

**University of Debrecen
Faculty of Medicine**



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Doctoral Supplementary Scholarship

DBC

Debrecen
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1. The aim of the scholarship

The aim of the scholarship program launched by the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology of the University of Debrecen, Faculty of Medicine (hereinafter: UD FM) is to support the livelihood of doctoral students and to help the doctoral schools to recruit new doctoral students.

The following target group is eligible under the programme:

- PhD students enrolled full-time in a Hungarian/English language programme with public/non-public scholarship funding
- at least in the second semester of a full-time doctoral program
- research work is carried out at the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology, under the supervision or co-supervision of a lecturer/researcher from the Department/Division.

The following are not eligible to apply

- part-time PhD students,
- PhD students with a passive status,
- PhD student employed by the healthcare service
- doctoral students in employment

The scholarship is awarded for the entire period from the semester of application to the end of the doctoral student's training period, for both the study and research phase and the research and dissertation phase, i.e. for a maximum of 8 semesters, for 2x6 months per year. At the end of each semester, the student will prepare a report on the completion of the tasks undertaken, which will be evaluated by his/her supervisor and communicated to the Head of the Department.

2. Tasks undertaken in the application

Applicants are required to carry out at least two of the following activities per semester at the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology. Task A is mandatory, and at least one additional activity must be selected from group B.

The completion of the undertaken tasks must be documented in sufficient detail to allow the fulfilment of the commitments to be verified. The minimum information required in the end-of-semester report is listed in Appendix 2.

A1. Performance of educational duties in accordance with Annex 1 of the call for proposals.

B1. Tutoring of undergraduate and master's students (e.g. laboratory work, thesis supervision) at least six times per semester (2x60 minutes per occasion).

B2. Assisting the supervisor at the Sántha Kálmán camps for secondary school students.

B3. Giving presentations at secondary schools to promote the faculty's study programs (at least five occasions, e.g. DExpo).

B4. Active participation in events organized by the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology, including the Researchers' Night at the University of Debrecen and other events promoting education and research coordinated by the Department. This includes planning events and assisting in their implementation (at least four hours per semester, certified by the DBCB).

B5. Recruitment of SRS (TDK) students and introduction to basic research skills (at least 10 hours of activity)

3. Form of the award

According to the status of the target group - supplementary scholarship.

The amount is 50.000.-Ft gross per month.

Candidates are requested to check their personal data in the Neptun Electronic Academic System and, if necessary, have them corrected by the relevant faculty educational department or other university organisation.

The technical prerequisite for the transfer of any scholarship is that the student's bank account number, Hungarian tax identification number and permanent address must be correctly entered in the Neptun system.

4. Deadline for submission of applications

Applications can be submitted from 01 September 2026 until the withdrawal of this call for proposals.

The call for proposals is published on the official website of the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology (<https://biophys.unideb.hu>), with a deadline for receipt of applications. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by e-mail in the month of the first payment of the awarded supplementary grant.

5. Number of applications that can be submitted

A single applicant may submit more than one application under this Call for Proposals, but there is no overlap in the timing of applications.

6. How and where to submit applications

The application must include a completed and signed application form, a declaration by the applicant of the activity undertaken and of compliance with the conditions, and the signature of the supervisor authorising the tasks to be carried out.

Applications can be submitted in person at the Secretariat of the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology. Please write on the envelope: Doctoral Supplementary Scholarship.

7. Managing and operating the call

The professional coordinators and organisers of the competition are the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology, the Division of Biophysics, the Division of Biomathematics and the Division of Cell Biology.

The Head of the Department of Biophysics and Cell Biology of the UD decides on the awarding of the supplementary scholarship.

8. How the fee is financed

Payment of the awarded scholarship will start no later than the month following the award of the scholarship.

The supplementary doctoral scholarship will be terminated if

- the nature of their legal relationship changes (they take a passive semester)
- they receive a commission fee or scholarship from another source (e.g., a research project) in an amount that, based on individual consideration, may exclude them from receiving the scholarship supplement
- an employment/service relationship is established
- fails to comply with the internal rules of the institute
- fails to respect the values and traditions of the institute
- repeated complaints are received about their work or attitude
- is absent from institute seminars twice per semester without justification.

The student receiving the scholarship must inform the Department in writing within 8 days of the fact of the change, the reasons for the change and all circumstances relevant to the assessment of the change, by e-mail to biophys@med.unideb.

Appeals against the termination of scholarship supplements may be submitted in person to the director of the Institute of Biophysics and Cell Biology.

It is possible to reapply after the above exclusion grounds have been removed.

The supplementary PhD scholarship will be terminated, and it will not be possible to reapply if

- the doctoral student's legal status is terminated,
- violates the ethical and scientific ethical standards of the University of Debrecen,
- fails a complex exam; in this case, the scholarship cannot be restarted even if the retake exam is successful,
- the end-of-semester study and research report is not accepted by the relevant doctoral school for any reason,
- fails to complete their report on the tasks undertaken in the doctoral supplementary scholarship agreement during the semester by the deadline,
- the relevant supervisor/institute director does not accept the student's report.

Further information can be obtained electronically at biophys@med.unideb.

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