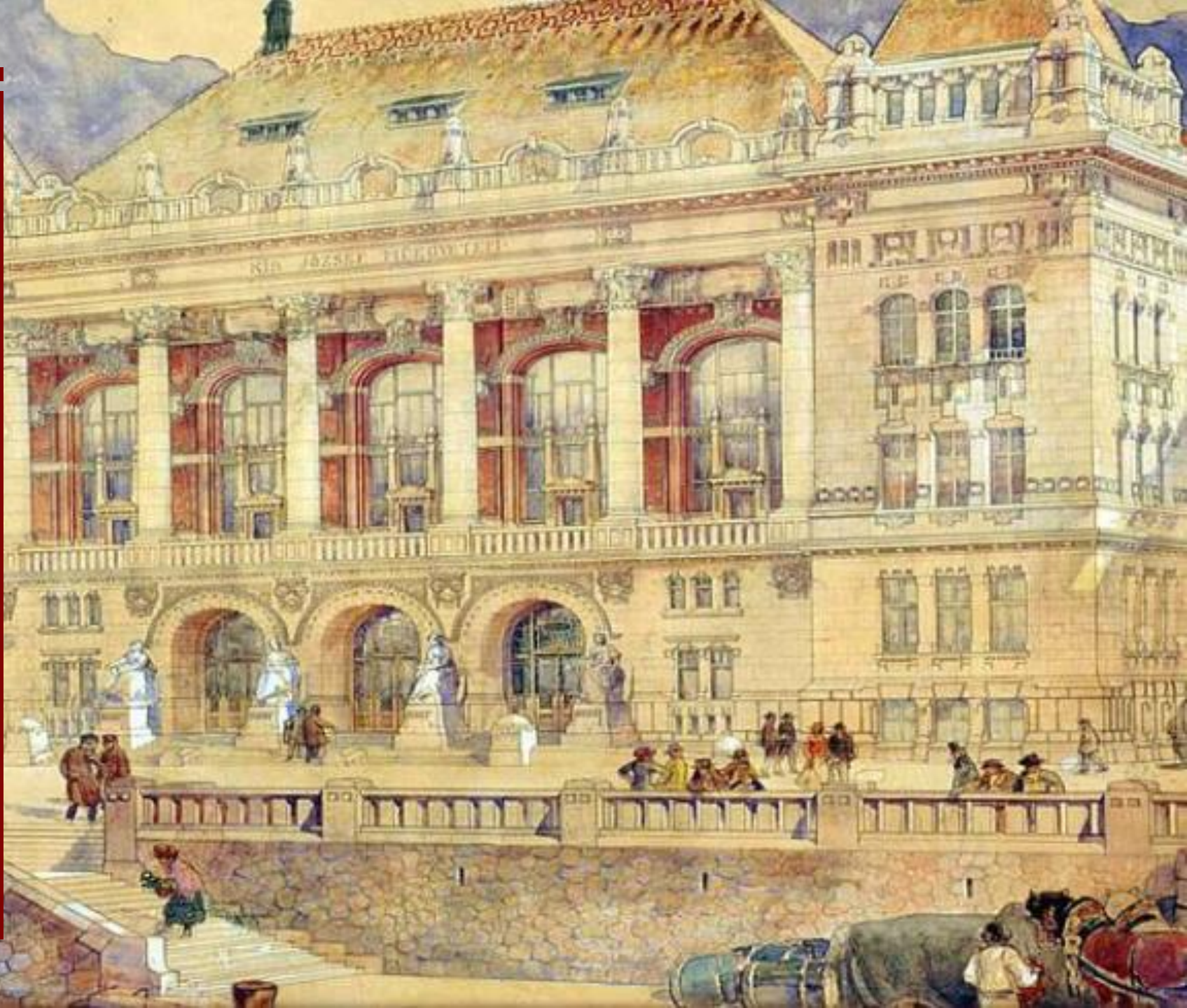


# BUDAPEST WITH ERASMUS+





# MY ERASMUS JOURNEY IN BUDAPEST



Friedrich-Alexander-Universität  
Erlangen-Nürnberg



- I study CEP at FAU at the Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Went to BME in the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester of my Bachelor in the Winter Semester 2024
- Studied at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering





# WHY ERASMUS+?



- Chance to see what live abroad looks like in Europe
- Experience a new city while being more than just a tourist
- Learn a new language
- Amazing Erasmus community and organizations
- Experience a new Uni system and make use of the offered courses





# WHY BUDAPEST?



- I mainly chose Budapest because of the courses the Uni offered
- Many lab courses, which made many courses more interesting
- Really good network for Erasmus students in Hungary/ Budapest and at BME
- Not that far away from Erlangen, the trips back and forth could be easily done by train
- Many options for travelling to neighboring countries
- Beautiful city full of history, nice people and cozy cafés



# BUDAPEST KEY FACTS



- Capital of Hungary
- Historically Budapest was two cities separated by the Danube: Buda and Pest
- The city was formed in **1873** by merging **Buda** (the hilly, historic side) and **Pest** (the flat, urban side) across the **Danube River**.
- You can still feel the difference — Buda is quieter and scenic, while Pest is lively and full of cafés and nightlife
- 9 Universities
- The Hungarian Parliament Building is the third largest in Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage Site





# ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY



- 1782-1949 Institutum Geometricum – Hydrotechnicum,...
- 1949-2000 Technical University of Budapest
- 2000-now Budapest University of Technology and Economics
- 8 Faculties, 77 Departments, 22 000 Students, 2500 foreign students

## Faculties:

- Civil Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Architecture
- Chemical and Bioengineering
- Electrical Engineering and Informatics
- Transportation Engineering
- Natural Sciences
- Economic and Social Sciences





# THE ACADEMIC SIDE OF ERASMUS



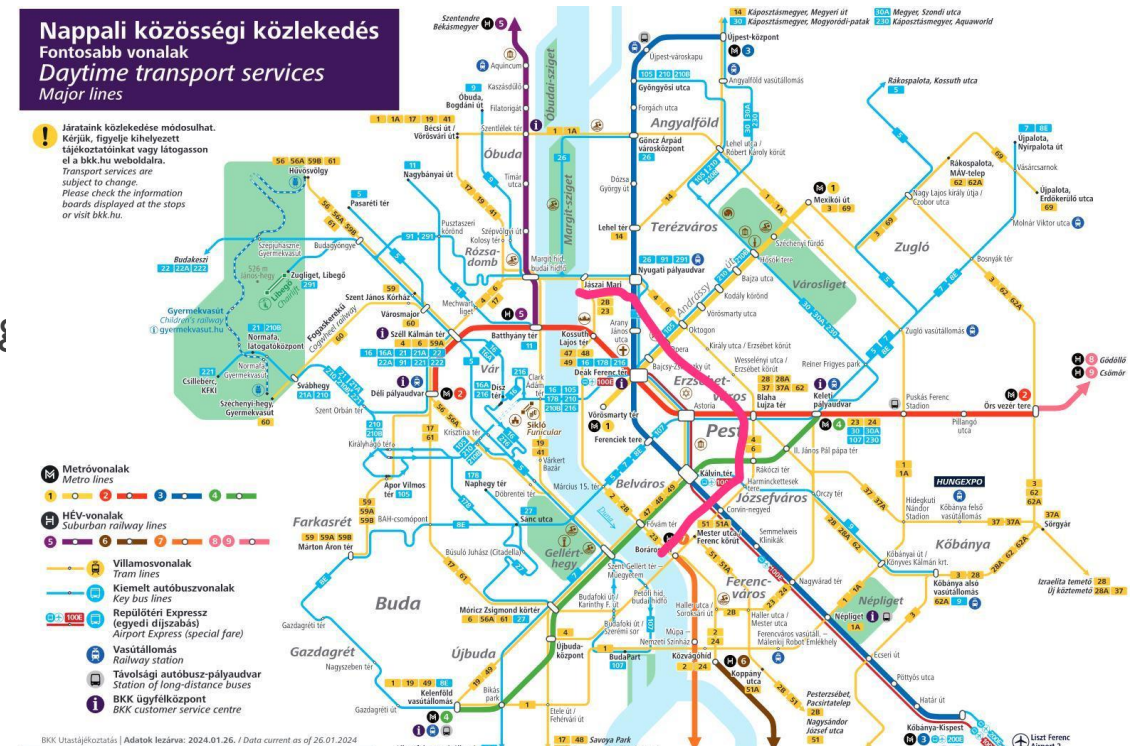
- Check the schedules and deadlines for course registration and semester dates early, some universities may apply fines for later registration
- Be careful: semesters might start at different times in your host country -> can overlap with the exam period at FAU!
- Check the courses that the faculties offer and possible limitations for courses from other faculties, e.g. the faculty of mechanical engineering only allows 10% of your ECTS achieved to be from other faculties
- You can usually find a catalogue of the courses offered in English on the University website and speak to the coordinator from your department at FAU about which courses can be transferred
- Take a look at the requirements for the course: do you have the required knowledge from previous courses, midterm or final exams, ECTS, available for Erasmus students...
- Credit transfer was really easy





# HOUSING

- Rented room via housing anywhere
- BME offered help if needed but there is no specific housing for Erasmus students
- Rent usually between 300-550€





# STUDENT LIFE



- Welcome Week to get to know the city and the campus and a lot of info about the paperwork required, course and exam registration
- Erasmus Student Network offered many activities like Pub Crawls, a trip to Margaret Island, trips to neighboring cities and Croatia...
- Provided information about public transport, bike rentals etc.
- Erasmus Life Budapest offers discounts if you're a member for bars, restaurants, flights etc.
- Sometimes a little hard to get out of the Erasmus Bubble





# FINANCES

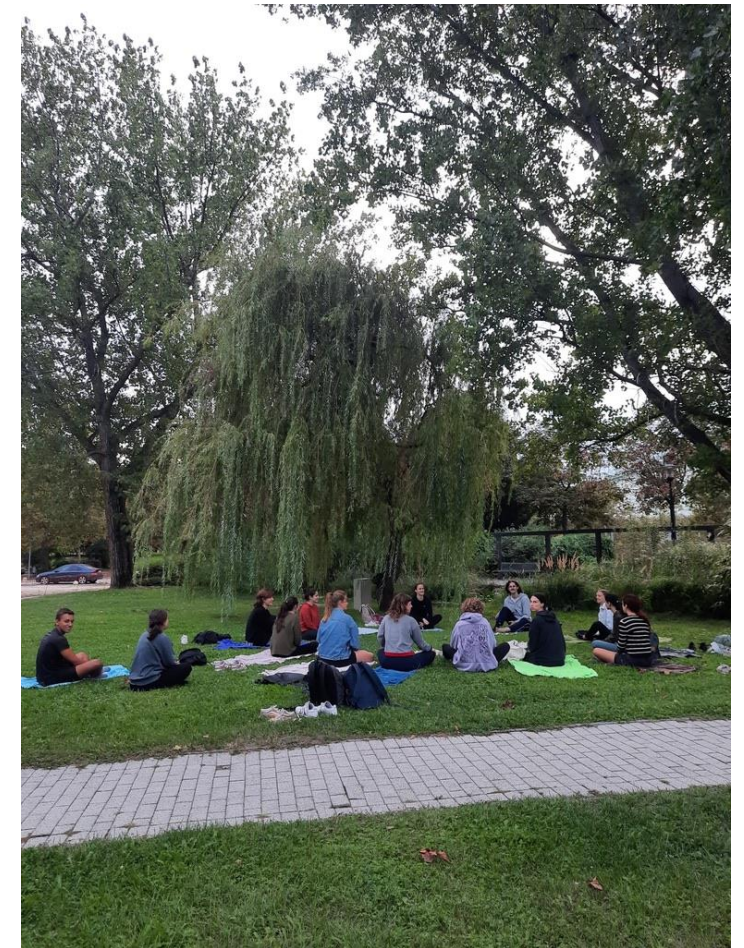


- Money provided was sufficient, also due to many discounts as Hungarian student
- You can get the Hungary Pass (like Deutschland Ticket) for approximately 5€/ month if you have a Hungarian Student ID
- Bike rental for 4€ a month



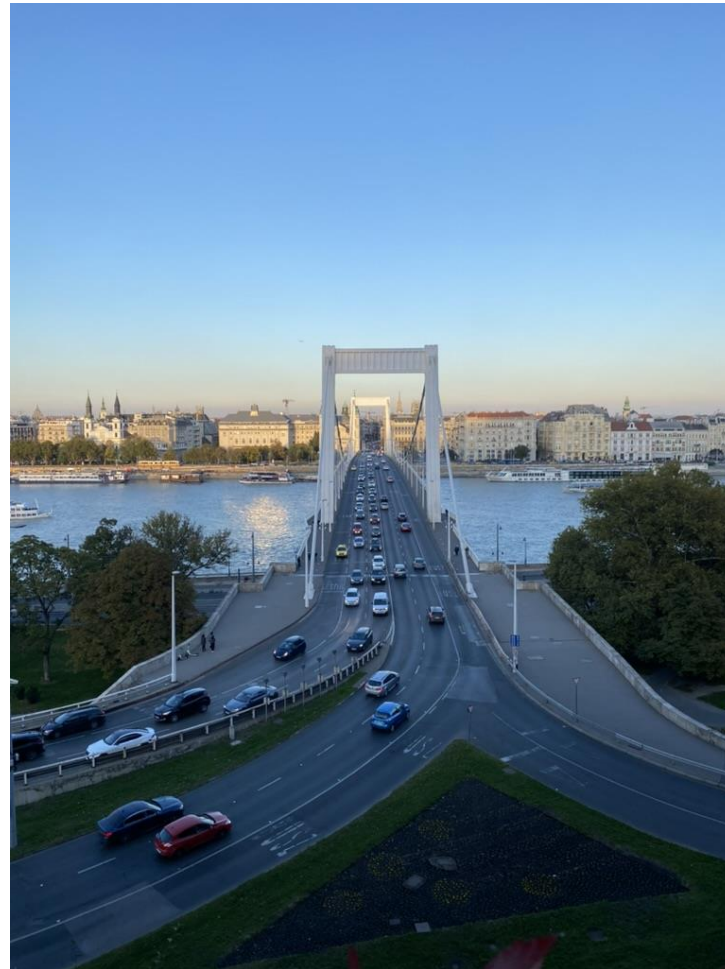


# LIFE IN BUDAPEST





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# FINAL TIPS



- Go to the events, especially in the Welcome Week to meet the other Erasmus Students and the mentors
- Take care of housing, insurance (if required) and finding your courses early to not miss any deadlines
- If you're struggling with paperwork (registration, Learning Agreement, certificate of enrollment etc.) talk to the mentors and the CAO, they are really helpful!

**ENJOY!**

