HUNGARIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA INC.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Senior Medical Student Program in the USA

The State University of New York, School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at BUFFALO (SUNY UB) and Roswell Park Cancer Institute have entered into an agreement with the four Hungarian universities that teach medicine to provide 12 week credit-bearing senior electives to medical students who are in their 5th year of education.

The rotations begin four times a year, approximately in July, September, December of next year and March of the year following the next. The exact dates will be determined by HMAA at the beginning of 2016.

This program is sponsored and managed by the HUNGARIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, HMAA (www.hmaa.org.)

The purpose of the Program is to facilitate the exchange of students as well as experience and knowledge between the involved medical universities. With this program the HMAA contributes and provides broad medical knowledge to young Hungarian physicians who are entering the Hungarian health care system.

Students may take the following electives: Internal Medicine – Endocrinology; Pediatrics – Child Neurology; Neurosurgery; Neurology; Headache Medicine; Surgical Oncology; Medical Oncology; Neuroradiology/Radiology; Gyn-Oncology; Obstetrics and Gynaecology; Surgery

Please note that these electives are subject to availability at the time of the rotation.

Financing:

Students are expected to cover:

- Round trip air transportation
- Cost of books, materials if required
- Health insurance
- Meal costs (some Buffalo departments provide meal tickets for use in the hospital)
- Medical liability (coordinated by HMAA)

Student housing is provided by the HMAA in Buffalo. Please note that max. 4 students may participate at one particular rotation. Once you have given us your preferred rotation time (eg. January 2017) there is a limited possibility to change it later. All possible changes of rotation times are coordinated by Semmelweis University and HMAA Hungary Chapter.

Selected applicants are encouraged to submit an application for financial support to the HAESF.
(Hungarian American Enterprize Scholarship Fund). The deadline of applications for the first three rotations is 1 April 2016 and for the fourth rotation 15 October 2016.

Students who receive a scholarship from HAESF (or other sources) are expected to pay USD 150 a month each to offset some of the costs. The malpractice insurance for 3 months is appr. USD 300-400.

For further information about the HAESF scholarship visit the www.haesf.org website ’s Professional Internship section.

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Who can apply?

Hungarian medical students who are in their 5th year of education beginning September 2015 or those who are in their 6th year of education beginning September 2015 and plan to do the 6th year in two units, so the second unit would start from September 2016. Only HMAA Hungary Chapter members can apply for the exchange program (membership is free for medical students, further information visit the http://www.hmaa.org/chapters/hungary/ website).

Deadline: applications must be postmarked by January 19, 2016.

Applications postmarked later than this date will not be accepted.

Requirements (all should be submitted in 2 copies):

- Completed Application Form
- Letter of recommendation from the Dean
- Letter of recommendation from two different Heads of Department
- Hungarian and English credit transcript from year 1 onwards and statement of the medical student status
- Curriculum vitae
- Letter of motivation/intent
- TOEFL exam
- 1 Passport size photo

Please note that the TOEFL exam procedure might take several months. The timing of the TOEFL exam should be so that the results arrive before 19. Januar 2016, which is the application deadline. The TOEFL exam should not be older than 2 years.

The application must be complete, otherwise it will be automatically rejected.

One of the copies with one photo to be sent to:

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The other copy with one photo to be sent to:

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All students must submit a written EXIT INTERVIEW to the Department of International Relations of Semmelweis University and to the HMAA Hungary Chapter after the end of the rotation. All students must attend the exit interview in person in the Balatonfüred congress of the HMAA Hungary Chapter in August.

The Application Form and the Exit Interview Form are available on the HMAA website:  
www.hmaa.org/programs/exchange/buffalo