

**DESCRIPTION OF Hungarian Government Scholarship PROGRAMME
AND
E-MAIL APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

The following Master of Science degree courses are being offered in English for the 2021-22 Academic Year:

- 1. MSc in Agricultural water management engineering** (Szent István University)
- 2. MSc in Plant protection** (Szent István University)
- 3. MSc in Crop production** (Szent István University)

Universities

The following universities and faculties are participating:

- Szent István University, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Gödöllő
- Szent István University, Georgikon Campus, Keszthely

Conditions

Courses will be offered provided the minimum number of students is reached.

The scholarship will cover:

- application and tuition fees throughout the study period with basic books and notes;
- dormitory accommodation;
- subsistence costs;
- health insurance.

All of the above mentioned costs are financed by the Hungarian Government, according to the Agreement between FAO and Hungary in 2007.

The scholarship covers student costs only; **family members are not supported** within the frame of this programme.

List of Eligible countries

Residents (who must be nationals) of the following countries are eligible to apply for the Scholarship Programme:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Chad, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kosovo¹, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, North Macedonia, Madagascar, Mali, Myanmar, Republic of Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Namibia, Nigeria, North Korea, North Macedonia, State of Palestine, the Philippines, Republic of Cabo Verde, Serbia, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vietnam, Yemen.

¹References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).

Application and selection process

The selection process as described below applies to scholarships beginning in September 2021.

Student selection will take place in two phases:

Phase 1: FAO will pre-screen candidates and submit applications to the Ministry of Agriculture of Hungary that will send them to the corresponding University as chosen by the applicants. Students must submit only COMPLETE dossiers. **Incomplete dossiers will not be considered.** Files without names will not be processed.

Phase 2: Selected candidates may be asked to take a written or oral English examination as part of the admission procedure. The participating Universities will run a further selection process and inform each of the successful candidates. Student selection will be made by the Universities only, without any involvement on the part of FAO. Selected students will also be notified by the Ministry.

Candidates will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- Citizenship and residency of one of the eligible countries
- Excellent school achievements
- English language proficiency (for courses taught in English)
- Motivation
- Good health
- Age (candidates under 30 are preferred)

Application procedure

Interested applicants should prepare a dossier to be sent by E-MAIL consisting of:

- Application form duly completed
- A recent curriculum vitae
- A copy of high school/college diploma and transcript/report of study or copy of the diploma attachment
- A copy of certificate of proficiency in English
- Copies of relevant pages of passport showing expiration date and passport number
- A letter of recommendation
- Statement of motivation
- Health Certificate issued by Medical Doctor
- Certificate of Good Conduct issued by local police authority.

All submitted documents must be in ENGLISH. Documents submitted in any other language will not be accepted. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that documents are duly translated and certified by a competent office; and that each document is saved with a name that identifies what it is.

Deadlines

Applications by interested candidates should be E-MAILED to FAO between

15 January 2021 and 28 February 2021

Paper copies of dossiers received by post or courier or any other way, will not be taken into consideration.

Important notes

Please follow the information about Hungarian entry requirements during the Covid-19 pandemic preparedness period. Subject to final approval, the organisers reserve the right to make changes to the scholarship.

Applicants who were not selected in previous years may re-apply to the 2022-2023 Programme. These applicants will have to submit the complete dossier once again by E-MAIL ONLY.

Please note that the **duration of the scholarship cannot be extended or postponed.**

Please be informed that the master courses will only start if sufficient number of applications will be received.

A Scholarship Study Contract will be signed between the selected students and the Ministry of Agriculture of Hungary (MoAH), which is the donor of the program, at the time of first semester registration.

Applicants wishing to explore external funding opportunities to cover the travel costs may do so at their own initiative. However, in view of the length of the process, applicants wishing to apply for 2021 scholarships are strongly encouraged to E-MAIL their application while they endeavour to identify funds or pending confirmation that such funds will be granted.

All queries concerning the programme or the application process should be E-MAILED to FAO at:

REU-Scholarship@fao.org

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS

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| Nature and level of courses: | MSc courses in the following subjects: Agricultural water management engineering Plant protection Crop Production Engineering |
| Universities: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Szent István University, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Gödöllő • Szent István University, Georgikon Campus, Keszthely |
| Who can participate: | Students holding a BSc/MSc or equivalent. Specific requirements may be applied by single Universities, see detailed description Nationals from eligible countries (see page 1) |
| Form of support: | Scholarship |
| Duration of scholarship: | 22 months |
| Language: | English |
| Age limit: | Candidates under age 30 preferred |
| Other conditions: | Students from non-English speaking countries applying to English courses should have an appropriate level of knowledge in oral and written English |
| Deadline for applying to FAO by E-MAIL: REU-Scholarship@fao.org | 28 February 2021 |

MSc in Agricultural Water Management Engineering

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

At the Szent István University, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
Gödöllő, Hungary

<http://mkk.sziu.hu/application/msc-agricultural-water-management-engineering>

(Application code: "E1")

Course name: MSc in Agricultural Water Management Engineering

Degree: Master in Agricultural Water Management Engineering

Education goals:

The program aims to train professionals in agricultural water management, with a special focus on sustainable integrated water resources management. The program curricula focuses mostly on water management and engineering related subjects, with additional courses in agricultural and natural sciences, economics and legal studies. Besides providing a strong theoretical base, we aim to equip our students with a strong practical background as well. Building on the international experience of our staff, this course aims to provide students with the knowledge they need to succeed in today's world.

The program mostly takes place in the main campus of the University located in Gödöllő, with the exception of semester 3 which takes place partially at the Szarvas Campus of the University.

Length of the study programme: 4 semesters (22 months)

Total credit: 120

Admission criteria

Applicants intending to join a master programme should hold undergraduate degree (B.Sc. or equivalent) in relevant field of science or related area. Other degrees including components of natural or economic sciences may also be acceptable, degree qualifications are assessed individually in accordance with the diploma (Degree Certificate) and its attachments, or with the Report of Study (Transcript).

Language requirements:

B2 level English language examination (TOEFL/IELTS/ Other)

Procedure for transfer of credits

By submitting a credit transfer application form to the Vice Dean of Educational and Student Affairs

Requirements: 1) credit accomplished not later than 5 years ago 2) the content of the completed subject is at least 75% equivalent to the subject to accept 3) credit values are the same 4) subject to accept was completed in English

MSc in Plant Protection
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
At the Szent István University, Georgikon Campus
Keszthely, Hungary

(Application code: “E2”)

Course name: Master in Plant Protection

Degree: Master in Plant Protection

Education goals:

The aim of the programme is to train specialists of plant protection who are able to fulfil directional, managing, organizing, consulting, regulating and marketing tasks, based on their wide theoretical knowledge.

Such experts are able to detect the organisms, which are threatening plants (pathogens, pests, weeds) and they are acquainted with their biology and reproduction, and also with the effects and mechanism of pesticides concerning even the environment and humane hygiene. They can prevent the harms and damages caused by the above-mentioned organisms and they are applying the procedures of ecological and integrated plant protection in order to reduce the pesticide-load of the environment. In their work they are always attentive to the safety of food, processors, consumers and the environment. Having a degree in higher education they are permitted to use restricted chemicals.

The further aim is to prepare the interested and inspired students for research work and PhD training in the field of plant protection.

Length of the study programme: 4 semesters (22 months)

Total credit: 120 credits

Admission criteria, application requirements:

Applicants intending to join a master programme should hold undergraduate degree (B.Sc. or equivalent) in relevant field of science or related area. Degree qualifications are assessed individually in accordance with the diploma (Degree Certificate) and its attachments, or with the Report of Study (Index).

Acceptable courses: natural sciences, technical and social sciences, horticultural production, plant protection, crop production, animal husbandry and economics, according to the comparison determined in the law of higher education and the related ministerial decrees.

Language requirements: Excellent command of English (certificate of language proficiency – TOEFL IBT or IELTS or equivalent)

Procedure for transfer of credits: requests for transfer of credits will be considered individually based on the BSc degree and course transcript.

MSc in Crop Production Engineering

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

At the Szent István University, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
Gödöllő, Hungary

<http://mkk.sziu.hu/application/msc-crop-production-engineering>

(Application code: "E3")

Course name: MSc in Crop Production Engineering

Degree: Crop Production Engineer

Education goals:

Aim of the programme is to educate crop production engineers possessing strong skills and complex knowledge in natural sciences, crop production-, plant protection- plant breeding- and food production technologies. Graduated students will be able to design and to operate management and decision making systems in the field of arable crop production, in particular production of grain crops, cash crops and oil seed crops, fodder crops and energy cropping. The studies enable graduates to work in research, development, technology transfer, or serve as operative leaders, as well as to continue their studies in PhD studies afterwards.

Length of the study programme: 4 semesters (22 months)

Total credit: 120 credits

Admission criteria:

Applicants intending to join a master programme should hold undergraduate degree (B.Sc. or equivalent) in relevant field of science or related area. Other degrees including components of natural or economic sciences may also be acceptable, degree qualifications are assessed individually in accordance with the diploma (Degree Certificate) and its attachments, or with the Report of Study (Transcript).

Language requirements:

B2 level English language examination (TOEFL/IELTS/ Other)

Procedure for transfer of credits

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Requirements: 1) credit accomplished not later than 5 years ago 2) the content of the completed subject is at least 75% equivalent to the subject to accept 3) credit values are the same 4) subject to accept was completed in English