

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
FOR THE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
1st semester of the 2026/2027 academic year

The Vice Dean for Education of the Faculty of Science and Technology invites applications for the Distinguished Professional Scholarship from students who demonstrate **outstanding professional and/or academic performance beyond the requirements of their curriculum.**

Duties:

- Gaining experience in the preparation and teaching of practical classes and seminars.
- Becoming familiar with the professional activities of a department and acquiring the fundamentals of research.
- Active participation in the department/institute's dissemination activities (science communication and student recruitment).

Students enrolled in full-time bachelor's, master's, or undivided programmes who have **active** student status in the 2nd semester of the 2025/2026 academic year and in the 1st semester of the 2026/2027 academic year may apply for the Distinguished Professional Scholarship, provided that they meet the following requirements:

- a) **State-funded, full-time student.**
- b) They must not be receiving a National Higher Education Scholarship.
- c) They must have completed a total of at least **55 credits** in the 1st and 2nd semesters of the 2025/2026 academic year (including at least 15 professional credits per semester), and the average of **the weighted academic averages** of their two most recently completed semesters must be at least **4.00** at the University of Debrecen Faculty of Science and Technology.
- d) **Students who have exceeded the prescribed duration of their programme are not eligible to apply.**
- e) Documented active participation in a scientific student association and, where applicable, publication activities (in particular DETEP, TDK, or departmental coordinator activities), as well as public, cultural, science-outreach, student-recruitment, or sports activities.
- f) Documented in-depth interest in at least one course within the student's field of study associated with one of the Faculty's departments, as well as good presentation skills.
- g) For students enrolled in parallel programmes, only credits earned and academic averages achieved at the University of Debrecen Faculty of Science and Technology, as well as community, cultural, sports, and scientific activities carried out at the Faculty, may be taken into consideration when evaluating the application. DETEP credits may not be included in the minimum 55 credits required.
- h) **a) A Distinguished Professional Scholarship awarded solely on the basis of academic performance cannot be disbursed.**

Pursuant to Section 19(3) of the Student Fees and Benefits Regulations of the University of Debrecen (DE), the **Distinguished Professional Scholarship** is awarded for one semester; accordingly, the present application pertains to the **first semester of the 2026/2027 academic year.**

At most 10% of the Faculty's students may receive the Distinguished Professional Scholarship, subject to the funds available to the Faculty. The amount of the Distinguished Professional Scholarship is HUF 50,000 per person per semester, paid as a scholarship supplement of HUF 10,000 per person per month for five months.

The application may be uploaded by **11:59 p.m. on Friday, 18 September 2026.**

The application must be completed electronically via the Neptun system.
(Administration/Requests – Distinguished Scholarship-p-2026/27/1)

IMPORTANT: For the Distinguished Professional Scholarship application, all attachments/documents must be uploaded in PDF format to the electronic application in the Neptun system.

A student who has not submitted an application electronically or attached the documents in PDF format by the specified deadline acknowledges that, after the deadline, they may not subsequently apply in any other form and will not be eligible to receive the scholarship.

The application must include documentation demonstrating compliance with the eligibility requirements, in accordance with the application guidelines.

Mandatory documents; failure to upload them will render the application invalid:

- **The student's professional CV.**
- **A recommendation and assessment from the professional supervisor and the head of the department,** submitted in **signed** form.

Documents to be uploaded for scoring/evaluation:

- Language examination certificate, if the applicant holds one, even if the certificate has already been recorded in the Neptun system.
- In the case of applicants enrolled in a foreign-language degree programme, points for language proficiency may only be awarded for a language that differs from the language of instruction (i.e. a language other than English) and from the applicant's native language. Language proficiency must be supported by appropriate documentation.
- Credible documentation of all activities listed by the student in their application. Activities for which no supporting documentation is provided will not be taken into consideration during the evaluation process.

Students who are awarded the Distinguished Professional Scholarship for the **1st semester of the 2026/2027 academic year are required to report on their completed activities.** The report certified by the supervisor must be submitted to the Education Officer of the competent Institute by **18 January 2027.** In the event of a positive assessment by the supervisor, the scholarship recipient **will continue to receive the Distinguished Professional Scholarship in the 2nd semester of the 2026/2027 academic year without submitting a new application, provided that they continue their studies in their current programme.** If the student fails to submit the certified report, they must repay the amount of the scholarship paid for the semester.

The detailed call for applications and the scoring guidelines are available on the Faculty of Science and Technology website of the University of Debrecen – ttk.unideb.hu – Education – General Information – Scholarships – Application Information.

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TTK APPLICATION GUIDELINES, EVALUATION 2026.

I. ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE (max.: 50 points) (Verified and scored by the Academic Affairs Office)

The average of the weighted academic averages for the two semesters, multiplied by ten, i.e. a maximum of 50 points in total. (Example: 1st semester average 4.88, 2nd semester average 4.34 > overall average 4.61 = 46 points.)

II. LANGUAGE EXAMINATIONS (max.: 10 points) (Verified and scored by the institute corresponding to the applicant's degree programme)

Only language examinations in languages other than the applicant's native language may be awarded points if professional literature relevant to the applicant's field is available in that language. Please indicate only state-recognized or equivalent language examinations. Of the intermediate-level language examinations, only the **B2 complex** type is accepted; all three types of advanced-level examinations are accepted. Evaluation is carried out separately for each language:

- **Intermediate-level B2 complex** language examination: **5 points**
- **Advanced-level C1 oral** language examination: **5 points**
- **Advanced-level C1 written** language examination: **5 points**
- **Advanced-level C1 complex** language examination: **10 points**

III. PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (Verified and scored by the institute corresponding to the applicant's degree programme)

1. Research activities (max.: 5 points)

- Participation in university, regional or national research projects (only with certification by the project leader): **5 points**
- Presentation of the applicant's scientific research (attached in a maximum of one page; the supervisor's recommendation must be attached!): **3 points**

2. OTDK Results

If the student participates in more than one OTDK, or applies with several different papers, the points may be doubled.

- **1st place, with Pro Scientia Award: 20 points**
- **1st place: 10 points**
- **2nd place: 7 points**
- **3rd place: 5 points**
- **Special Award: 5 points**
- **Participation: 3 points**
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3. Professional publications and conference presentations (max.: 24 points):

- Each professional publication: **5 points** (*max. 15 points*)
- Conference presentation or poster presented by the applicant (*max. 9 points*).
- Presentation delivered in a foreign language: **5 points**; presentation delivered in Hungarian: **3 points**.

Note: OTDK papers are not included in this category; theses, term papers, etc. are not included.

4. Other professional and academic competitions (max.: 5 points):

- international competition: **5 points**
- national competition: **4 points**
- local competition: **2 points**

Note: Competitions held at secondary school level are not included. DETEP, ROP, etc. do not belong to this category.

5. Other outstanding professional activities (max.: 5 points):

Points for participation in **DETEP** and for membership in a College for Advanced Studies may be awarded only if the student has completed a minimum of **2 credits** in the DETEP programme during the two semesters under consideration.

6. Membership in a professional organization (max.: 4 points):

- Depending on the organization and the nature of the membership: **1–3 points**.

7. Teaching activities (max.: 5 points):

- Teaching assistant / lecturer: **5 points**

8. National and local applications (max.: 10 points):

Awards won by the applicant:

- Participation in a national-level application/competition: **5 points** (only with certification by the project/application leader!)

A **National Higher Education Scholarship (Republic Scholarship)** previously awarded does not qualify for additional points.

- Participation in a local application/competition: **3 points** (only with certification by the project/application leader!)

A summer professional scholarship previously awarded does not qualify for additional points.

9. International scholarships (max.: 6 points):

- Please provide the following information: place, date and duration of the scholarship, and type (Erasmus, university exchange, etc.).

Evaluation: **2 points per scholarship**.

IV. PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (max. 10 points) (Verified and scored by the institute corresponding to the applicant's degree programme)

- **Student community activities:** AISEC, student union, residence hall positions, organization of events, etc. Evaluation: depending on the nature of the activity, **1–5 points**.
- **Other social and cultural activities:** Evaluation: depending on the nature of the activity, **1–3 points**.
- **Outstanding sporting activities:** Evaluation: depending on the nature of the activity, **1–3 points**. Current active sporting activities and previous Olympic achievements may be awarded points.