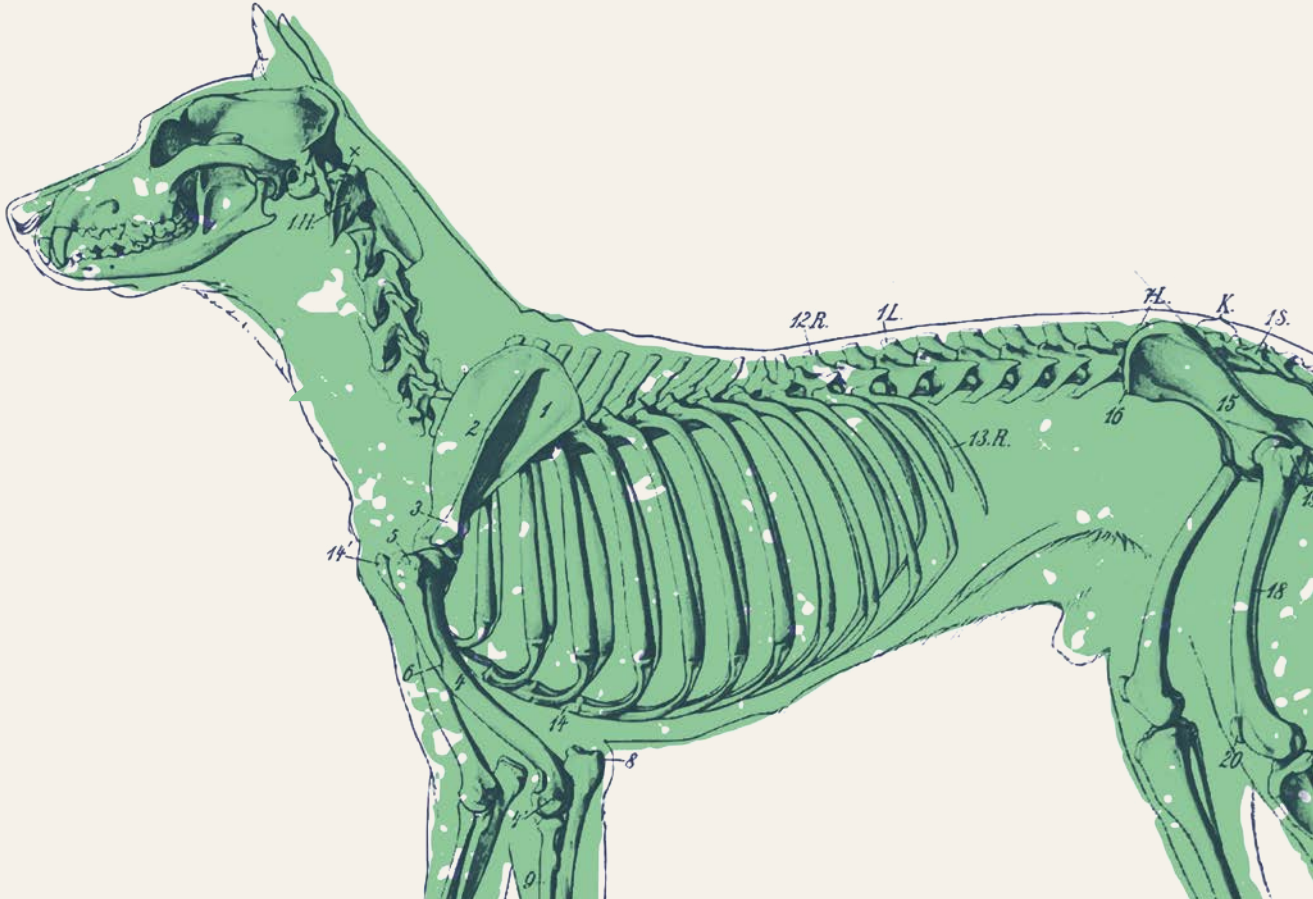




University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest, Hungary



Brief history of University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest (UVMB)

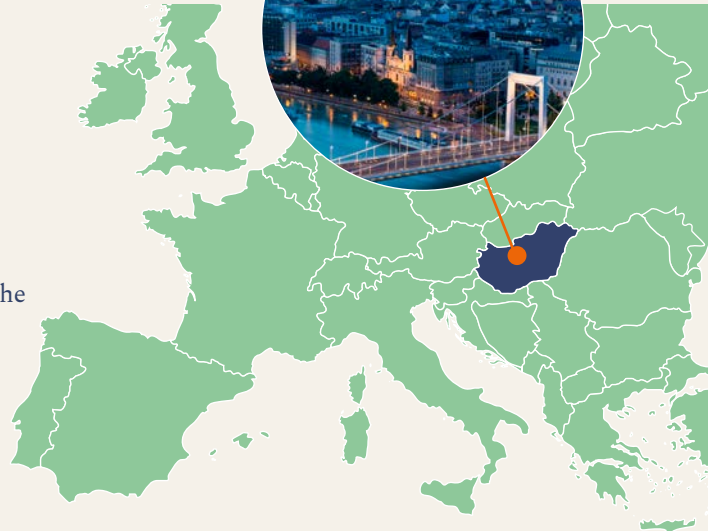
- One of the oldest veterinary universities in the world (founded in 1787).
- The only veterinary school in Hungary.
- As an independent institution the school earned an international reputation in the first half of the 20th century.
- Almost 30 of experience with teaching international students.
- In 2013 UVMB received the Research Faculty title for its outstanding scientific achievements.

City info

- Budapest is the capital of Hungary with around **2 million** inhabitants (one of the largest cities in the European Union). It is the **cultural, educational and economic centre** of Hungary.
- Budapest offers a **vivid student life** with plenty of other **international people** to share the experiences with.
- Budapest provides a **beautiful and historical environment** for all visitors and inhabitants.
- The **well-functioning public transport** operates 24/7.
- Compared to Western-Northern European countries and the US, the **cost of living is very low**.

Country info

- Hungary is located in **Central Europe** (it has borders with Austria, Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia).
- It is a **European Union member** since 2004.
- It has around **10 million** inhabitants.
- Hungary has a **continental climate** (hot in the summer and cold in the winter).
- According to travel surveys, Hungary is one of the most **popular tourist destinations** in Europe.



Some facts about UVMB

- The diploma students get here ensures **outstanding career prospects**, a respected, well paid and acknowledged profession.
- After 5.5 years of studies, students receive the **Doctor of Veterinary Medicine** diploma.
- English language speaking environment: the most international veterinary campus in Europe – **65% of students come from foreign** countries.
- European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (E.A.E.V.E.) **accreditation since 1995**. This means that the degree received at the University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest is **accepted automatically by the member countries** of the European Union and in several other countries of the world.
- Out of the 97 veterinary universities in Europe, the University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest was the **7th that received the European accreditation**.
- **The preparation** for the American Veterinary Medical Association (A.V.M.A.) accreditation is in progress. Until the AVMA accreditation is not obtained graduates are entitled for residency and to practice in North America after the completion of **a board exam in Canada and in the US**.
- Thorough **theoretical foundation** of studies, followed by a **practical training** on how to treat and cure animals.
- The program takes 5.5 years, **parallel to the standard curriculum** found in most European veterinary programs.
- The 11th (practical) semester includes **practical work** at the University Clinics and university-associated institutions.
- In 2006 a new up-to-date **Small Animal Clinic** was opened to provide students, staff and clients with 21st-century facilities for diagnostics and treatment.
- The **Large Animal Clinic** opened in Summer 2001. It is also used for practical training.
- **Centrally located campus**, easily accessible by public transport.
- On the campus **beautiful old buildings** and a **green park** make students feel welcome and at home.
- **Small, friendly campus** (all together approximately 1200-1300 students) – students and teachers easily get to know each other.



Fields of career opportunities

Small and Large Animal Clinics
State Office of Veterinary Hygiene
Public Health
Farms
Zoo
Exotic animals



Study program structure



- The entire curriculum consists of **more than 5000 hours**, a curriculum standard for the European Community.
- The program lasts 5.5 years divided into **11 semesters**.
- Before the conclusion of the program, students submit and defend a **thesis**; and pass the state examination.
- The curriculum contains **lectures, practicums, and field- or extramural practice**. (Lectures are given for an entire term, practicums are held in a tutorial system with 8-15 students in a group.)
- The curriculum is divided into a **pre-clinical** and a **clinical-paraclinical** period.

The pre-clinical period

- This comprises of the first four semesters (two years). The **main subjects** are Anatomy, Histology, Embryology, Biology, Chemistry, Biophysics, Zoology, Physiology, Biochemistry, Biomathematics and Computer Applications.
- **Languages** can be chosen as electives.
- The pre-clinical period also contains a **farm practicum** in animal husbandry.



The clinical-paraclinical period

- This period lasts three years and includes the **paraclinical subjects** Animal Breeding & Husbandry, Pathology, Pharmacology, Toxicology, Immunology, Microbiology, Virology, Pathophysiology, Parasitology, Epizootiology, Animal Nutrition, Animal Hygiene, Food Hygiene, State Veterinary Medicine and Economics, and Forensic Veterinary Medicine.
- Parallel to these, the student has a large number of **weekly clinical hours** in Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Surgery, Obstetrics and Animal Reproduction.
- The clinical-paraclinical period includes several extramural practicums. Subjects listed for both the pre-clinical and the paraclinical-clinical periods are the core studies complemented with a **number of minor and elective subjects**.



Final exams are typically oral, semi-finals and mid-terms are both oral and written.

All graduates of the Budapest veterinary school have had their diplomas accepted, or easily passed the local board exam (where it was needed) at their home countries and they are working as fully licensed veterinarians.

Services

- students get all the necessary help and **support to settle down**, get adjusted to their new life and become successful in their studies
- help with **residence permit** and **visa** issues
- **colourful student life** and international student association
- **student events** organized by the University and by students to help shape the community
- **canteen** available on campus
- **mental health counselling**
- **study rooms**
- the **Veterinary Science Library, Archives and Museum** has a rich collection and the museum of veterinary history is particularly valuable
- the library is a **modern information centre** with current journals and books in veterinary science and biology in printed or electronic format, an online catalogue, a digital library, large international databases
- a **computer room, printing, copying** facilities and **Wi-Fi** are also available
- **cafeteria** available on campus
- 1 year **preparatory program** for students who do not feel prepared for university studies (organized by McDaniel College, Budapest)
- **gym** available on campus
- **Small and Large Animal Clinics** (where students can practice)
- **skills lab** available for students to improve their techniques
- Hungarian **student ID card** – enables students to use many discounts (public transport, entry tickets etc.)
- the University operates a **shuttle-service** between the Campus and the Field Station



University fees

Application fee: 200 EUR

Exam fee: 250 EUR

Tuition fee: 6,780 EUR (first semester) + 4,200 EUR (second semester) = 10,980 EUR (total/year)

(The deposit of 800 EUR is payable two weeks after acceptance.

It is part of the first semester's tuition fee and is non-refundable.)

Cost of living in Budapest

Accommodation: approx. 400-500 EUR/month

Food:
bread (1 kg) – 0.80 EUR
cappuccino in a café – 1.5 EUR
apple (1 kg) – 1 EUR
meal in an inexpensive restaurant – 4-5 EUR

Public transportation pass: 34 EUR/month (11 EUR/month with a student ID)

1 pair of jeans: 50-60 EUR

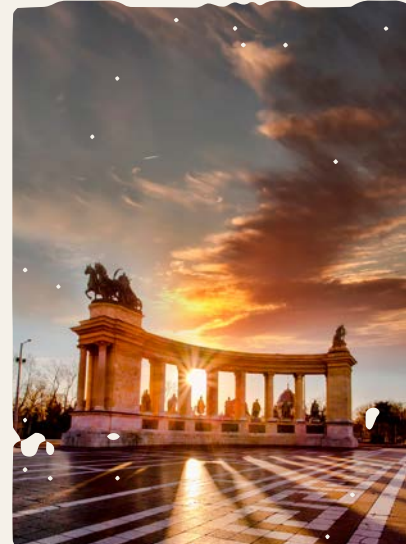
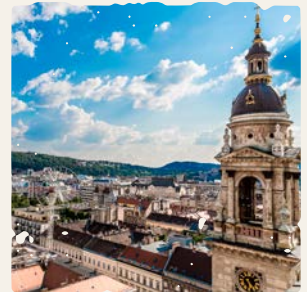
Medical insurance: approx. 25-30 EUR/month

According to several surveys (for example: LeFigaro.fr), Budapest is the cheapest university city in Europe for international students.

Scholarship possibility:

Stipendium Hungaricum (Hungarian state scholarship)

www.stipendiumhungaricum.hu



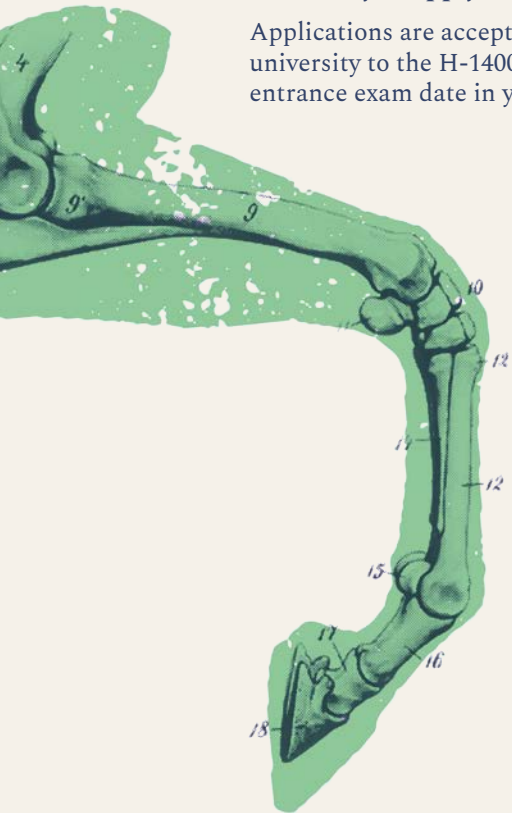
Application and admission

What do you need to apply to the University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest?

- application form
- high school leaving certificate
- curriculum vitae (resume)
- short medical report
- copy of passport with your personal data
- three passport size photos
- letters of recommendation can be enclosed

How can you apply?

Applications are accepted through the local representatives or can be sent directly to the university to the H-1400 Budapest PO Box. 2. (Hungary) address by 31 May (or until the local entrance exam date in your country, see list at www.univet.hu/en).



What does the entrance exam look like?

Admission is granted based on an entrance exam (the students' educational background in science subjects is not relevant as long as they take a successful entrance exam). Entrance exams are organized all around the world and in Budapest.

The entrance exam is in Biology, Chemistry and English (general English + language in relation to academic subjects). Applicants take a written exam and participate in an oral interview with a professor.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the vetmed@univet.hu email address.

Testimonials



"I think all of the teachers were knowledgeable and approachable but I would like to highlight my lab teacher who is a wonderful lecturer. Her presentations and lectures were excellent in terms of being interesting and informative."

"Very interesting and relevant subjects! Good teachers, good spoken English."

"The professors in the departments are so nice and friendly. There are no problems there whatsoever."

"The booklet for the practicals are very well written. It describes the tasks thoroughly and provides the necessary informations for a successful practical. The tasks performed during the practicals is also very educational as they are relevant to future studies."

"The practical teachers are very nice and helpful during experiments and make the labs fun and interesting. For a student that has a very hard time with orals the teachers are very helpful in the sense that they give you opportunity to think, answer, rethink your answer and practise your oral skills. This is extremely valuable especially when you're not a native English speaker and has little experience of oral examinations. They give you a chance to practice and improve yourself."

"Most of the departments are great, well organised and clear about everything. Very approachable."



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