

Terms and Conditions

for entering the Ambassador for a Day competition organized by the British Embassy in Budapest

Competition overview

- Ambassador for a Day is a full day experience, including a series of workshops and mentoring opportunities for young Hungarian women to shadow the British Ambassador and Embassy staff in Budapest on 21 May 2025.
- 3 to 5 winners will be selected based on their submitted essays and a short online interview. Please note that the British Embassy reserves the right to amend this according to the number of applications. This decision is made at the discretion of the Embassy.
- Closing date for entry will be 11:59pm CET on 5 April 2025. After this date, no further entries to the competition will be accepted.
- There is no application or entry fee, and participation in the programme is completely free. Meals will be provided by the organizers on the day. For participants living outside of Budapest, the cost of travel will also be covered, and accommodation at a hotel will be provided by the Embassy.

Entry requirements

- The competition is open to female applicants only, who are Hungarian citizens currently residing in Hungary and who are aged between 18 to 24 years old at the time of submitting their application.
- As the language of the programme is English, applicants must possess and demonstrate a confident level of spoken and written English. This is to ensure they will be able to participate fully and enjoy the workshops.
- Applicants must be available to spend a full day of activities with us at the British Embassy and the Ambassador's Residence in Budapest on 21 May 2025.

Diversity and inclusion

- Diversity and inclusion are very important values to us; therefore, we also welcome and actively encourage applications from ethnic or religious minorities and young women living with disabilities. If you have any questions related to this, please contact us at competition.be.budapest@fcdo.gov.uk.

How to enter

- All applicants must fill out the application form entirely, answering all questions marked mandatory and submitting their essay. The contact information provided will be used to inform candidates about the results of the competition.
- For the essay, all applicants must answer the following question: **Who is your greatest female role model from modern history and why?**

- Detailed instructions: Tell us about your greatest female role model from modern history – the one you feel personally connected to. Why do you find her inspiring? Why is her message or work (still) relevant today?
- Entries must be in English.
- Essays should be within the limit of maximum 4000 characters and formatted accordingly (title, paragraphs).
- Definition of modern history (for this competition): from the Late Modern Period (1800 to 1945), or Contemporary History (from 1945) to the present day.
- Candidates must enter the competition with entries that have not been published in print or online prior to the announcement of the Ambassador for a Day competition and have not been used for applying to similar initiatives.
- The content of the essays must be original and in line with the theme of the Ambassador for a Day campaign.
- The use of AI writing tools is strictly forbidden and will result in disqualification.
- Only one entry will be accepted per person. Multiple entries from the same person will be disqualified. Incomplete entries will be disqualified.
- You may re-submit your application until the closing date – in that case, we will consider your last submission the final application and disregard the previous one(s).
- Shortlisted candidates will be contacted via email/phone to arrange a short online interview with the organizers. Multiple dates and time slots will be offered.
- Winners selected for the programme will be notified after all interviews have been conducted.

Selection process

- The submitted essays will be anonymised, and a gender-balanced jury of British Embassy staff will review each one and agree on a shortlist via voting.
- Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for a short online interview discussion with the purpose of getting to know them, and to assess their English skills and workshop preferences. No preparation is required for the discussion, and shortlisted candidates will also have the opportunity to ask any questions during the interview.
- The final decision will be made based on the interviews, and the winners will be contacted by 9 May 2025.

Further information

- The winners must be available to be in Budapest on Wednesday 21 May 2025 for a full day of activities with the British Ambassador to Hungary and British Embassy Budapest team.
- If the winners need to travel for an event or an activity, the Embassy will cover reasonable travel expenses for the winner(s). Details of this arrangement to be agreed individually.

GDPR and applicable consent guidelines

In respect of the winners of the competition the Embassy will be seeking consent in respect of the following:

- The winner(s) agree to be photographed and/or filmed during public and online engagements within the Ambassador for a Day campaign in order to promote the initiative on the Embassy's social media platforms.
- The winner(s) must be available to speak about the winning essay with Embassy staff, external stakeholders and media.
- British Embassy Budapest may publish essays submitted to the competition at its discretion.
- The Embassy cannot guarantee to provide individual feedback to each applicant.
- The Embassy's decision in respect of all matters to do with the competition, including but not limited to the appraisal of the participants, the organisation of carrying out the competition and the awarding of the winners' prizes will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- We take personal data seriously – if you wish to withdraw your application at any time, please contact us at competition.be.budapest@fcdo.gov.uk.

By entering this competition, the entrant is indicating full agreement to be bound by these Terms and Conditions.