

EDUCATION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS IN THE 1ST SEMESTER OF 2020/2021

Prepared by Wekerle Sándor Business School (WBS) on August 17th and updated on September 14th, 2020 for the implementation of the international training programmes in the form of on-campus education at WBS on the basis of the documents issued by the State Secretariat for Higher Education, Innovation and Vocational Training: 'Procedure for the special rules for the entry into Hungary and medical examinations of non-Hungarian students and those employed in higher education' and the 'Sectoral recommendation on the organization of higher education in the event of a health crisis'. On-campus education is possible due to the relatively low number of foreign students on the programmes of WBS.

According to the Government Decree 341/2020. (VII. 12.) on travel restrictions during the epidemiological preparedness period, those who have a D-type visa or a valid residence permit issued by the Aliens Police Authority for a period of more than 90 days (e.g. for study purposes) entitling them to stay in the territory of Hungary or, and present the document upon entry to Hungary, are subject to the same treatment as Hungarian citizens.

A foreign student holding a residence permit or a D-type visa entitling the holder to obtain a residence permit will be issued a WBS certificate for entry from abroad, on the basis of which the data of the concerned student is recorded on a central unified electronic interface set up for inspection by the National Police Headquarters. (The data of foreign students who have already arrived in the country and have a valid residence permit have also been recorded there.) On the certificate prepared by WBS, the student enters the address of his / her accommodation in Hungary, the place and time of entry into the country, as well as the transit countries before entry. Upon entry, the international student will present this certificate to the authorities, then take up the accommodation specified on the certificate within 24 hours and register by e-mail at the WBS International Student Office if the medical examination at the time of entry, which he/she is obliged to tolerate, has not diagnosed any suspicion of infection.

At the given accommodation, the foreign student is placed in an official home quarantine for 14 days. The accommodation must comply with the rules of official home quarantine, i.e. it must be capable of completely separating the quarantined person (by using a separate social block belonging to the room). The epidemiological authority shall register the person placed in an official home quarantine and the competent police body shall regularly monitor compliance with the quarantine. **Violation of the quarantine obligation will result in the termination of the student status.**

Epidemiological monitoring is not required if the student has presented the results of a molecular biological test - SARS-CoV-2 test - performed twice in line with health occupational rules, at least 48 hours apart, within 5 days prior to entering Hungary, which certify that SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus was not detectable in the body at the time of the examination, or if he/she credibly proves that he/she has already been ill during the six months prior to entry. A SARS-CoV-2 PCR test performed in a Schengen country, the United States of America or Canada certifying the result with relevant Hungarian or English document shall also be taken into account as the first SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.

At the request of a foreign student, it is allowed to participate in a molecular biological test - the SARS-CoV-2 test – twice, at least 48 hours apart, in line with the professional rules of health. The institution designated for WBS students to have molecular biological examination is the Semmelweis University.

- Department of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery, 1083 Bp., Szigony u. 36.
- appointment: 06/20/825-9600
- office hours: weekdays from 8.00 to 11.00
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- contact person designated by WBS: Patayné Malomsoki Éva, International Programme Organization Centre, int.std.hco@wsuf.hu, 06/1/501-7450

Using public transport to visit the sampling site is forbidden and you must arrive at a pre-arranged time in a mask. The student may leave official home quarantine with the permission of the epidemiological authority responsible for issuing the decisions on ordering official home quarantine if the results of both molecular biological tests confirm that SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus was not detectable in his/her body at the time of the test.

Before entering the WBS building, the international student must declare, by completing an online questionnaire, whether he or she has any symptoms or suspicions of infection. If so, a **visit to the institution is strictly forbidden and he/she must be quarantined for 14 days at his/her accommodation, which can be redeemed by two negative SARS-CoV-2 tests** as described above.

The same has to be done if there is a change in any of the previously given negative answers to the questionnaire, and in that case WBS International Programme Organization Centre must be notified of the change immediately.

The institution can only be visited by healthy students, teachers and staff, so a temperature check will be made upon entry. Entry is prohibited at temperatures above 37.5°C. Students, (or teachers, staff) concerned must leave and stay in quarantine for 14 days at their place of accommodation, which rule can be redeemed by presenting two negative SARS-CoV-2 tests as described above.

Upon entry, all students, teachers, and staff are also required to use a hand sanitizer located at the front desk, which must be repeated several times a day, before each lesson.

In all rooms of the building, students, teachers and staff should try to keep a protective distance of one and a half meters and are obliged to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth.

Cough etiquette should also be kept, i.e. preferably a disposable handkerchief or, lacking that, an elbow bend should be used, and unnecessary contact with the face should be avoided.

Office matters should preferably be handled online by e-mail. If, however, there is personal administration, is necessary, only one student or teacher can be at an office workstation at a time, the others will have to wait in the hallway, keeping a protective distance and wearing a mask.

The above rules also apply to the conduct of examinations, with the addition that students must be given individual dates for oral examinations.

The rules concerning the regular cleaning, disinfection and ventilation of the rooms used by foreign students is the same as for the rooms used by Hungarian students.

Besides adhering to and enforcing the above measures, WBS is also preparing for out-of-school, digital work schedules for students residing in Hungary.