



UP FHS Doctoral School of Health Sciences *Basic information about our Doctoral School*

Name of the Doctoral School: Doctoral School of Health Sciences (DSHS)
Name of the University: University of Pécs (UP)
Name of the Faculty: Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS)
Degree: PhD
Duration of training: 2+2 years (2 modules: *Training module* and *Dissertation module*)
Application fee: EUR 200
Fee of training in English language: EUR 3.000/semester
Fee of degree earning: EUR 1.350
Language of instruction: English

Head of the Doctoral School:
Prof. Dr. István KISS MD, DSc.
university professor
Head of the Doctoral School of Health Sciences

Basic data of the Doctoral School is available on the website of the National Doctoral Committee at: <https://doktori.hu/doktori-kepzes/doktori-iskolak/124-doctoral-school-of-health-sciences>, more information to be found at <http://doktoriiskola.etk.pte.hu/> or at: <https://international.pte.hu/study-programs/phd-health-sciences>

Requirements for admission:

- Master's degree (MSc) in a relevant field
- Agreement for co-operation between the doctoral candidate and the supervisor(s) (*Preliminary Support Letter*)
- Level B1 knowledge in English

Submission of application:

Via: <https://apply.pte.hu/courses/course/246-health-sciences-phd?search=841>

Application start: February 1, 2026

Application deadline: June 30, 2026, 23:59:59 CET

Proposed date of entrance exam: mid June 2026

Available Programs at our Doctoral School:

- Frontiers of Health Sciences
- Cardiovascular Health Sciences
- Treatment of Locomotive Disorders
- Perinatal Health Sciences
- Human Reproduction, Oncology - Health Sciences
- Sports and Health Sciences
- Food Sciences, Nutrition, Dietetics & Hydration



Our currently available research topics:

https://doktoriiskola.etk.pte.hu/public/upload/files/PTE%20ETK%20doktori%20program%202025_ENG_20250527.pdf

Graduation requirements:

Students must collect 240 credits during the two different modules to obtain their final certificate (absolutor) at the end of their 8th active semester. During the first module (Training Module) they need to collect 16 credits via visiting regular Ph.D. courses. **Our courses primarily require personal attendance.**

The remaining 224 credits are so-called *technical credits* and should be collected during the 8 semesters. Technical credits are to be earned for research activity, scientific activity and for preparing the thesis / dissertation. Collecting the technical credits does require the regular exchange with the supervisor(s).

At the end of the 2nd year / 4th semester Ph.D. students must pass the Complex Examination to enter the Dissertation Module.

Ph.D. students receive their final certification at the end of the 4th year / 8th semester. Within one year after receiving the final certification, the Ph.D. degree acquisition process must start. For that the candidates need to fulfill the publication requirements covering the area of dissertation and submit their PhD thesis. After a successful thesis defense the Ph.D. degree will be awarded.

For information and other issues, please contact:

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