

PhD Studies at the Semmelweis University







Scientific Doctoral Schools

- Basic and Translational Medicine
 - Clinical Medicine
 - Pharmaceutical Sciences
 - Mental Health Sciences
 - Neurosciences
 - Molecular Medicine
 - Pathological Sciences
 - Health Sciences





Types of PhD Studies

Use I. Conventional PhD Program

Usual II. MD-PhD Excellence Program

Ull. Individual PhD Program



I. Conventional PhD Program

- Educational and Research Phase (4 semesters)
 - → Research-related educational courses for 16 credits
 - **→** Research led by academic supervisor
- **♦ Complex Exam**
 - → Practical part (presentation of research achievements)
 - → Theoretical part (1 main and 1 additional subject)
- Research and Dissertation Phase (1-4 semesters)
 - Completing the research
 - → Publication of papers
 - →at least 1 first-authored and 1 additional original research paper
 - → research field-dependent impact factor requirements
 - → Preparation of the dissertation and its defense at the host institution





II. MD-PhD Excellenece Program

- Educational and Research Phase (4 semesters)
 - → Simultaneously with MD studies*
 - → Research-related educational courses for 16 credits
 - → Research led by academic supervisor

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- → Practical part (presentation of research achievements)
- → Theoretical part (1 main and 1 additional subject as well as 1 methodological subject*)

Research and Dissertation Phase (1-4 semesters)

- → Publication of papers
 - → at least 1 first-authored and 1 additional original research paper
 - → research field-dependent impact factor requirements increased by 50%*
- → Preparation of the dissertation and its defense at the host institution
- * Indicates differences as compared to the Conventional PhD Program





III. Individual PhD Program

Research completed outside the framework of PhD studies*

Complex Exam

- → Practical part (presentation of research achievements)
- → Theoretical part (1 main and 1 additional subject as well as 1 methodological subject*)

Research and Dissertation Phase (1-4 semesters)

- → Publication of papers
 - → at least 1 first-authored and 1 additional original research paper
 - → research field-dependent impact factor requirements increased by 50%*
- → Preparation of the dissertation and its defense at the host institution
- * Indicates differences as compared to the conventional PhD Program





Process of Receiving the PhD Degree

Similar in all 3 types of PhD programs

- 1. Submission of the dissertation to the Doctoral Council
- 2. Quality control of publication requirements and format of the dissertation
- 3. Eventual corrections by the applicant
- 4. Professional review by 2 academic reviewers
- 5. Public defense of the dissertation
- 6. Donation of the PhD degree by the Doctoral Council



Tuition Fees and Fellowships

♦ Tuition Fees

- → For graduates of the Semmelweis University: 4.000 EUR/semester
- **→** For other students: 8.000 EUR/semester
- → 80% of the tuition fee serves to cover the costs of research
 - →this can be partly or fully waived by the supervisor

♦ State Fellowships

- **→** Available for EU citizens only
- Entitles to student benefits
- **→ 140–180.000 HUF per month (tax free)**
 - →can be supplemented by the host institution or the supervisor using their own resources
 - →allows additional employment as resident or other type of work



Dates and deadlines of applications for the academic year 2021/2022

- Student information forum: 21 April
- Calls for applications: by the end of April
- Application deadline: by the end of May
- ♦ Entrance examination: by the end of June
- > Decision regarding admission: by the end of July
- **Enrolment: in September**



Stipendium Hungaricum Fellowship Program

- Supports PhD studies of foreign students in Hungary
- Application deadline for the next academic year is in January
- ls based on international agreements between Hungary and nearly 70 countries
 - → Partner countries: https://stipendiumhungaricum.hu/partners/
- Prerequisites of participation in the admission procedure:
 - Nomination by the sending country
 - Conditional letter of acceptance from a supervisor in a Doctoral School of Semmelweis University
- **♦** In case of fellowship is awarded:
 - → SH fellowship (HUF 140,000/month for 24 months, HUF 180,000/month for 24 months)
 - **Support to be used for doctoral research (HUF 825,000/academic year)**
 - **→** Housing allowance (HUF 40,000/month)
 - → One-off payment of HUF 400,000 for obtaining the degree
 - Comprehensive health insurance
 - ➡ Eligible cost of HUF 100,000/academic year for private health care services



