



Working Holiday Hungary

Complete guide to requirements and application

Universal Requirements

Key rules, amounts, and fundamental documentation that apply to different nationalities to access the Hungarian visa.

Basic Visa Rules



Permitted Age

Generally open to young adults aged 18 to 30 inclusive. Certain nationalities (such as Argentina, Chile, and New Zealand) can apply up to age 35.



Passport Validity

Your passport must be valid for at least 12 months from the estimated date of entry into the country, plus have blank pages available.



Available Quotas

There is an annual limit that varies by country of origin. While some have 100 or 200 spots, others can reach up to 500 quotas per year.

Proof of Funds

3,000€

Estimated Base Funds

Economic Solvency

It is required to prove you have sufficient funds for initial maintenance upon arriving in Hungary. The exact amount varies by country (e.g., Taiwan requires 4,000€). Additionally, you must prove you have a return flight ticket to your home country, or the extra funds needed to purchase it in the future.

How do I prove my funds?

- ▶ Through official bank statements from the last 3 months proving sufficient balance.
- ▶ As a general rule, the account must be exclusively in the applicant's name.
- ▶ Sponsors or third-party accounts are not accepted in most cases (exception: Australia).
- ▶ Applicants from certain countries (e.g., Chile, Argentina) can present their parents' bank statements by attaching proof of kinship.



Criminal Records and Health



Criminal Records

Unlike other European destinations, Hungary does require the mandatory presentation of a criminal record certificate. This document must be original, valid, and duly apostilled or legalized as appropriate for your country.



Medical Exams

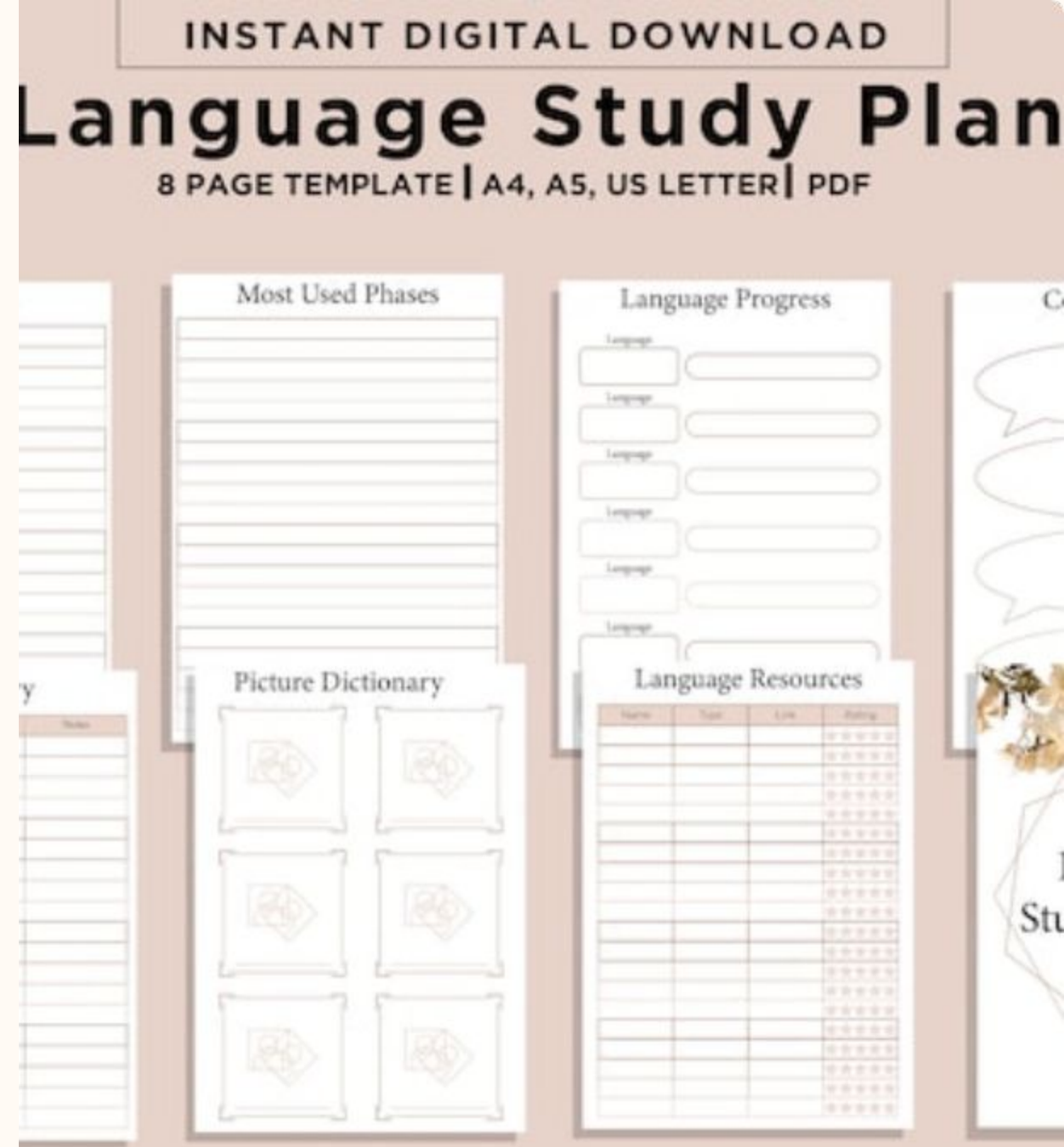
Rigorous clinical analyses are not requested. However, a general medical certificate must be presented proving the applicant is in good health and does not suffer from infectious diseases that pose a risk.

Language and Translation

Mandatory Translations

Every document issued in Spanish must have an official or certified translation into English or Hungarian.

Knowing the language is not exclusive, but proving a functional level of English is recommended (mandatory for Ecuador and Australia).



Travel Medical Insurance



Mandatory Policy

It is a strict and universal requirement to approve the visa. You must purchase a travel insurance policy covering medical expenses, hospitalization, and medical or funeral repatriation. The minimum required coverage is 30,000 Euros and it must be valid for the entirety of your planned stay (12 full months).

Education and Studies

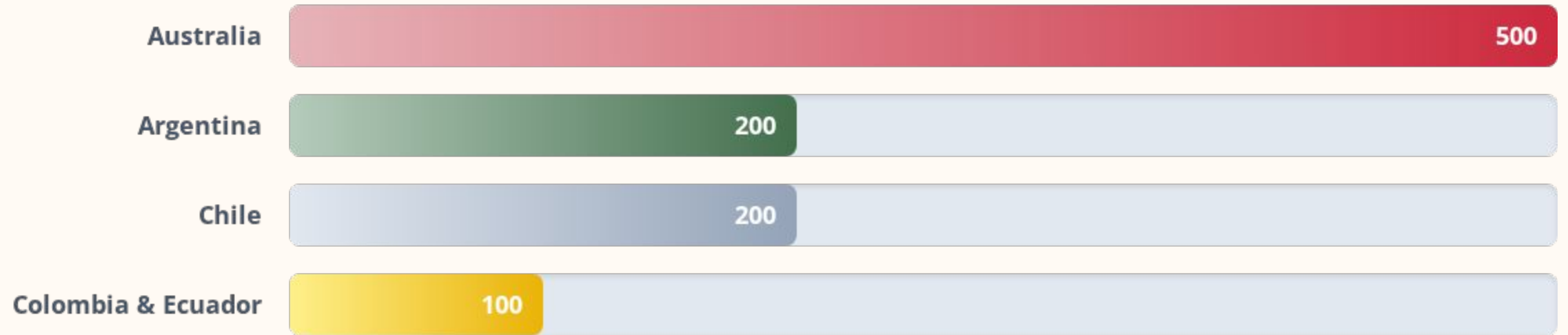
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The program allows young adults to undertake studies, access the academic offer, or take training courses in Hungary, provided the total duration does not exceed 6 months.

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Available Quotas by Nationality



Note: Countries like Japan and Hong Kong have 200 spots. New Zealand, South Korea, and Taiwan have 100 annual quotas. Availability usually remains stable for most of the year.

Application Process

1. Preparation

Gather the required documentation, including official translations and apostilles on criminal records.

2. Application

It is usually a hybrid process. The application is initiated online and an in-person appointment is scheduled at the embassy for submission.





3. Processing

Once the biometric and physical documents are submitted, approval takes an average of 3 to 4 weeks.

4. Travel

With the approved visa, you can travel. Remember it is not renewable or extendable beyond exactly 12 months.

Key Visa Facts

-  **Maximum Duration:** The visa is granted for a strict period of 12 months. It is not renewable and, due to current treaties, you cannot extend it or change your immigration status within Hungary.
-  **Consular Fee:** The average cost of the process is 110 Euros (Paid digitally or in person). Notable exception: for Japanese citizens, the cost is 0€.
-  **Education Requirements:** In general, a completed high school education is sufficient. However, Ecuador and Australia require a tertiary degree or a minimum of 2 years of completed university studies.
-  **Entry to the Country:** For some nationalities, the process can be initiated even after having entered Hungarian territory as a tourist, managing it directly there.

Official Application Checklist

Category	Required Document	Condition
Identity	Passport and Photograph	Validity > 12 months and recent photo.
Legal and Health	Criminal Records and Med. Cert.	Apostilled and translated / Good general health.
Economic	Bank Statements (Last 3 months)	In applicant's name (Initial funds + Flight ticket).
Logistics	Medical Insurance, Flight and Accommodation	Coverage 30,000€ (12 months) / Prior reservations.

Top Destinations for your Adventure



Budapest

The jewel of the Danube. Immense cultural life, majestic historical architecture, and the famous Ruin Bars.



Debrecen

The second largest city, known as the cultural capital of the Great Hungarian Plain.



Szeged

The "City of Sunshine". Perfect for student and youth life, famous for its beauty and relaxed atmosphere.

Questions?

Thank you for your attention and best of luck with your application to Hungary!

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