

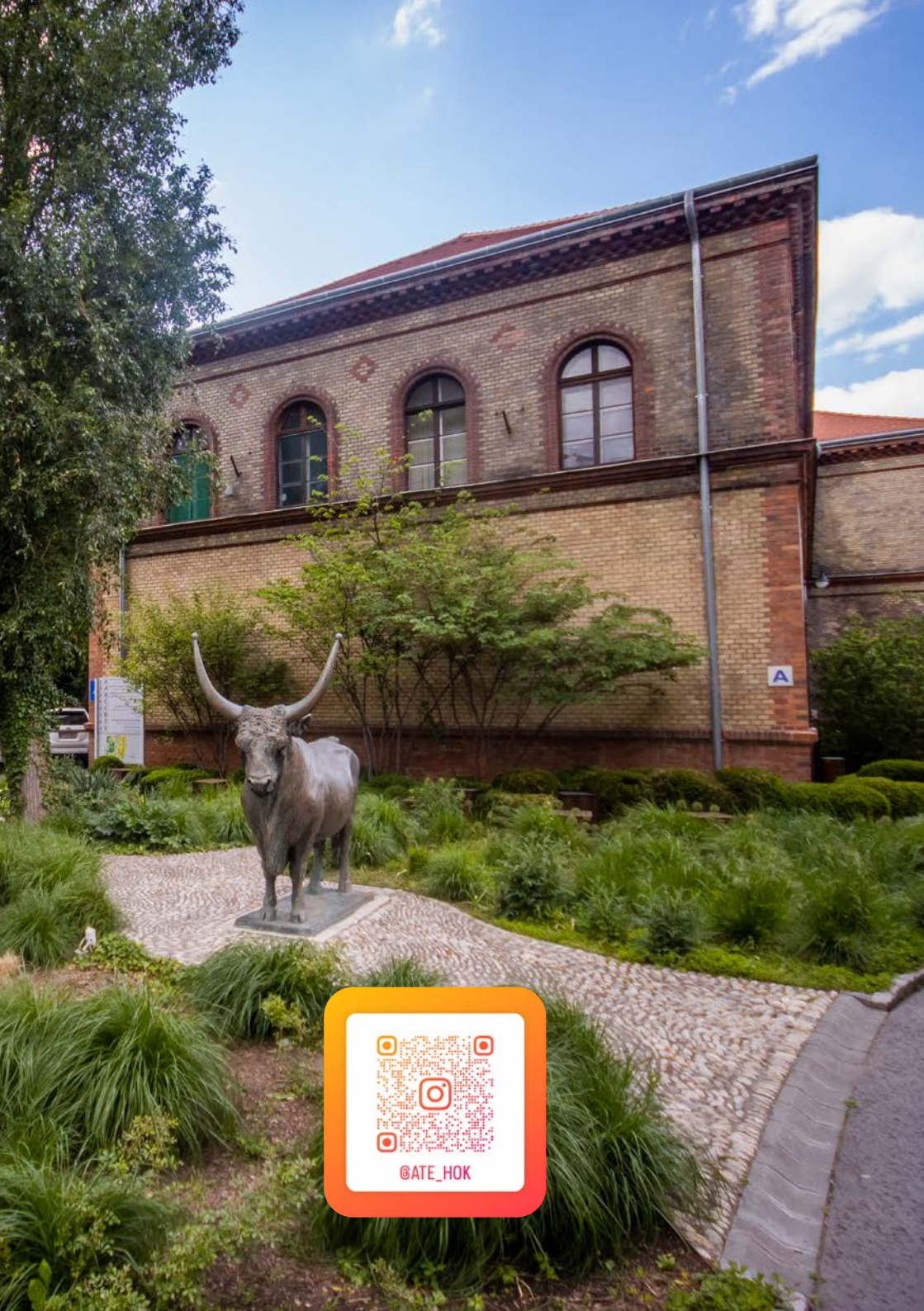


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Dear Freshmen, future Colleagues!

**It is with immense love and pride
that I welcome you all!**

Take a moment to stop, look around, and above all: be incredibly proud of yourselves. At the same time, don't forget to look back at the journey that brought you here with gratitude—be thankful to your parents, your friends, and everyone who supported you. Express your thanks for every positive or even negative influence, because ultimately, all of these pushed you forward and contributed to you sitting here today.



The years ahead of you will be wonderful, but I'm not going to lie: it will be tough. There will be moments when you feel like you've hit rock bottom and nothing is working out. But it is precisely in these moments that you will truly feel and appreciate the strength of our tight-knit community here. There will always be someone with a piece of advice or a kind word for you, or even someone who has gone through the exact same thing.

Most importantly—and please keep this in mind—no exam is worth sacrificing your mental or emotional health for. Keep your four-legged and two-legged friends close, and see these 5.5 years through. Take care of each other and yourselves.

Enjoy every single minute of being in a bubble for the coming years, surrounded by an extremely smart, intelligent, and accepting community. Make no mistake, studying is very important, but perhaps even more important is the fact that these young years only happen once in a person's life, and we are fortunate enough to be standing right at the threshold.

Love deeply, party hard, play sports, and make the most of every minute! Because although the hours and days will often feel endlessly long, believe me, the months and years will fly by.

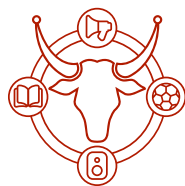
Keep your eyes open as you go through this journey—after all, it's very possible that during these years you'll meet the future godparents of your children, your future partner, or a lifelong circle of friends who will be by your side for every important moment of your life.

On behalf of the Student Council, welcome to our University!

Zoé Sendula

5th-year student

President of the Student Council



Firsthand Experience: Year One

Dear Freshmen,

Soon, an adventure is about to begin in your lives that you have likely been looking forward to for a long time. Congratulations on being admitted to the university of your dreams—a place that is about much more than just studying. The next five and a half years hold countless experiences, challenges, and memories in store for you.

Before you fully dive into university life, however, the freshman meetup and the freshman camp await. Be brave enough to reach out to others, as it may very well turn out that the people you meet here are the ones you will share the best memories of the coming years with.



Once the academic year begins, university life will sweep you up almost instantly. Coming up are the Ökösütés (ox roast), the Equus parties, the Marek Days, and so many other events where you can not only relax, but also get to know each other and the senior students even better. I warmly encourage everyone to take part in these events, because this is where you'll experience the moments you'll look back on with fondness later on.

Of course, you'll also quickly realize that the University of Veterinary Medicine is famous for its challenges for good reason. During your first anatomy classes, every Latin word might seem like it has its own story, and the first dissections will be equal parts exciting and terrifying. At times, it will feel impossible to absorb so much new information, but believe me, every senior student felt the exact same way.

Then, before you know it, the first exam period arrives. There will be long study sessions lasting late into the night or until dawn, words of encouragement shared between friends, and moments when it all feels like too much. But everyone goes through the same struggles, and there will always be someone to help, motivate, or just listen. That is precisely why one of the university's greatest strengths is its community—the upperclassmen are always ready to help, so never hesitate to ask them questions, request study notes, or seek advice before an exam.

There will be no shortage of fun in the second semester either, with more Equus parties and the historic Equus Days waiting for you.

If you're staying in the dorms, you'll soon realize it's not just a place to sleep, but so much more. Dorm nights, spontaneous conversations, and studying together create memories that will greatly define your university years and your life beyond.

Enjoy this time to the fullest! Don't be afraid to ask questions or make mistakes, get to know as many people as possible, party, and don't forget to put the books down every once in a while. Just like any other, the first year goes by very quickly, and before you know it, you'll be the ones welcoming the next incoming class.

I wish you the best of luck on this wonderful, yet challenge-filled journey. I hope you find your place in this special community, make lifelong friends, and never lose the enthusiasm with which you now enter the university gates.

See you in September!

Luca Kiss-Leizer

2nd-year student



Let's improve all together the Hungarian-international relationships!

The multicultural community of our university gives the perfect opportunity for students to connect with other people with different cultural backgrounds and to widen their worldview. With the collaboration of the Hungarian Student Committee (HÖK), the International Students Committee (ISC), the International Veterinary Students Association (IVSA) and the university leadership, some programs became available for both Hungarian and international students as well. The most special day in the year is the international day during spring, where the students can introduce the food of their own culture and have the culinary experience to try the food of others. Great programs of autumn are the Ox-roast and the Octoberfest. Since last semester we introduced two programs for interna-



tional students as well: the wine tasting on the Thursday of Equus week and a concert, where our own students showed their talent in music. There are the so called "Equus parties" during the year, where mostly Hungarians going, but it's open also for internationals and we are always happy to see them coming.

Thankfully last year we saw improvement of more internationals coming to these parties, and for that to improve more, we always keep certain amount of tickets for internationals. These programs are a great beginning to bring international and Hungarian students closer however there's still plenty of place for improvement. There are so many people here from different cultural backgrounds, and the opportunities, that are given with that, are not used enough. The student committees are working on that throughout the whole year, and for that we need the contribution of everyone in this uni. The power, to improve this, is in all of us, and we can all individually help this situation. We encourage everyone to be open, to initiate conversations and build relationships.

Flóra Iker

3rd-year student



IVSA

IVSA (International Veterinary Students Association) Hungary is an association open to all students at our university. It aims to foster closer relationships among students worldwide through exchanges and symposia, while bringing students closer within our university through various educational and social events.

The existence of standing committees on Veterinary Education, Animal Welfare, One Health, Wellness, and Career Development, together with networks in Wild and Exotic Animals, Pathology, and Alumni, allows our members to contribute to specific fields of interest and get actively involved.

Countries are represented as IVSA Member Organisations (Mos), and local veterinary chapters operate under their respective Mos. As the one and only university offering veterinary education in Hungary, we represent both IVSA Budapest and IVSA Hungary. This dual role brings us increased flexibility and broader communication.

We will announce our official annual meeting in September, where you can learn more about IVSA and how to become a member.

I wish you a fantastic university life at UVMB and hope to see you join us!

Berke Ata Onur
President of IVSA Hungary



International Student Committee (ISC)

The International Student Committee (ISC) is here to support all students throughout their university journey. We provide guidance and assistance to international students who may be struggling with university life, and we are always available to listen to concerns, answer questions, and help address any issues students may encounter.

Our committee also organizes a variety of social events open to all students, creating opportunities for international and Hungarian students to meet, connect, and build lasting friendships. Our goal is to foster an inclusive, welcoming community where everyone feels supported and has a place to belong.



Whether you need advice, have a complaint or concern, or simply want to get involved and meet new people, the ISC is here for you.

Follow us on Instagram **@isc_univet** for the latest updates on events, announcements, and ways to get involved. We look forward to welcoming you to our community!

Grégorie Poul
5th-year student





Gastro

The newly opened **VetBite** canteen in the Student Center welcomes students on campus. A weekly updating lunch menu, fresh sandwiches, and refreshments keep the selection diverse and exciting.

Who are you when you're hungry? Grab a **Hari!** You can get Budapest's best **kebab** right next to our university. No, they didn't pay me to write this, I genuinely mean it. And it's not just me—I can confidently say all my fellow students agree. Not only do you get to eat an awesome kebab, but you're also guaranteed to run into at least one fellow UVMB (ÁTE) student to vent about the week's struggles.

If you got accepted into the university—and if you're reading this, you definitely did (high five for that!)—then I have more good news: this also makes you eligible for a **Hari Club card**, which gives you various discounts every time you grab a Hari.



On top of the delicious kebab, friendly and attentive service as well as a cozy atmosphere are guaranteed. And if that weren't enough: feel free to bring your **dog** along—they'll get some treats in the **dog-friendly** corner too!

Besides all this, they host **Harifest** every year, which is an extra opportunity to have fun. It's organized together with Guri (featured below),

much to our delight. During the festival, there's a beer pong tournament, you can craft your own kebab—which you can even enter into a beauty contest—and you should be ready for pálinka, a raffle, and an incredible atmosphere.

Bottom line, one thing is for sure: Hari Kebab will become one of your main hang-outs during your university years. And afterwards, too.

Emma Kléh

If you know a lecture is going to be super boring, I have a great tip on how to spice it up. Stop by the Keleti Waiting Room beforehand. (Or instead of it.)

Quality craft beer flows from 20 taps, curated with excellent taste by Zoli and Csabi. From lagers and IPAs to fruity beers, stouts, and all the way to gooses, everyone will find something to their liking. You'll find brews from Mad Scientist, Szent András, Fehér Nyúl, Rekettye, and Monyo, just to name a few. You can even buy takeaways of the evening's favorites. Cozy ruin-pub style, friendly service, plenty of good beer... honestly, I could stop the article right here.

But then you wouldn't learn about a few crucial things:

- Free drinks await you on your birthday and name day.
- The Keleti Waiting Room team is also behind the military ambulance that pops up at various university events to make sure you don't get dehydrated.
- With your student KWR card, you get a 10% discount.

Here, it never matters how your exam went: whether you're drinking to drown your sorrows or to celebrate, you won't find a better place to knock back a beer (or six).

There's really only one problem with Keleti Waiting Room... no matter how hard I tried to pop in „just for one beer,” it somehow always turned into more.

During your years spent here, you'll probably drink almost as much beer as water—and even though that might sound alarming, you're going to love it.



VetStud Clothes

Below you will find a brief summary of the university apparel available to you, but first and foremost, we would like to congratulate you on your admission to the university! You have been given the opportunity to further enhance our university's great reputation. For now, you might only know this from hearsay, but starting in September, you will experience firsthand that although we are a small group of veterinary and zoology students, we form an exceptionally tight-knit community.



It is an uplifting feeling to be a member of this close, elite community, and our university apparel gives you the chance to remind yourselves of this every day and show the world how proud you are to be a vet student!

It is important to us that, in addition to being affordable for students, our products are practical and stand the test of time during hands-on use. We consider it a special honor that, alongside students, university staff also love to buy from us. We can confidently say that our products will be a reliable support in almost every situation over the next 5.5 years ahead of you—whether during practical classes, where you'll learn the basics of this wonderful profession wearing our lab coats in the early years and scrubs later on, or during the trials of exam seasons and sports competitions, where you can boost your comfort with our cozy hoodies. Last but not least, the extra boost of confidence that comes with wearing our university tie during oral exams can really help in tricky situations! Our inventory is constantly updated, and we also accept custom orders.

Here's what you can find with us:

- A wide selection of polo shirts and classic t-shirts with the university logo and vet-themed designs
- Hoodies & sweatshirts
- Ties
- Surgical scrubs
- Lab coats—you will need these right away during the practical classes in the first few weeks, so we'd like to highlight that you will be able to buy them from us as early as enrollment day. You won't need to place a separate order or stress about when and where to get them!

Alongside our existing lineup, we are always planning new additions. That's why it's worth following our Facebook page, where you can stay informed about currently available items, ask any questions, leave feedback, or place new orders. You can also find out there when we will be selling on campus in any given week.

If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out to us in person, via private message on FB, or on the VetStud Clothes Facebook page. You can find us almost every week in the Student Center ("HK" / canteen / cafeteria), and we'll be there at most university events. Everyone is warmly welcome!

Best regards,

The VetStud Clothes Team: Dániel Szatmári and Benedek Talpag

SPORT

Dear Freshmen,

Having survived summer break, and with all the summer festivals and travels behind us, it's worth considering using that big burst of September momentum to get our slightly weakened bodies back into shape.

Our university is home to countless student-athletes, and among our alumni, several Olympic gold medalists and world champion veterinarians set an inspiring example for us—their names are preserved on a marble plaque right here on campus.

Just like in other higher education institutions, mandatory Physical Education is part of our curriculum. This means **3 semesters for zoology students** and **5 semesters for veterinary students**.

You have several ways to fulfill this requirement:

- **Scheduled PE Classes:** You can choose regular scheduled classes led by qualified, dedicated, and highly motivating instructors in small group settings. These usually take place in a fantastic atmosphere, offering a great way to recharge both body and mind.
- **Sports Clubs & External Training:** You can be exempt from weekly classes if you train in one of the university's sports clubs (volleyball, basketball, floorball, TRX, yoga, folk dance) or at an external club, provided you present an official certificate.

Additionally, the gymnasium and its equipment are fully available to you during free time slots, and a recently renovated gym also awaits you from morning till night!

We are deeply passionate about keeping our community healthy and balanced, but even more importantly, it is play, competition, and that drive to push through that truly bring us together. And sport is the perfect way to do just that.

With that in mind, we can't wait to welcome you in September—we're looking forward to getting active together!

Benedek Talpag



Notes



Map of the University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest

Rottenbiller st.

István st.



Dembinszky st.

Bethlen Gábor square

Bethlen Gábor st.

Department of Anatomy and Histology: **Building E**

Main Hall: **Building G**

Department of Animal Hygiene, Herd Health and Mobile Clinic: **Building J**

Department of Biostatistics: **Building L**

Student Centre / Cafeteria: **Building P**

Foreign Language Department: **Building N**

Department of Chemistry: **Building C**

Fitness Room: **Building F**

Library: **Building D**

Academic Affairs Office: **Building H**

Rector's Office: **Building H**

Gymnasium: **Building G**