



REPORT
ABOUT THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL OF PUBLIC
ADMINISTRATION 2021

1 Statistical data

1.1 Number of PhD students admitted in 2021, by type of training

For the year 2021, KDI has proposed 32 candidates for recruitment in the following breakdown:

Form of training		Retrieved from	Registered at
Nappali	public service scholarship holder	8	8
	Scholarship Hungaricum scholarship holder*	7	4
	Self-cost*	1	1
Correspondent self-cost	Budapest training	12	12
	training in Cluj Napoca	0	0
Individual training		2	2
Individual preparation		2	2
Total		32	29

*1 person was included due to a change in funding mode.

1.2 Number of absolutes issued

Number of doctoral students with a degree: 18

1.3 Number of workshops held

In 2021, 13 workshops were held, 2 of which were in English and 1 of which was for doctoral students in Cluj. There were no unsuccessful workshops.

1.4 Number of diplomas issued

In 2021, 9 public examinations were held and 8 degrees were awarded to KDI doctoral students (1 degree was postponed to 2022). The qualifications of the degrees are as follows:

Qualification of the diploma	Main
summa cum laude	4
cum laude	4
Rite	-
Total	8

1.5 Number of excluded doctoral students, doctoral candidates

In 2021, 5 doctoral students were terminated for not meeting the training requirements. In addition, 1 doctoral candidate was terminated.

1.6 Number of doctoral students leaving

In 2021, 4 students interrupted their studies by self-report. 1 student applied to transfer to another doctoral school.

1.7 In 2021, the number of doctoral students by year and by type of training

Spring semester 2020/2021 academic year:

	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Year 4	Total
Full-time scholarship holder	6	6	4	7	23
Scholarship	5	3	7	3	18
Daytime at cost	1	1	0	0	2
Correspondent	15	6	5	8	34
Individual training	2	0	0	0	2
Individual preparation	0	0	1	3	4
All in all	29	16	17	21	83
Passive	6	13	4	12	35

Autumn semester 2021/2022 academic year:

	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Year 4	Total
Full-time scholarship holder	8	7	6	6	27
Scholarship	4	6	3	5	18
Daytime at cost	0	0	1	0	1
Correspondent	12	16	6	3	37
Individual training	2	2	0	0	4
Individual preparation	0	0	2	0	2
All in all	26	31	18	14	89
Passive	2	12	3	15	32

1.8 The situation of the core membership

The number of regular members decreased from 13 to 12, after Dr. Péter Smuk's regular membership was terminated with effect from 1 September 2021 due to the transfer of the so-called "A" statement to another university. In addition to the 12 regular members, the TDT also includes 4 emeritus regular members.

Breakdown of core members by teaching posts:

Position	Main
University teacher	12
Associate Professor	-
Professor emeritus	4
Other	-
Total	16

Age distribution of ordinary members on 31 December 2021:

Age	-40	40-45	46-50	51-55	56-60	61-65	66-70	71-75	76-
Main	-	1	3	3	1	-	4	1	3

1.9 Human Resources

The KDI employs 28 lecturers and 105 subject writers and supervisors; about 90% of them work in the is part of the University staff.

2 The Doctoral School of Public Administration

2.1 Key changes in 2021

Organisational change:

- Dr György Kiss was appointed to lead KDI for another 5 years;
- Zsófia Káldor contributes to the administrative tasks of the KDI on an ad hoc basis under an additional task agreement.

Regarding the **composition of doctoral students**, it should be noted that

- In 2021, there were no applicants from Sapientia Hungarian University of Transylvania, so no new class was started in the framework of the Cluj University's training;
- the number of doctoral students admitted under the Stipendium Hungaricum fell again this year (largely due to the high number of applications rejected for formal reasons).

In 2021, 48 **new research topics** have been added to **the** KDI's list of research topics, making a total of 204 research topics (including 24 in English) available for applicants to choose from.

For the second time in 2021, the KDI has launched a **scholarship competition** for doctoral students with the explicit aim of providing financial support for quality publications and conference participation. Although the available funding was not exhausted by doctoral students, interest has increased compared to 2020. Thanks to this call, we were able to provide financial support for the publications and conference participation of five doctoral students.

2.2 KDI events, events

Due to the epidemic 2021 planned events 2021 2021 have been cancelled.
events to highlight:

- complex exams (January and June 2021), during which a total of 17 second-year doctoral student gave an account of his or her knowledge;
- the online research forum in January and June 2021 (by research area);
- the November 2021 online complex exam preparatory;
- preparation of the *Academic Writing Seminar* to be launched in the 2nd semester of the 2021/2022 academic year
Fulbright programme (Cleopatra Charles, Rutgers University);
- a From Romania from delegation (university lecturers, high-level ministry officials).

2.3 Terms of operation of the KDI

From an operational point of view, it should be highlighted that the MAB accredited the KDI until 31 October 2023 by Decision 2018/9/VII/8/2/1226.

The KDI is technically operational. The KDI is integrated into the infrastructure system of the NUAS.

The **two-year delay in the English translation of the current version of the EDPS** is a major disruption to day-to-day operations. On several occasions, foreign doctoral students have complained that they do not have the current version of the regulations in English. The problem has been reported to the university administration and the Academic Affairs Office on several occasions.

The KDI website is constantly updated, the information provides sufficient information for doctoral students; at the same time, Neptun is the primary form of contact with doctoral students. We consider it an important step forward that the information published on the website now also takes into account the requirements of the GDPR.

The epidemic situation has forced KDI to continue to offer online meetings, training and exams, as well as online voting, especially in the first half of 2021. The former were conducted via MS Teams , the latter and the Decision Support System was used .

Overall, the online platforms have worked smoothly and the administrative burden has been significantly reduced.

3 Future tasks of the Doctoral School of Public Administration

- a)* encouraging high-quality publications and conference participation by doctoral students (the continuation of the publication grant launched in 2020)
- b)* more intensive promotion of the training at Sapientia Hungarian University of Transylvania in order to have Transylvanian doctoral students again in 2022 (we will hold an online open day for this purpose)
- c)* expanding KDI's national and international contacts
- d)* strengthening the international character of English language training, promoting it in a domestic context
- e)* continued promotion of the current English translation of the EDPS

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