University.

University Networks and Industry Partnerships

Eötvös Loránd University has extensive relationships with institutions of higher education and international organisations all over the world both in the field of education and research. Our university is a member of major university networks such as the Coimbra Group, the Utrecht Network and the European University Association. Through these networks, ELTE is in contact with institutions such as the University of Cambridge or the University of Oxford.

In order to maintain the high quality of research and education it is essential, however, that ELTE builds an effective partnership not only with academic institutions but also with the representatives of the Hungarian and international business community. The university received financial support from IBM to establish special language laboratories. It has joint programmes with the MOL Group, strategic framework agreement with Sanofi-Aventis/Chinoin, cooperation with Magyar Telecom and a partnership with Ericsson. These partnerships provide excellent opportunities for students to get out of the classroom and apply their skills in a professional setting.
Eötvös Loránd University has an excellent reputation both in Hungary and abroad. In terms of student population, ELTE is one of the most international universities in Europe. It has students from more than 75 different countries.

The university offers quality education to the international community and a great place to conduct research. Its programmes are accredited by the Hungarian Accreditation Board. The diplomas issued by Eötvös Loránd University are acknowledged worldwide, and its course credits are transferable in all countries in the European Union. The university offers several degree programmes at undergraduate (BA/BSc), graduate (MA/MA) as well as postgraduate (PhD) levels which do not require Hungarian proficiency. Besides the regular bachelor’s and master’s programmes, ELTE and its partner institutions also offer several joint programmes. These programmes are unique in the sense that they provide students an opportunity to study abroad. Students can choose an entry university for the first year of their studies and then for the second year another European top university where they can complete their master’s thesis. Graduates of our joint programmes can receive double degrees and an exceptional academic experience.

### ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES OFFERED TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Training

ELTE offers one or two semester trainings, short courses and seminar series. The trainings are offered in all the previously mentioned fields of study and also in Special Education (in English and German languages). For further information, please visit the website of the Faculty of Special Education: www.barcsi.elte.hu

If you wish to study law, but you are not proficient in Hungarian, you can attend one of our trainings offered in English, French or German languages. The webpage of the Faculty of Law can give you more information on the application process for these training. Please, visit www.ajk.elte.hu

Completed courses are acknowledged with a certificate.

Pre-University Programmes

Students who choose to study at ELTE, but do not meet the requirements for admission to our Bachelor programmes, can take preparatory courses. The curriculum for pre-university programmes consists of topics relevant to the appropriate BA/BSc programme. A successfully completed preparatory programme is acknowledged with a certificate, and automatically guarantees admission to the (relevant) BA/BSc programme.

The Foreign Language Training Institute of Eötvös Loránd University provides a preparatory training programme in Hungarian language and culture for foreign students. These courses are recommended for those who wish to study in Hungarian but cannot begin their studies because their command of the Hungarian language is not good enough, or for those who would like to improve their language skills while studying at the university. For further information on the Hungarian language and culture programme, please visit the website of the Foreign Language Training Institute: www.itk.hu

Degrees and Certificates

Degrees (BA/BSc, MA/MSc and PhD) are issued after the successful completion of our programmes, i.e. after gaining the required number of credits and submission and defence of a thesis. Certificates are issued after finishing a course or seminar series. When a course has assigned credits, the certificate can be obtained after accumulating the necessary number of credits.

Fees and costs

Tuition fees

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For additional fees, refund policy and the way of payment, please visit the website of the appropriate programme or consult the section on Academic Programmes offered to International Students in this brochure.

Additional costs (EUR)

- Books: 400-800/year
- Health insurance: ~60/month
- Renting an apartment (without utilities): 200-500/month
- Utilities: ~200/month

For details and guidelines, as well as application forms, please visit the relevant programme’s website or http://www.elte.hu/en/degree-programmes
FIRST-CLASS FACILITIES

SERVICES

University Library

Study and research are supported by the faculty libraries and the renowned University Library founded in 1561, making it the oldest standing library in Hungary. Today, the holdings of the University Library amount to 2 million titles, over 200,000 journals, 600 online periodicals, and 100 databases on the internet. Besides the traditional library services, such as lending, interlibrary loan and copying, the library provides access to e-text archives, online copies of printed documents, electronic-only materials and CD-ROMs.

Student Services

In order to make foreign students settle in quickly and more easily, and to make their experience as good as possible, ELTE operates a mentor system. The scheme allocates native students to foreign students, thereby acquainting them with each other and ensuring that the new candidates from abroad enjoy the benefits of being guided by senior students.

Career Service Centre

The Career Service Centre helps students learn practical skills during their studies. ELTE understands the importance of such skills and as the labour market seeks more and more versatile and skilled people, the need to give students the edge over others who only receive theoretical knowledge grew to the extent where the creation of the centre was highly desirable. The Centre provides workshops, career management trainings and personal guidance from trained career counsellors. It assists students and alumni in finding employment and informs them about voluntary works and internship opportunities.

Hungarian Language Courses, Cultural and Sport Activities

Furthermore, the university offers Hungarian language courses in autumn and spring semesters, intensive Hungarian language courses in the summer term, sport facilities (for instance: athletics, handball, basketball, football, tennis and water sports), opportunities for studying abroad and an Alumni-club for its former and current students. The various cultural and social activities on campus are organised by the Student Union. For international students, our housing agency can provide dormitories or flats if requested. These accommodations are located in the heart of Budapest and offered to students for an affordable price.
ELTE has eight faculties participating in several research projects. These projects are completed under the direction of our internationally recognized researchers. These scholars come from very diverse areas of study—natural sciences, humanities, law, social sciences, education and psychology—and work together in an interdisciplinary manner. The ELTE online newsletter comes out once a month and provides information on these research activities and recent developments to the students and the staff members.

Climate Modeling
Faculty of Science

Judit Bartholy’s team is performing regional weather simulations using ENSEMBLE-type climate models. The models provide information on how Hungary’s climate may change in the coming century. The results of this research have practical applications for those making decisions in government, society, business, agriculture and disaster management.

Molecular Interaction Fingerprinting
Faculty of Science

András Málnás-Csizmádia’s team of researchers has developed a bioinformatic method called the Molecular Interaction Fingerprint (MIF). This exciting tool offers new ways to systematically screen potential medications and to identify new effects of current ones. The results of their work are verified by a robotised system.

Research in Atypical Cognitive Development
Guszáv Bárczi Faculty of Special Education

Under the direction of Miklós Győri, the Workshop of Supporting Technology and Eye-Tracking was recently formed. The main goals of this research and development efforts are to better understand the different phenomena of atypical cognitive development and to find new diagnostic and supportive solutions in the field of information. The areas of investigation are autism spectrum disorder, a wide range of intellectual disabilities, and cortex-based visual perception disorders.

New EEG Laboratory
Faculty of Education and Psychology

ELTE boasts a new EEG laboratory outfitted with IT infrastructure and equipped with 128-channel EEG devices optimised for small children. The high-density recording net can be placed on the head of each subject easily and with great precision. The device records surface signals of the subject’s brain activity with great accuracy. This world-class system forms the basis for a long-term research programme led by Ildikó Király. Electrophysiological experiments take place at the fa-
mous behaviour analysis laboratory. In addition to examining the development of memory in newborn children, experiments focusing on speech development and categorisation are also conducted here. Students have the possibility to take part in the research process.

**Teaching in Three Dimensions**  
**Faculty of Informatics**

Márta Turcsányi-Szabó is studying the topic of virtual reality in a project entitled “Adaptive Educational Technology: Cooperation Using Distributed Intelligent Systems.” The goal of this research is to integrate virtual and real environments for educational purposes, to explore the possibilities of Augmented Reality (AR), and to develop “mashup” web applications based on locative activities connected to diverse, simple tools.

**Teaching in the Virtual World**  
**Faculty of Education and Psychology**

Current research being conducted by János Ollé aims to integrate virtual and real worlds, and its primary goal is to develop a special teaching environment. Within this subject, the team is examining how users in this virtual environment cooperate and work together in groups with three-dimensional beings under their control (avatars). They are looking for answers to how people cooperate when organising their studies in this environment, what skills are required of instructors, and what group dynamics play out.

**Key Research Areas and Future Developments**

- Promoting the investigation of Nanosystems
- More Support for Climate and Environmental Research
- Fostering Our Participation in Global and European Research Networks
- Creating More Mobility Programmes to our Students and Staff Members
- Developing Doctoral Training Centre Programmes
- Operating Multidisciplinary Virtual Centres
- Encouraging our Staff Members to take part in International Researches
- Co-operations with Market Actors and Government Bodies
- Enhancing the quality and quantity of Publications
- Encouraging our Academics to Publish in Foreign Languages
- Establishing more Laboratories in the Faculties
Hungary signed the Bologna Declaration in 1999, which enables Hungarian higher education to take part in shaping the European Higher Education Area. The structure of the Hungarian higher education offering university and college-level education was gradually replaced by the new multi-cycle course structure. The first cycle within the new system comprises six to eight semesters (180-240 credits). At the end of this cycle, which offers a bachelor’s degree, one can obtain professional skills that can be useful in the labour market. At the same time, the qualification equips graduates with adequate academic foundation and entitles them to continue their studies in the next cycle to obtain a master’s degree. As part of the bachelor’s programmes, students are often engaged in some sort of voluntary work, an internship or a one-semester professional practice. Master courses last for two to four semesters (60-120 credits), except for the teacher training, which lasts five semesters (150 credits) and can lead either to the labour market or a PhD training. PhD courses consist of six semesters (180 credits). Students may be admitted to our PhD programmes only after having completed the master’s stage.
History

Right after the foundation of the university in 1635, the Faculty of Humanities began its educational work and except for wartime periods it has been operating with an increase in the number of students. The number of regular students including PhD candidates is around 10,000 making it the largest faculty at ELTE. The objective of the faculty is to teach special subjects that deal with the evolution of human culture, its content and intellectual essence.

Training

The Faculty of Humanities offers a wide range of degree programmes both at bachelor’s and master’s levels. Many of these programmes are unique as they are provided only at the Faculty of Humanities at ELTE in Hungary and Central Europe.

BA Programs

**Hungarian**
- Hungarian
- Estonian
- Finnish
- Finno-Ugric
- Folklore Studies
- Cultural Studies
- Language Mentor
- Language Technology
- Administration

**Ethnography**
- Archival Science
- Museology

**English and American Studies**
- English
- American Studies

**Germanic Studies**
- German
- German Minority Studies
- Netherlandic Studies
- Scandinavian Studies

**Romance Studies**
- French
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Spanish
- Romanian

**Slavonic Studies**
- Bulgarian
- Czech
- Croatian
- Polish
- Russian
- Serbian

**Ancient Languages and Cultures**
- Assyriology
- Egyptology
- Classical Studies

**Oriental Languages and Cultures**
- Arabic
- Hebrew Studies

**Liberal Arts**
- Philosophy
- Esthetics
- Film Theory and Film History
- Communication and

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Art History

Information and Library Studies
Book History
Information and Knowledge Management
EU Information

Communication and Media Studies
Journalism
Media Science

Disciplinary MAs
American Studies
Applied Linguistics

Interdisciplinary MAs

Media Studies
Arabic Studies
Archaeology
Archival Science
Art History
Assyriology
Bulgarian Language and Literature
Classical Studies
Communication and Media Studies
Croatian Language and Literature
Czech Language and Literature
Egyptology
English Studies
Esthetics
Ethics

Ethnography
Film Studies
Finno-Ugric Studies
French Language, Literature and Culture
German Language and Literature
German Literature and Culture
Hebrew Studies
History
Hungarian Language and Literature
Indology
Information and Library Studies
Iranian Studies
Italian Language, Literature and Culture

Interdisciplinary MAs

African Studies
Buddhism
Comparative Literary and Art Studies

Cultural Heritage
Far Eastern Specialist
Hungarian Studies
Indo-European Studies

Islamic Art History
Islamic Studies
Near and Middle Eastern Specialist

Renissance Studies
Semiotics
South-East-Asia Specialist

Theory of Logic and Science

MAs with Teaching Qualifications Teacher Training Majors (available for combination)

Teacher of:
Ancient Greek
Bulgarian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
Chinese as a Foreign Language
Communication
Contemporary Greek as a Foreign and as a

Minority Language
Croatian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
English as a Foreign Language
German as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
History

Hungarian
Italian as a Foreign Language
Japanese as a Foreign Language
Latin
Motion Picture and Media Studies
Polish as a Foreign and as a Minority Language

Portuguese as a Foreign Language
Romanian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
Russian as a Foreign Language
School Music
Serbian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language

Slovakian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
Spanish as a Foreign Language
Ukrainian as a Foreign and as a Minority Language
**Teacher Training Minors (available only in combination with a Teacher Training Major)**

**Teacher of:**  
Art History  
Ethics  
Hungarian as a Foreign Language

**Institutes of the Faculty**

Institute of Philosophy  
School of English and American Studies  
Institute of Germanic Studies  
Institute of Informatics and Library Science  
Institute of Hungarian Literature and Cultural Studies  
Institute of Hungarian Linguistics and Finno-Ugric Studies  
Institute for the Theory of Art and Media Studies  
Institute of Art History  
Institute of Ethnography and Folklore  
Institute of Ancient and Classical Studies  
Institute of Oriental Studies  
Institute of Archaeological Sciences  
Institute of Romance Studies  
Institute of Slavonic and Baltic Studies  
Institute of Historical Studies

**Research**

The Faculty of Humanities is one of the best university research-centres in Hungary, where research is carried out in numerous areas, including history, philosophy, aesthetics, classical philology, modern philology (literature and linguistics), theoretical and applied linguistics, art history, archaeology, folklore and ethnography. Several research fields (e.g. Iranian Studies, Mongolian Studies) are represented only at this faculty in Hungary and in Central Europe. The members of the academic staff cooperate with many universities and research centres both in Hungary and abroad.

**Main fields of undergraduate research**

- African Studies  
- Archeology

**A vast international opening in doctoral training**

In the fall of 2011, the Faculty of Humanities of ELTE decided to launch an internationalizing program. Due to the initiative, out of 5 doctoral schools and 51 doctoral educational programs, 247 tutors undertook the task to welcome the PhD students in 21 languages. This is a uniquely rich offer even in world view combined with the appeal of Budapest, its academic and cultural qualities that may prove to many that it is an excellent choice to take one's doctorate at the Faculty of Humanities of ELTE.

The tutorial excellence of Hungary's number one faculty guarantees that those who choose to study at the PhD training of The Faculty of Humanities of ELTE can do their research with the help of a high standard academic guidance. In the programme, students can find topics besides the popular research ones that are present not only for their academic value but for their cultural uniqueness in the life of the region. In our Faculty, within one institute, the whole world resides: let it be Egyptology, French Literature or even the linguistics of Uralic languages. At The Faculty of Humanities of ELTE, well-prepared and committed tutors are looking forward to the applicants.
## The doctoral schools and programs of Faculty of Humanities

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<td>Archaeology, Assyriology and Hebrew-Judaic Studies, Egyptology, European Historiography and Social Science, Economic and Social History, Early Modern Hungarian History, Medieval Hungarian History, Medieval and Early Modern World History, Cultural History, History of the Ottoman Empire and the Republic of Turkey, Ancient History, Auxiliary Sciences of History, Modern and Contemporary Hungarian History, Modern and Contemporary World History, 19th and 20th Century European History, Russian Studies</td>
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<td><strong>Doctoral School of Philosophy</strong></td>
<td>Analytic Philosophy, Ancient Western Philosophy, Esthetics, Phenomenology, Film, Media and Culture Theory, Hermeneutics, Logic and Philosophy of Science, Political Philosophy, History of Modern Philosophy, Moral and Political Philosophy</td>
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BÁRCSI GUSZTÁV FACULTY OF SPECIAL EDUCATION
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History

The predecessor of the faculty was the Bárczi Gusztáv Teacher-Training College of Special Education, which was founded in 1900 for the further education of primary-school teachers. Later during its operation, it became a higher education institution offering first-degree, second-degree, and non-degree certificate training programmes as well. It joined Eötvös Loránd University in 2000, thus was renamed as Bárczi Gusztáv Faculty of Special Education. During its more than 110 years of history, the institution has always been a training and research centre with an impressive national and international reputation, and with an important influence on the development of the practical field of working with people with disabilities.

For more than 9 decades, it was the only higher education institution in Hungary providing training in special needs education and therapy. It is still the only institution in the country offering study programmes in 8 fields of disabilities and disorders. The concentration of advanced-degree-holding teaching and research staff members representing the full scope of special needs education and therapy is also unique in this segment.

Training

In accordance with the Bologna statement, the faculty introduced the three-cycle training system in 2006. Therefore, the faculty now offers undergraduate / bachelor’s (BA), postgraduate / master’s (MA), and doctoral (PhD) degree programmes in special needs education. Studies at all three levels can be pursued either on a full-time or a part-time basis. Additionally, there are also various further education and non-degree training courses offered to those interested in a particular area or method for dealing with a certain group of people with special needs.
BA programme

The aim of the training is to provide students with up-to-date, evidence-based theoretical and practical knowledge and to develop their personal and professional skills, so that they can find employment as special educational needs (SEN) teachers both at special and inclusive schools; also as special needs therapists dealing with people of all ages at social and health care service centres. The duration of the programme is eight semesters, with seven semesters consisting of theoretical, methodological and practical courses. In the first two semesters, students gain general knowledge of the field, after which they pursue specialised studies in two areas chosen. The last semester is for supervised work placements (field practice). The training is worth 240 credit points.

Specialisations

- Learning Difficulties and Disabilities
- Intellectual and Multiple Disabilities
- Physical Disabilities
- Hearing Impairment
- Visual Impairment
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Behavioural Disorders
- Autism Spectrum Disorders

MA programme

The aim of the training is to extend students’ knowledge of the area(s) they are specialising in, so that they can find employment as instructors of special academic subjects or courses in vocational education, further education and higher education; also as experts at professional service providers and professional bodies, and as heads of institutions. Upon completion of the programme, our graduates earn a degree in Special Education Therapy. The programme takes 3 semesters and is worth 90 credit points.

PhD programme

The aim of the training is to offer research opportunities to students interested in the educational aspects of a certain topic within special education. This interdisciplinary programme in special needs education, disability studies and the related fields is organised by the Doctorate School of Education at ELTE. It is worth 180 credit points.

Other programmes

Several accredited further education training programmes, non-degree certificate courses, and post-secondary vocational training courses are offered in special needs education and therapy. There are specific programmes for those with a diploma in special education, also specialised in-service training programmes for those with a teacher’s diploma, as well as short-term courses for non-professionals.

Research

The faculty functions as a centre for research in special education in Hungary and in the Eastern and Central European region. The multidisciplinary scientific work at the faculty relies both on the methodology of natural and life sciences (biology, medicine and psychology) and on the approaches of social and human sciences, and it maintains intensive relations with law and political sciences and technological developments.

The main focuses of the R&D&I strategy are:

- Multidisciplinary experimental research of disabilities and atypical development
- Diagnostic and assistive technological developments
- Disability studies
- Research in the field of human and social sciences, aiming to establish an inclusive society and examining and supporting the social participation of people with special needs

Undergraduate research

Extracurricular research activities of our students are supported and supervised by leading researchers of the faculty. Students participating in research disseminate their findings at a conference organised by the faculty every year. The best papers are presented at the National Undergraduate Research Conference and in scientific journals.

International relations

There is an extensive international network of universities, research centres and special educational institutions that is the basis of multilateral research and educational cooperation.

Staff mobility takes place both within the Erasmus programme and in other forms of international cooperation. Student mobility is organised mainly under the auspices of the Erasmus programme. Every year, there are ambitious students who undertake to spend a semester abroad either pursu-
ing studies or doing a placement, and the faculty receives about the same number of guest students, who take courses here in English and/or German. There is a great variety of such courses offered by instructors of the faculty every autumn semester. Apart from continuously extending the foreign-language course offer, the faculty is currently working out unique English-language training programmes.

**Events and services**

There are numerous professional conferences and workshops with the participation of experts from the field, popularising and sensitising events for non-professionals, and socialising programmes for the students organised at the faculty every year.

The faculty library has a wide range of professional books and publications in special education, disability studies and the related fields both in Hungarian and in foreign languages. The faculty also maintains a small museum called Collection of Special Educational History.

The faculty provides full accessibility in its main building. It is continually implementing its measures to meet both the general need for universal design in the environment and services, and the specific needs of individuals with difficulties or disabilities.

**Departments and other professional units**

- Department of General Studies in Special Education
- Department of Special Educational Pathophysiology
- Department of Learning Difficulties and Disabilities
- Department of Intellectual and Multiple Disabilities
- Department of Physical Disabilities
- Department of Hearing Impairment
- Department of Visual Impairment
- Department of Phonetics and Speech and Language Therapy
- Department of Behavioural Disorders
- Department of Social Sciences
- Institute of Rehabilitation Psychology
- Research Group of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Group of Research Methodology
FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY
Pedagógiai és Pszichológiai Kar (PPK)

1075 Budapest, Kazinczy u. 23-27., Hungary
History

Although the Faculty of Education and Psychology is one of the youngest faculties of the University, it has significant traditions.

It was founded in 2003, as an integration of the pedagogical, psychological and physical education units, all of which have a long-established tradition at ELTE. Both Institute of Education and Institute of Psychology were the first departments of their disciplines in Hungary. The Faculty’s new central task is to manage and organize teacher training at the whole university.

Training

The Faculty offers degree programmes in pedagogy, psychology, cultural management, adult education, physical education, recreation and it also covers the organisational advocacy of teacher training for approximately 10,000 students in co-operation with the departments and methodological sections of other faculties and with the field-work training sites of teacher training. In addition, it provides Physical Education courses and sports opportunities for the students of every faculty and it also provides psychological life-conduct counseling to all students of the University.

The Faculty has extensive interdepartmental relations with foreign universities. Several foreign students choose to study at the Faculty’s English language programmes to take some courses as guest students for one or two semesters.

BA studies

Adult Education
Pedagogy
Psychology
Psychology (in English)
Recreation, Life Conduct and Fitness Development

MA studies

Andragogy
Child and Adult Clinical and Health Psychology (in English)
Management of Higher Education
Intercultural Pedagogy and Psychology
Pedagogy
Psychology
Recreation

PhD schools

PhD School of Pedagogy
PhD School of Psychology

Research

Main fields of research in Pedagogy:
History of Education
The New School Movement and alternative education
Andragogy
Information society
Applied education theory
Teaching theory

Main fields of research in Psychology:
Social psychology
Communication
Personality psychology
Developmental psychology
Cognitive psychology
Affective psychology
Intercultural psychology
Counseling
Decision making
Educational psychology

Undergraduate Research

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Main fields of undergraduate research:

Andragogy
Pedagogy
Psychology
Physical Education and Recreation

Institutes of the Faculty:

Institute of Education
Institute of Psychology
Centre of Intercultural Psychology and Education
Centre of Physical Education and Sports
History

The history of the Hungarian state teachers’ training started in 1869 in Buda with the foundation of teacher training institutions. The so called "State Teacher Training Institution" soon became one of the top institutions of primary school teachers' training. The professors of this institution were recognized scholars of the Hungarian pedagogical life and they had important influence on the progress of the Hungarian educational policy in the first half of the 20th century. In 1959, the former secondary level teacher training institution developed into a Teacher Training College of higher education. The training of preschool teachers was introduced in 1968. Nowadays, the Faculty offers training and research activities that meet the social requirements of teacher training for learners’ education up to the 6th class of the primary school. In 2000, the College was integrated into Eötvös Loránd University as its Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Teachers’ Training. In 2011, the training of Infant and Early Childhood Education was also introduced.

Training fields

**Primary School Teacher Training** offers the training of future professionals who possess theoretically based knowledge, skills and competences of pedagogy in order to complete teaching and education service concerning all compulsory subjects in the first four classes of the primary school, and at least one subject specialization in the first six classes of the primary school. The Faculty also offers BA level teacher training courses preparing for work in ethnic German or Serb primary schools. Students specialized in ethnic minority education will be able to teach the national language of ethnic minority education in the first six classes of the primary school.

**Pre-School Teacher Training** offers the training of future professionals who possess theoretically based
knowledge, skills and competences of pedagogy in order to complete the tasks of pre-school education. The Faculty also offers BA level pre-school teacher training courses preparing for work in ethnic German or Serb. Students specialized in ethnic minority German or Serb education will be able to complete the tasks of preschool education in Hungarian and in the national language of ethnic minority education.

Infant and Early Childhood Education offers the training of future professionals who - can apply the proper methods of development and education when they look after and take care of 0-3 year-old infants and children; have competences in complex care, pedagogy, psychology and health development in order to improve children’s physical, mental, emotional, social and communication abilities.

The specialized fields of Primary School Teacher Training, Pre-School Teacher Training, and Infant and Early Childhood Education offer BA level qualifications, and also the option of continuing the studies at MA level; first of all: Education MA training – Specialization of Pedagogy of Early Childhood.

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

– other BA level qualifications
- Pre-school teacher training with German ethnic minority specialization
- Primary school teacher training with German ethnic minority specialization
- Adapted Physical Education
- English as a foreign language in pre-school education
- Environmental education at Pre-school
- Mentor of playing
- Modern methods of competence development in the native language

- Preparation for guiding the integrated group of day care and day nursery
- Pre-school animator of free time sports activities

Research

The main research activity of the Faculty includes practical research into 0-12-year-old children’s education in Hungarian Language and Literature, Pedagogy and psychology, Foreign Languages, Mathematics, History and Social Sciences, Science, Physical Education, Music and Visual Education. The faculty has amateur artistic activity in fine arts, choir and musical theatre. International relations of the Faculty include co-operation and joint research mainly with British, German, Dutch and Austrian institutions.

Main fields of undergraduate research
- Hungarian Language and Literature
- Foreign Languages
- Mathematics
- Pedagogy
- Social Sciences
- Science
- Physical Education
- Visual Education

Departments of the Faculty

- Department of Education
- Department of Education in Information-Communication Technology
- Department of Foreign Language and Literature
- Department of Hungarian Language and Literature
- Department of Mathematics
- Department of Natural Sciences
- Department of Physical Education
- Department of Singing and Music
- Department of Social Science
- Department of Visual Education
History

Higher education in informatics started as early as 1969 at Eötvös Loránd University. The Computer Techniques courses were offered to students of mathematics. In 1972 professor Imre Kátaí recognized the growing significance of informatics and initiated a new curriculum: programmer mathematician. In order to facilitate the introduction of the new courses, the Department of Numerical and Computer Mathematics was established. The number of students was increasing rapidly and it reached 2000 by the end of the nineties. The huge department had to be divided into three specialized ones, which together formed the Institute of Informatics later on. Finally, in 2003 the Institute of Informatics and the Department of Cartography of the Faculty of Science established the Faculty of Informatics.

Training

The aim of the Faculty is train experts and teachers in the fields of informatics and cartography, in the latter especially experts in geoinformatics. Students graduating from the Faculty of Informatics are able to meet the challenges of, and develop infrastructure for, the information society of 21st century.

BSc courses, lasting for six semesters, and cover a wide area of knowledge focusing on information processing techniques, programming languages, data structures, programming methodology, operating systems-, and compilers. In addition to the theoretical aspects of informatics, the students learn about the design and development of large software systems, including the necessary mathematical background. With a BSc degree, students are able to find decent jobs in the info-communication industry.

The MSc courses last for four semesters. They cover advanced topics, and enable students to design and develop large software systems, as well as to manage and lead software projects. Moreover, the courses prepare students for research in different fields of computer science, info-communication and mathematical modelling. The best students are encouraged to continue their research in the PhD School of the Faculty.
**BSc studies**
BSc in Computer Science and Information Technology
- Specialization in modelling
- Specialization in software technology
- Specialization in application development
- Specialization in teaching informatics

**MSc studies**
MSc in Computer Science and Information Technology

1. Computer science and information technology
   - Specialization in modelling
   - Specialization in software technology
   - Specialization in information systems
   - Specialization in media informatics

2. Teaching informatics
3. Cartography

**PhD School**
The high scientific standard of the PhD training is guaranteed by the Members and the Doctors of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Several internationally acknowledged experts and scientists participate in the work of the PhD School as supervisors and lecturers.

Programmes at the PhD School of Computer Science:
- Information Systems
- Numeric and Symbolic Computations
- Foundations and Methodology of Informatics

**Research**
The departments of the Faculty carry out high level research in the following areas:
- Calculus, numerical mathematics, linear algebra, differential and integral equations
- Computer algebra systems, number theory, analysis of algorithms
- Harmonic analysis, wavelet and martingale theory
- Programming theory, theoretical and practical aspects of software engineering, artificial intelligence
- Methodology of teaching informatics
- Representation problems in thematic cartography, cartographical mathematics, theoretical cartography.
- Simulation and queueing theory (Computer networks and telecommunication)
- Theoretical and practical aspects of programming languages; program analysis and transformations, compilers; concurrent, parallel and distributed programming
- Theory and applications of algorithms
- Database technologies and intelligent interfaces

**Undergraduate research**
Extracurricular voluntary research activities of the students are supported and supervised by leading scientists of the Faculty. The participating students present their achievements at a conference organized by the Faculty every year. The best papers are presented at the biannual National Undergraduate Research Conference, organized in several sections at various colleges and universities.

**Main fields of research are:**
- Applied Informatics,
- Informatics Methodology,
- Multimedia, Hypermedia,
- Numerical and Non-numerical Methods,
- Programming methodology,
- Simulation and queueing theory,
- Software technology.

**International relations**
The Faculty of Informatics has built up a broad range of research collaboration with leading universities and institutes. We have concluded bilateral agreements with numerous universities in the frame of the Erasmus and the CEEPUS mobility programmes. These and further international agreements, joint masters and doctoral degree programs allow our students to study one or two semesters, or participate in research projects, at one of our partner institutions. Courses held by guest lecturers enrich the training programmes of the Faculty. The Faculty has traditionally strong relationships with transborder Hungarian higher education institutions teaching informatics.

**Departments of the Faculty**
Department of Algorithms and their Applications
Department of Cartography and Geoinformatics
Department of Computer Algebra
Department of Information Science
Department of Information Systems
Department of Media and Educational Informatics
Department of Numerical Analysis
Department of Programming Languages and Compilers
Department of Software Technology and Methodology
History

The Faculty of Law is one of the oldest faculties of the University. It was established in 1667 "to remit deficiencies in Hungarian legal education". Until 1872 the Faculty of Law at ELTE was the only institution in Hungary which taught law and political sciences at university level. The importance of the Faculty in Hungarian public life has remained prominent. Nearly 5000 students pursue their studies at the Faculty of Law. The greatest of our Hungarian jurists have taught here, and a great number of alumni have gained high reputation in the field of law. The Hungarian Accreditation Committee qualified the full-time legal education and training as "excellent" in 2006.

Training

The Faculty aims to train graduates who have a thorough knowledge of legal and political theory of the legal system of Hungary. Students can enroll in Law as a specialization, taking full-time or distance-learning courses. The training at the faculty aims at providing a very thorough theoretical and academic grounding as well as preparing prospective practising lawyers. The Juris Doctors graduating from our institution can choose from a variety of practice-oriented and research-oriented jobs. The curriculum covers law and political sciences, other social sciences that are related to a Juris Doctor’s work, the principal institutions of Hungary’s legal system, legislation and the various applications of law. Training is undivided (the bachelor’s and master’s training united into a single programme) and it offers a master’s degree; the graduates are entitled to use the title of “doctor of law and political sciences.” Besides the unified legal education, there is a Criminology MA program in Hungarian and a European and International Business Law LL.M in English. The Faculty also offers courses in Political Science at BA and MA level. The objective of the courses is to train experts in political theory who acquire a comprehensive and systematic knowledge concerning the political structures and their major correlations in society, political institutions, the operation of political power, political organizations and values. The two distance-learning BA programs Legal Ad-
ministration and Labour and Social Insurance Administration are offered for those having already work experience in these fields. The PhD School has been providing postgraduate courses in Law and Political Science since 1993. Under the auspices of the Institute for Further Legal Education, a degree of expertise in a particular area of law may be obtained.

**Unified legal education (5-year Juris Doctor) Bachelor studies**

- Politiology
- Labour and Social Insurance Administration
- Legal Administration

**Master studies**

- Juris Doctor
- Political Science
- Criminology
- European and International Business Law LLM

**PhD Schools**

- PhD School of Law
- PhD School of Political Science

**Research**

The Faculty of Law has always been a prestigious centre of legal education and research in Hungary. Research is coordinated by the Group of the Organization of Science of the Faculty. Its staff members arrange various research-related activities, issue books and other publications, organize conferences, book promotion events, keep records of research proposals as submitted by lecturers, researchers and faculty departments. They also propagate research findings, assist in organizing the Budapest Summer University and keep records of inter-institutional agreements.

The Faculty’s civil law experts have been taking an active role in the ongoing efforts to modernize the Civil Code, to work out the general principles of the Companies’ Act and the law on the procedure of courts of registry.

The experts on constitutional law have assisted to frame a law on innovations, while experts on criminal law helped to work out a new Criminal Code and Criminal Procedure Code. Time and time again ministries and the Hungarian Government approach the Faculty for expert opinion on draft laws.

**Undergraduate research**

The students of the Faculty have a free hand in deciding the topics to be discussed in the framework of Undergraduate Research in each semester. Undergraduate Research Groups seek to explore legal themes which are not in the limelight of the mainstream curricula. There are a dozen of undergraduate research groups at the faculty and their activities are varied. They regularly invite experts for consultation or organize visits to legal institutions in Hungary or abroad. Some of the Undergraduate Research Groups focus on elite training. Students organize discussions of one another’s theses, appoint an opponent and invite lecturers of the faculty to attend these discussions. Many students of the Faculty have earned honours and prizes at competitions at the National Undergraduate Research Conference.

**Departments**

- Department of Administrative Law
- Department of Agrarian Law
- Department of Civil Law
- Department of Civil Procedure
- Department of Constitutional Law
- Department of Criminal Law
- Department of Criminal Procedures and Correction
- Department of Criminology
- Department of Economics and Statistics
- Department of Fiscal and Financial Law
- Department of International Law
- Department of International Private Law and European Economic Law
- Department of Labour Law and Social Law
- Department of Philosophy
- Department of Roman Law
- Department of Theory of State and Law
- Department of the History of Hungarian State and Law
- Department of the Sociology of Law
- Department of the Universal History of State and Law

Institute, Lectorate
- Department of Foreign Languages
- Institute of Political Sciences
Eötvös Loránd University has been offering science courses since its foundation in 1635. Mathematics, physics and cartography were taught from the beginning at the Faculty of Arts. Chemistry, Biology and Earth sciences were added to the curriculum in the second half of the 18th century. Following the rapid development of sciences, the independent Faculty of Science was formed from the science departments of the Faculty of Arts in 1949. Since 2002, the students of the Faculty of Science have been studying at the new campus in the south of Buda, which is the most modern campus in Hungary.

**Training**

**BSc Studies**
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Sciences
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Mathematics
- Physics

**MSc Studies**
- Applied Mathematics
- Astronomy
- Biology
- Biological physics
- Chemistry
- Environmental Studies
- Ethology
- Geography
- Geology
- Geophysics
- History and Philosophy of Sciences
- Human Biology
- Immunology
- Materials Physics
- Mathematics
- Mathematics for Finance and Insurance
- Meteorology
- Physics
- Science Communication
PhD Schools

- PhD School of Biology
- PhD School of Chemistry
- PhD School of Earth Sciences
- PhD School of Environmental Studies
- PhD School of Mathematics
- PhD School of Physics

Research

The Faculty of Science has a long tradition in research. Several world-famous professors taught and teach here. The Noble Prize winners, György Békésy and György Hevesi started their academic career at Eötvös Loránd University. Today, 90% of the teaching staff has an academic degree, and more than 40 of the professors are members of the Hungarian Academy of Science. These figures rank the university as a leading institution in the country.

Main fields of research
(partly in cooperation with the Hungarian Academy of Science)

- Applied Mathematics
- Combinatorics
- Operations research
- Probability and statistics
- Geometry
- Differential equations
- Real and complex analysis
- Computer science
- Algebra and number theory
- Biotechnology
- Comparative Ethology
- Ethology
- Experimental Plant Biology
- Evolutionary Genetics and Molecular Genetics
- Immunology
- Neurology
- Theoretical Biology and Ecology
- Zoology
- Astrophysics and Particle Physics
- Biological Physics
- Materials Physics
- Statistical Physics
- Cartography
- Environmental Biology
- Environmental Chemistry
- Environmental Geology
- Environmental Physics
- Geography/Meteorology
- Geology/Geophysics
- Geophysics and Environmental Science
- Analytical Chemistry, Colloid and Environmental Chemistry, Electrochemistry
- Synthetic Chemistry, Material Science and Bio-molecular Chemistry
- Theoretical and Physical Chemistry, Structural Chemistry

Undergraduate research

Extracurricular research activities of the students are supported and supervised by leading scientists of the Faculty. The participating students present the outcome of their research at a conference organized by the Faculty every year. The best papers are presented at the biannual National Undergraduate Research Conference, organized in several sections at various colleges and universities.

The students of the Faculty generally achieve very good results in this competition. The latest National Conference also justified the high professional level of our students and lecturers. The students of the Faculty of Science won five Pro Scientia gold medals out of 41 medals in a competition of more than 150 faculties. Four lecturers received the Master Teacher Award, an award created to recognize the contribution of teachers to undergraduate research activity.

Main fields of undergraduate research at the Faculty

- Astronomy
- Biology
- Chemistry and Chemical Engineering
- Cartography
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Geology
- Geophysics
- History and Philosophy of Science
- Mathematics
- Meteorology
- Pedagogy and Educational Technology
- Physics

Institutes

- Institute of Biology
- Institute of Geography and Earth Sciences
- Centre of Environmental Studies
- Institute of Chemistry
- Institute of Mathematics
- Institute of Physics
The Faculty of Social Sciences at Eötvös Loránd University was established in 2003 as the legal successor of the former Institute and Postgraduate Centre of Sociology and Social Policy, joined by the Department of Social Work of Bárczi Gusztáv Vocational School of Special Education, and two departments of the Faculty of Humanities: the Department of Cultural Anthropology and the Department of Political Sciences.

Today, the Faculty has 6 Institutes including several departments:

Institute of Empirical Studies
Department of Methodology
Department of Statistics

Institute of Political and International Studies
Department of European Studies
Department of Political Studies

Institute of Social Studies
Department of Social Work and Social Policy
Department of Social Work

Institute of Sociology
Department of Sociology
Department of the History of Sociology
Department of Historical Sociology

Institute of Social Relations
ELTE-UNESCO Minority Studies Department
Department of Social Psychology
Department of Cultural Anthropology

Institute of Economics
Department of Health Policy and Health Economics
Department of Economics

The main activities of the departments include teaching and research tasks in various fields of the social sciences. For the first time in post-war Hungary, full-time sociology training started at ELTE in 1972, under the leadership of Professor Emeritus Tibor HUSZÁR. Departments of Social Policy and Social Work were founded by Professor Emeritus Zsuzsa FERGÉ and Cultural Anthropology was established in the beginning of the nineties with the help of the Soros Foundation by Professor Lajos BOGLÁR.

The Faculty is the leading training and research institution of Social Sciences in Hungary. Trainings are available in bachelor, master and PhD levels. The Bologna system has been introduced and offers various possibilities for students to acquire degrees and specialisations according to their interest. Full-time and part-time English-speaking curricula are available.
as well as part-time training in other languages (for instance, in French or German). The Faculty has around 100 staff members and 2500 students in all levels.

**Training:**

**BA studies**
- Social studies
- Sociology
- Social Work
- Applied Economics
- International Studies

**MA studies**
- Sociology
- Cultural Anthropology
- Survey Statistics
- Ethnic and Minority Studies (in English)
- International Studies
- Social Policy
- Social Work
- Health Policy and Economy
- Political Sciences
- Human Ecology
- Community and Civil Development Studies
- Economic Analysis
- Survey Statistics

**PhD Studies**
- Sociology
- Social Welfare
- Interdisciplinary Social Researches

The PhD School, a collaborative institution with Corvinus University (former University of Economics) offers training in three domains: Sociology, Social Welfare and Interdisciplinary Social Researches. The School was founded by Professor Iván SZELÉNYI and it is now led by Professor Antal ÖRKÉNY. Nearly a hundred students take part in the doctoral programme. Every year, the doctoral school publishes its own volume of essays.

**Research**

Faculty members take actively part both in empirical and theoretical research in various domains of social sciences. The Faculty includes 15 research institutes that facilitate individual and team research of staff members. These institutes also play an important role in undergraduate and PhD research training, because students are encouraged to participate in ongoing research giving them the possibility to acquire hands-on experience in research activities.

The Faculty also plays a leading role in research in so-
cial sciences in the region and in the European Research Area. Thanks to the wide scope of research fields of its staff, the Faculty is involved in various international research programmes. Several faculty members participate in various interdisciplinary research projects under the European 5th, 6th and the 7th Framework and other bilateral or international research schemes. The Faculty has a great number of exchange programmes with various European, American and other universities.

**Undergraduate research**

Research training is an important part of education at the Faculty. The various research institutes but also individual research projects enable students to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills. Research seminars are especially designed for students’ research activities. Students’ research work has often won excellent awards at the National Student Research Conference.

**International relations**

The international relations of the Faculty are wide-ranging both in the domain of educational co-operation and research. The Faculty also participates in exchange programmes organised with various partner universities as well as bilateral international exchange programmes based on bilateral state agreements, e.g. Balaton programme with French universities, the Austro-Hungarian Action Fund (AÖU), DAAD.

The Institute of Sociology was among the first institutions in Hungary to participate in the TEMPUS programme which linked European universities. Between 1995 and 1999 two large TEMPUS projects were organised and co-ordinated by the Institute: Student and staff exchange is actively realised through Erasmus bilateral mobility programmes and Intensive projects. Several large European Union founded research programmes are running parallely:

- **RECON:** Reconstructing Democracy in Europe (2007-2011)
- **KNOWAndPOL:** The role of knowledge in the construction and regulation of health and education policy in Europe: convergences and specificities among nations and sectors (2006-2011)

Our researchers take part in several European and other international research programmes. We have wide research network all over Europe.

**Faculty life**

The Faculty is located on the new campus of ELTE near the Danube. Teaching and research for students is facilitated by a rich faculty library and various computer labs with a lot of up-to-date software for social sciences and free wi-fi use.

With its publishing and editorial activity both in paper and electronic form, the Faculty facilitates the preparation of teaching materials and the publication activities of its staff members but also the acquisition of educational content for the students.

The Faculty offers many scientific, cultural and sport events, organised by the Student Union (HÖK), the Angelusz Róbert College for Advanced Studies, the Student Scientific Conference, the different research teams or the Faculty’s administration. The events can be found on the Faculty’s websites, Facebook pages and in the „TáTKontúr” periodical published by the students.
The "Colleges" of ELTE are special halls of residence established with the purpose of creating a special environment for intensive education and research for the most gifted students of the university. Members of the Colleges are offered extra lectures, extended seminar programmes and occasional intensive courses on special topics. Their progress is assisted and monitored by tutors. In the summer period, the Colleges host various scientific meetings, conferences, workshops and summer courses. The Colleges traditionally have both internal and external members.

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Website: bibo.elte.hu

The College was established in 1983 with the aim of recruiting gifted students from the Faculty of Law. Both internal and external members of the college are admitted only after a successful entrance examination. Today, the main objective of the college is to train highly qualified specialists in the field of law and political science.

**Bolyai College**
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Website: www.bolyai.elte.hu

The College was founded by Eötvös Loránd University in 1992 in order to support the studies of the most talented students of informatics and natural sciences. It was moved into its present building in 2004. Students of biology, chemistry, Earth sciences, informatics, mathematics and physics attend advanced level seminars in the College, supervised by leading scientists of the Faculty of Informatics and the Faculty of Science in order to complement the regular study programme of the University. These tutorials provide an introduction to research and prepare members of the College for a research career.

**College of Social Sciences**
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The College of Social Sciences was established as a students' group in 2003, and it was acknowledged as a College by the University Senate in 2004. This institution provides residence for 30 students and offers lecture-series, tutorials, special training courses and organizes conferences, workshops and joint research programmes for its members. The aim of the College is to train highly-qualified, sophisticated and broad-minded specialists of social sciences.

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The College was founded by Loránd Eötvös in 1895 with the aim of high quality teacher training. Today, the most gifted students of the Faculties of Arts, Informatics and Science are admitted after a successful entrance examination. In the course of its history, the College has been nurturing a great number of well-known scholars, artists and teachers, among them the world-famous musician and music teacher Zoltán Kodály.
THE STUDENTS’ UNION (SU)

The Students’ Union is the representative body of the students in the decision-making organs of the university. This role of the Student Union is also recognized by the Hungarian Law on Higher Education. We hold the one-third of votes in every council of the University from the Academic Senate to the Departmental Meetings. The SU has a parallel structure to the official University organs. Therefore, we have committees responsible for academic affairs, social support, sports and international relations, just to mention a few.

Every student of the University is a member of the Students’ Union. Students can elect, and can be elected. Elections are usually held in April or May, and every student who is enrolled to the University can participate. If you are studying full-time at ELTE, and you want to run for one of the places, all you have to do is to collect 10 signatures from your fellow classmates.

The Students’ Union is based on a federative system. Every faculty has its own Union, dealing with the matters of the respective faculty. They can help you with social support, study-related problems (such as unfair exams, late registration, etc.). These Unions cooperate with the deans and Councils of the Faculties. However, the representation of the students at the university level is a bit different. We have the University Students’ Union to take care of these things. The Presidium of the University SU (one president and five vice-presidents) are elected by the General Assembly of the University SU, consisting 4-5 delegates from each Faculty Students’ Union.

If you know the above mentioned information and the structure of the SU, you definitely know where to go with your problems. For problems closely related to your studies and the faculty, the place to go is the Faculty SU. If you have some more general problems, you can turn to the University SU as well.

The SU organizes social life at the campuses. Our main events are the Freshmen’s Camp, the Freshmen’s Ball, and other events like the Budaörs Days, the ELTE University Days, ELTE Sport Days, and many more events to make a living community out of the students of the University. There are parties organized by the SU every week, so be sure to check the homepages regularly to know what’s going on.

The SU has a mentor-system to help foreign students settle in quickly and more easily. Enthusiastic Hungarian students take care of the incoming exchange and foreign students, to help them with finding a flat, buying a phone, and to start their life in the beautiful city of Budapest. SU also has regular programs, e.g.: cultural events (Europe Club), excursions to other Hungarian cities, and abroad (Transylvania, Slovenia, Bosnia and other places). If you want to have a mentor, and wish to be part of the exchange student community of ELTE, just ask us how you can get involved. For further information on the mentor-system, please send an e-mail to kulugy@ehok.elte.hu.

You can also sign up to our mailing list for foreign students. All you need to do is to send an e-mail to: foreign-request@listbox.elte.hu.
Study and research are supported by the university library network, the operation of which is coordinated by the renowned University Library. Founded in 1561 by the Jesuit order, it is the oldest library in the country, which was opened to the public in 1876.

Until 1949, the Library specialized in the history of religion, theology, philosophy and the universal history of the Middle Ages and the Modern Age. The historical collection - including 185 codices, 1150 incunabula and 2600 old Hungarian printed books published before 1711, 7000 volumes from the 16th century, and the oldest manuscript, an 8th century Beda fragment - is part of the Hungarian cultural heritage.

Today the holdings of the University Library amount to 2 million titles, over 200 000 journals, 600 online periodicals and 100 databases on the Internet.

The Library's database contains 230 000 item records, 175 000 bibliographic records, and 225 000 authority records. There is also a direct access to the online catalogues of the Central Library of the Miskolc University and the Central Library of Semmelweis University.

Besides the traditional library services, the Library provides access to e-text archives, online copies of printed documents, electronic-only materials and CD-ROMs. The Library is one of the members of the "Hungarian Online Librarian", an online reference service of librarians.
FACULTY LIBRARIES

Faculty of Arts
http://www.btk.elte.hu/olvaso/

Faculty of Education and Psychology
http://www.ppk.elte.hu

Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Education
http://www.tofk.elte.hu/konyvtar/ind.html

Faculty of Law
http://www.ajk.elte.hu/index.asp

Faculty of Science, Faculty of Informatics
http://ttklib.elte.hu

Faculty of Social Sciences
http://www.tatk.elte.hu/frames/frame310/fram3101.htm

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The University Athletics Club (BEAC) was founded in 1898 as one of the very first Hungarian sports clubs. The well-known scientist and statesman Loránd Eötvös was elected its first president.

The primary concern of BEAC is to ensure quality, professional sports opportunities for ELTE students and for the youth of Budapest. Since its foundation, members of the University Athletics Club have won 5 Olympic and 400 Hungarian champion titles.

BEAC sections
• Athletics
• Badminton
• Basketball
• Chess
• Football
• Handball
• Hiking
• Karate
• Orienteering
• Students' Athletics Club
• Table Tennis
• Tennis
• Water Polo

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The Eötvös Art Ensemble consists of three groups:
• the Béla Bartók University Choir
• the University Orchestra
• the University Folk Dance Ensemble

The Eötvös Art Ensemble is led by dr. Gábor Baross, a Ferenc Liszt Prize winner, Merited and Eminent Artist, who is also the chorus-master of the Choir and Orchestra. He founded the Choir in 1948 and the Orchestra in 1957 to involve more and more students in musical life, to organize concerts, meetings, festivals, workshops in order to expand our international relations, and to support these activities financially, thus promoting the national culture and tradition in Hungary.

The Choir has participated in more than 40 international tours and has won several awards at international competitions and festivals. They regularly perform works of Zoltán Kodály and Béla Bartók but their repertoire also features renaissance and baroque composers.

The Folk Ensemble was founded in 1957 and today is led by Gábor Valach. The repertoire of the Folk Dance Ensemble includes a wide range of folk dances of the ethnic groups living in the Carpathian Basin. The Ensemble is a prestigious member of the amateur folk dance movement, and was qualified Gold Grade at the last nationwide qualification. There are two groups, the so-called new generation and the senior group.
The first Hungarian Botanical Garden was founded in 1771 by the predecessor of Eötvös Loránd University. The Botanical Garden, developed and extended by Jakab Winterl and Pál Kitaibel and soon after its foundation became world famous. It was moved to its present premises more than 150 years ago and in 1960 it became a national nature reserve. The Botanical Garden boasts about 7000 species and variations of plants. The orangery - built in the 19th century - and the greenhouse - restored in 1984 - are the home of the tropical and sub-tropical plants. The cactus, bromeliad and orchid collections are especially rich. The arboretum with its 800 species of trees and bushes and 500 types of floral plants is also well worth a visit. Nowadays, the main aims of the Botanical Garden are to develop and maintain the collection, preserve and artificially multiply the endangered species, and also support botanical and conservationist education.
NATURE RESERVE AND OPEN-AIR GEOLOGICAL MUSEUM OF TATA

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This special geological nature reserve has been located on a 3.5 acre land on Kálvária Hill in Tata since 1953. It has also functioned as an open-air geological museum since 1991. The nature reserve displays the geological episodes, flora and fauna of millions of years, as well as botanical, cultural and mining history curiosities.

It plays an important role in the education of Hungarian geology, cartography, geophysics, meteorology, environmental studies and geography students. The University was appointed as the trustee of the unique nature reserve in 1994, and with the financial support of the Environmental Fund it was improved between 1995 and 1997.

GOTHARD ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

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The University Observatory - founded in 1881 - is a modern research and educational base. Its exhibitions demonstrate the achievements of a new, blooming science of the 19th century through the founder’s (Jenő Gothard) original tools and works. With the inspiring help of the "genius loci" - the spirit of the place - internationally recognized research is performed here. The research includes the observation of light changes of magnetic stars, young emissive objects (T Tauri stars) and the perceptibly rapid changes in the atmosphere of great-mass hot stars.
The museum is located in South Buda in the new building of the Faculty of Science under an imposing pyramid dome. This university collection - which is unique in Hungary - demonstrates the evolution of mankind and the fauna with the relevant paleontological materials, full body products and anatomy. The new exhibition was reopened in 2002, after the vast demolition of the Second World War, which ravaged the former collection.

The main hall contains rocks full of fossils. On the ground floor, in huge exhibition cases, several animal groups are exhibited; their paleontological materials and the skeletons of existing species in an evolutionary order are also displayed. The most important publications and old textbooks are exhibited on the first floor. The gallery contains exhibition cases with stuffed birds, mammals and the artefacts and instruments of anthropology.
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The Collection was established in 1774. It is the oldest scientific artefact collection of the university and the biggest such mineral and rock collection in Hungary. At the end of the 18th century it was the biggest systematized educational purpose collection in Europe.

The Collection contains about 1000 mineral types and almost all rock types can be found here. The Collection assists not only the training of geology, environment, chemistry and history of science students and researchers of the University but also secondary school students from the capital and other cities of Hungary.

Other exhibitions such as the Mineral Taxonomy, Meteorite Collection and the Chemical Periodic Table Exhibition are also well worth visiting. There are temporary exhibitions of guest exhibitors. The Collection has been open to the public since the 2006/2007 academic year.

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