



Students have to apply for their visa and residence permits **individually**.

The rules and regulations on entering Hungary **vary depending on your citizenship and place of residence**. Since the rules of entering Hungary may change anytime, we highly suggest that before travelling, **always check the website of the [Hungarian Consular Services](#) closest to you in order to properly plan your entry to Hungary**.

If you will be transiting through another country when travelling, we suggest that you also check the transit regulations in effect in the given country (you can do this by contacting the given country's embassy/consulate in your home country).

Important: Visa processing may take approximately 4–8 weeks depending on your country and the season. Students requiring a visa are strongly advised to begin the application process and book an embassy appointment as soon as possible after receiving their admission documents.

Checklist:

- Step 1: Check your visa category
- Step 2: Prepare your documents
- Step 3: Apply for Type D visa or residence permit
 - What is a Type D visa?
If you are a student whose citizens require a visa to enter Hungary (Category 3 below), you will need to obtain a Type D visa before travelling. A Type D visa is a temporary entry document used to travel to Hungary. This is what will allow you to enter the country legally.

However, depending on your citizenship, some foreign citizens do not need a type D visa to enter Hungary. See if you are exempt from the visa requirement here: <https://konzinfo.mfa.gov.hu/en/visa-free-travel-hungary>.
 - What is a residence permit?
 - A residence permit is a long-term plastic ID card that legally authorizes you to live in Hungary for an authorized period of time, and travel within the Schengen Area.
- Step 4: Travel to Budapest
- Step 5: Register after arrival at [Enter Hungary](#)