CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Additional financial support for students and staff with disabilities or long-term illnesses participating in the Erasmus+ program

2025/2026 and 2026/2027 academic years
(In the case of KA171 projects up until the 2027/2028 academic year)

Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME) and **Tempus Public Foundation** are inviting applications for additional support for students or staff with disabilities or long-term illnesses studying/working in higher education who have won an Erasmus+ mobility scholarship in the 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 academic years. The aim of the additional support is to provide equal opportunities in the field of higher education for outgoing participants with special needs in the Erasmus+ program.

Who can apply?

Students and staff who have won an Erasmus+ scholarship for the 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 academic years are eligible to apply if they have a disability (e.g. visually impaired, physically disabled, hearing impaired, diabetic, lactose or gluten intolerant or other Erasmus+ participants with other medical conditions) and

- **their condition causes a verifiable additional cost of living abroad** compared to the average cost of living abroad,
  or
- **their disability may be a disadvantage in their participation in Erasmus+ mobility.**

What costs are eligible?

- Students intending to apply for **Additional financial support for students with fewer opportunities** under the category "Participants with health conditions", they can apply for it in connection with any health, psychological, learning disability, etc. In such cases, itemized application is required, only medical or other documents (psychology report, etc.) proving the eligibility are compulsory.
- In the case of higher education **staff members** or participants who are already eligible for **Additional financial support for students with fewer opportunities** under other criteria:
  - Additional support may be requested to support **additional costs** related to mobility to overcome obstacles to participation in the program: these are well-defined, specific expenses that are directly related to relocation, travel, and residence abroad.
  - Only items that arise **related to mobility**, in connection with a chronic illness or disability are eligible.
  - The Erasmus+ participant cannot finance the eligible costs from any other source.

What costs are not eligible?

The purpose of the additional support is not to support the usual costs related to the participant's everyday life (e.g., meals, daily necessities, medicine): i.e., costs that would be incurred in Hungary

without mobility are eligible only if they represent a significant additional cost over and above the costs incurred in Hungary.

How to apply

To apply, submit **the appropriate application form completed in full**.

Compulsory attachments:
Medical history summary or General Practitioner/Specialist certificate to support and validate the medical history summary, confirming the existence of the illness or disability.

- In the case of a **chronic illness**, proof of the existence of the illness must be provided by an outpatient form, a final report or a certificate issued by a specialist.
    - This document must include the diagnosis of the illness or disability, the name and address of the place of work of the doctor who issued the document, and the doctor's signature and stamp. The information on the doctor's stamp must be legible.
    - If the applicant downloads the certificate of illness or disability from the **EESZT** (Egységes Egészségügyi Szolgáltatási Tér – "Single Health Service Space") or from another source available on the Internet, it must be certified (stamped and signed) by the applicant's general practitioner or doctor administering treatment.
    - The submission of a laboratory or imaging diagnostic report is not necessary and such reports alone, without a diagnosis by a clinical specialist (internist, gastroenterologist, allergist, orthopedic specialist, etc.), cannot be accepted, even if they bear the stamp of a specialist with a clinical laboratory examination. A diagnosis or certificate issued by a general practitioner is sufficient.
    - In the case of a long-standing chronic illness that **cannot be cured according to current scientific knowledge**, if the applicant is only applying for additional support to maintain his diet, it is sufficient to submit an older medical document if it meets the above criteria.

- In the case of support for maintaining a **special diet**, the attached specialist report must include information relevant for the diet, or the need for the diet must be made clear in the diagnosis. The additional costs of maintaining the diet must be supported by information on prices in the destination country. Without supporting documentation, the amount of support requested cannot be considered to be duly justified.

- in the case of a **claim for medication costs, travel, laboratory and/or specialist tests abroad, or medical treatment abroad**, a document is required from the treating doctor (general practitioner or the competent specialist), **issued not more than three months ago**, stating the diagnosis of the illness, and
    - **in the case of a request for medication**, the medicines used and their dosage (the general practitioner may prescribe up to 3-6 months' supply of medicines if justified.)
    - if the applicant is applying for additional support for follow-up examinations or for **travelling home** for treatment in Hungary, precise information on the need, reasons and frequency of travel home;
    - in the case of a request for support for laboratory and/or specialist **examinations abroad** or for medical treatment, the specific proposal for such treatment.

The application must be submitted **electronically to the coordinator of the sending institution (at erasmus.kieg@bme.hu e-mail address) using the form provided, completed digitally:**

Documents to be submitted:

- A digital version of the application form (.xlsx file) **completed in full**
- The scanned version of the compulsory attachment(s)
- A signed, scanned version of the individual application form

A valid application can only be submitted if it includes the provided application form and the listed compulsory attachments.

Deadline for submission of application

May 22, 2026

November 20, 2026

February 19, 2027

Further deadlines for the 36-month KA171 projects:

May 21, 2027

November 19, 2027

February 18, 2028

May 19, 2028

Evaluation of applications, decision-making

The formal assessment of the applications is carried out by the sending higher education institution, while the content is assessed by an independent medical expert appointed by Tempus Public Foundation.

Later correction is not possible. The decision on the applications and the amount of the grant will be determined by the Board of Trustees of Tempus Public within 60 days of the submission deadline, and there is no possibility of appeal against the decision of the Board of Trustees of TPF.

Amount and settlement of the additional support

Based on the summary of the medical history, the medical experts will make a recommendation on the eligibility for the additional financial support, assessed from the point of view of mobility. Applicants should note that the additional support does not always cover all additional costs incurred during mobility.

1. **Student mobility**

    a. **Additional financial support for students with fewer opportunities** under the category "Participants with health conditions": if the need for the additional support is supported by the documents submitted, the amount of the financial support for students is **€250 per month.** For short-term student mobility, a **one-off payment of €100** (for mobility of 1-14 days) or **€150** (for mobility of 15-30 days). In this case, **no itemised application is necessary**, nor is an itemised account of the use of the grant required at the end of the mobility.

    b. If the student needs additional support **exceeding 250 euros per month** for the mobility or **has applied for another category in Additional financial support for students with fewer opportunities**, **additional support may only be applied for with an itemised claim and an itemised account of the use of the grant**. In this case, the applicant must **list the items** in the application form for which they require additional

support and the amount of support requested. **The application form must indicate the amounts requested for the whole period.** Only items closely linked to the stay abroad may be supported. **Based on the submitted documents, the amount of the additional financial support - proposed by the medical experts - can only be requested and reported based on an itemised justification. Further than that, the total amount must be supported by invoices in every case.**

Student mobility	Amount of support	Form of application	Settlement
for study / traineeship	a flat rate of €250/month	flat rate	N/A
for short-term student mobility	a one-off amount of €100 (for mobility of 1-14 days), or €150 (for mobility of 15-30 days)	flat rate	N/A
for requests over €250	amount proposed by the medical experts	**Itemised**	Itemised list for the total amount
For students who also receive fewer opportunities support on other grounds	amount proposed by the medical experts	**Itemised**	Itemised list for the total amount

2. In all cases of mobility of **higher education staff**, an itemised list of the items requested is required at the time of application and the outgoing staff member must provide invoices to prove the use of the full amount of the additional support awarded at the end of the mobility.

Mobility of higher education staff	Amount of support	Form of application	Settlement
Teaching or training mobility	amount proposed by the medical experts	Itemised	Itemised list for the total amount

Use of support, settlement

For staff mobility and for student mobility where the additional financial support awarded exceeds €250 per month, the additional support can only be used for the costs requested in the application and approved by the Board of Trustees of Tempus Public Foundation. Proof of use must be provided with an itemised list supported by invoices by the participant at the end of the mobility. Itemised invoices must be submitted by the participant at the end of the mobility.

The additional support will be transferred by the sending higher education institution to the supported applicant.

For further information, contact your institution's Erasmus+ coordinator (erasmus.kieg@bme.hu) or Tempus Public Foundation (ka131@tpf.hu).

Attachments:

- Application form