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Greetings from Budapest!

We send you warm greetings from Budapest where fall is still with us and we are enjoying relatively balmy weather. It is hard to believe that the semester is approaching its end. All students are doing well and enjoying the last month of their semester.

Latest events

Though Thanksgiving is not a holiday in Hungary, we celebrated it with a wonderful group dinner in the dormitory. Food was plentiful as students also contributed some of their special favorites such as green bean casserole and cranberry sauce. Thanks to Anita and Stuart, our Chinese students, we could enjoy Chinese style pumpkins and spicy broccoli chicken. But the real stuffed turkey with all the trimmings was the highlight of the evening.



Ivy and Liz were successful in carving the turkey

Campus News – Academic life

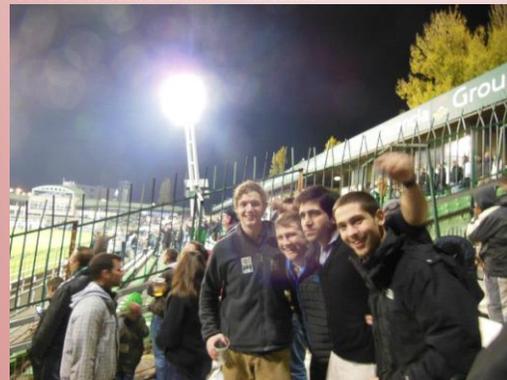
Learning here is not limited to classrooms only, and there are various opportunities for experiences *in situ*. Our history course with prof. Lengyel held one of its classes in a museum that served as a hospital during WWII and the 1956 Revolution and War of Independence. This former hospital was established inside naturally occurring caves under the Buda Hills in the Castle District and treated civilians and military people. The museum gave the students an insight into the history of Budapest during turbulent times. Our art history course held one of its classes in the Hungarian Parliament building. Prof. Sisa, a leading expert on the building, was able to take the class into various parts of the building.

One of the students, Brice was responsible for a short presentation during the class. Once inside the House of Representatives, he simply seized the moment, and decided to deliver his presentation from the podium of the Speaker of the House. Great show, Brice!



Brice delivering his presentation as Prof. Sisa looks on

Prof. Boros did not hold a political science class in a stadium, but agreed to take his students to watch one of the most popular Hungarian soccer teams, Ferencváros TC play against Debrecen. Students enjoyed the game and the atmosphere, and cheered Ferencváros to a win.



Gray, Luke, Nakul and Chris supporting Ferencváros

We hope to write about volunteer work and other events in our next newsletter.

**Best regards,
CIEE Staff Budapest**