

# GET TO KNOW TOKAJ

7 - 21 JULY 2024

## SUMMER UNIVERSITY



### **Distinguished Colleagues and Dear Friends,**

On behalf of the University of Tokaj, we are pleased to invite you to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer University, which will be hosted in Sárospatak (Hungary, Tokaj Wine Region) from 8<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> of July 2024.

The summer university programme planned by the University of Tokaj aims to present and promote the vine- and viticulture of the World Heritage Site.

In addition to the history of viticulture and winemaking, the two-week programme offers workshops about general gastronomy and wine knowledge, including wine marketing and wine market knowledge.

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Then, the summer school explores the specific Tokaj region aspects of these topics in detail for the students of the summer university. Winemaking methods and tasting techniques will be taught not only at the Tokaj Wine Region Research Institute of Viticulture and Enology, which is part of the University of Tokaj, but also at the wineries and vineyards with their own unique characteristics that will be featured in the afternoon programme.

The summer university participants will be introduced to the architectural heritage, cultural history and tourist attractions of the municipalities, as well as will enjoy the outstanding wine festival of Sárospatak.

The lecturers are eminent professionals and lecturers at the University of Tokaj, and the wineries to be visited are also renowned wineries, both nationally and internationally.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get to know more about viticulture and winemaking of the Tokaj Wine Region recognised by UNESCO.

Our course offers 6 ECTS workload, which may be accepted for credit transfer by the participants' home universities

Tuition fee: EUR 1000 including the following expenses: course materials, accommodation, meals and trips, entrance fees to museums, wineries and exhibitions - the applicants need to cover only their travel costs and insurance.

Application deadline 8th June 2024

**Scholarships available by the Tempus Public Foundation, application deadline: 28th March 2024**

<https://tka.hu/international-programmes/4133/information-for-applicants>

We are looking forward to meeting you in Sárospatak!

Kind, regards,

Prof. Dr. Szabolcs Kéri  
Rector



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## Summer University Programme

14 days in the Tokaj Wine Region from 7 to 21 July 2024

During the two-week event starting on 7 July 2024, participants will learn all about **Tokaj wine**, the legends associated with it and the myth of **Tokaj aszú**, sung about in the Hungarian national anthem. The course will take students to the most important villages of the World Heritage area, its most beautiful cellars and historical sites. A wide range of gastronomic and cultural experiences await you, as described below:

### Sunday, 7 July Arrival



### Monday, 8 July

Opening ceremony in Sárospatak, the seat of the University of Tokaj. The school town, known as the Athens of the Bodrog, welcomes visitors with open arms in its cosy buildings and squares. After an overview of the history of viticulture and winemaking, a visit to the Sárospatak Reformed College. The nearly 500-year-old Reformed school and its history are an important part of Europe's cultural history. The material evidence of this and the Reformed Great Library promise a real cultural journey through time.

### Tuesday, 9 July



In the Kazinczy Ferenc Museum in Sátoraljaújhely, students will learn about heritage tourism and culture. The programme includes a walk to the castle ruin under excavation.

### Wednesday, 10 July

Today, the focus is on gastronomy and wine. After the theoretical lessons, the participants can taste the excellent flavours of the Harsányi Bistro and Winery on the outskirts of Sárospatak.



### Thursday, 11 July

The programme continues in Tarcal, one of the 27 settlements of the World Heritage Site, a significant old farming town. Participants will learn about winemaking and tasting techniques, and then visit the statue of Christ the Blessed, Oremus and Patricius winery.



## Friday, 12 July

The programme of the day is based around the architectural heritage of the World Heritage landscape. The Rákóczi Castle in Sárospatak is one of the most beautiful castles in Upper Hungary.

## Saturday, 13 July



Boat trip on the Bodrog river. The students will arrive in the eponymous town of the wine region. They will discover the most beautiful squares of the small town and visit the World Heritage Wine Museum. Lunch and wine tasting at the Kakas Winery.

## Sunday, 14 July Free programme

## Monday, 15 July

Wine marketing, wine market knowledge, wine consumption habits - after a theoretical overview of the topics, a visit to the Grand Tokaj Zrt. winery in Tolcsva. The students will taste the best wines of the group in the tasting room in Szegi. An unrivalled view above ground and a fantastic cellar system below will make the afternoon a memorable experience.



## Tuesday, 16 July

History of Viticulture and Oenology, terroir studies and Tokaj wines and gastronomy basic skills are on the agenda for the day.

## Wednesday, 17 July

The venue for the workshops is the Degenfeld Castle Hotel and Winery. A visit to the important cooerage of the Tokaj wine region in Erdőbénye. The special location of this small village and its historical monuments make it a real recreation gem.



## Thursday, 18 July

The day will start with a gastronomic introduction, followed by a visit to Hercegkút, a small village with two World Heritage cellars, where the hospitality is famous far and wide. We will end the day by cooking together.



## Friday-Saturday 19-20 July

The participants will be guests of the traditional 2-day wine festival of Sárospatak. They can enjoy the wine competition in the morning and choose between open-air programmes and concerts in the afternoon and evening.

At the closing ceremony, we bid farewell in the hope that they will soon return to our city and continue their studies in Tokaj, which they started this year.



## Sunday, 21 July Departure

### HOW TO GET TO SÁROSPATAK

Trains are available every two hours from the Budapest-Keleti train station (*pályaudvar*) via Miskolc and Szerencs. The journey takes about 3 hours and costs around 4500 Ft.

#### Kosice International Airport

There are direct trains and buses from Kosice, Slovakia to Miskolc.

**Budapest International Airport (240 km)**

**Debrecen International Airport (110 Km)**

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*(Transfer can be organized from both airports)*

### Meals

Breakfast is provided in the dormitory.

Lunch and dinner are served in **The Boros Winebar** (Sárospatak, Rákóczi street 21.)



### Dormitory

The 4-storey Furmint Dormitory is part of the university's main building. Participants are offered double rooms with bathroom. The rooms are equipped with basic furniture and have access to kitchen facilities, gym and student lounge with TV. Dormitory accommodation is included in the tuition fee.

