



July 9, 2019 – updated from May 7, 2019 version

Dear Mr. Geza Csoranyi,

You have been invited to Johns Hopkins University as a Visiting Graduate Student in the Department of Physics & Astronomy. It is our understanding that you are currently a graduate student at Eötvös Loránd University. Please note the following, which are part of this admissions agreement

- Your sponsoring professor will be Professor Alex Szalay, and you will be interacting with the following JHU academic faculty - Laszlo Dobos, Brice Menard and Rosemary Wyse.
- Your activities at Johns Hopkins University will be working on applying machine learning tools to the problem of photometric redshifts for distant galaxies, and using denoising autoencoders to reduce noise in the spectra of faint galaxies and stars.
- Dates of visiting student program: August 12, 2019 to September 20, 2019.
- Financial support: \$3,300 total waive paid to the student by JHU for the period of visit to cover \$2,000 funding monthly and student health insurance

Legal Eligibility to Study and/or Conduct Research in the United States

JHU sponsors admitted visiting international students for J-1 exchange visitor visa status. You will need to secure a J-1 visa from a U.S. consulate to enter the U.S. and to maintain a legal J-1 immigration status for the duration of your program. Failure to do so will jeopardize your ability to participate in your visiting student program. If you are already in the U.S. with another immigration status, please contact the Office of International Services (OIS) to determine if additional action is needed.

Once your admission is complete, OIS will provide instructions, via email, for obtaining the necessary sponsorship documentation to support your application for the J-1 exchange visitor visa. It is your responsibility to complete the J-1 request forms and obtain the DS-2019 form from OIS, and then apply for the J-1 visa.

Please note: use of a B-1/B-2 visitor visa or the visa waiver program is not appropriate for visiting student activity at JHU, regardless of the length of time you will be in the U.S. Be advised that a U.S. immigration official may deny entry to the U.S. if you attempt to do so. Direct all questions regarding visas and immigration status to OIS, ois@jhu.edu.

Language proficiency for International Visiting Graduate Students

J-1 regulations require that JHU determines your English language proficiency as a condition of issuing visa documents, using a method that meets specific regulatory requirements. The Physics

& Astronomy department administrative contact(s) will reach out to you to fulfill this requirement. For information on the methods to fulfill this requirement, please visit the OIS website using the following link: http://ois.jhu.edu/For_Administrators/J1_Scholar/English_Proficiency/index.html

Pre-Enrollment Health Requirements

Visiting graduate students are required to meet the university's pre-entrance health requirements detailed on the Student Health and Wellness Center website, and follow the link to pre-entrance health requirements:

http://studenthealth.johnshopkins.edu/loader.php?page=info_for_new_students.html

Click on the tab marked "Incoming Students" and follow the instructions on that page. Specifically, be sure to **complete the Pre Entrance Health Form** which includes mandatory vaccinations.

We strongly encourage you to take care of all pre-entrance health needs before you come to the U.S. If you do not complete this form and/or need missing vaccinations or screening tests, they can be administered for a fee at the Student Health & Wellness Center, but you will not be able to enroll or begin your program activities until this step is completed.

Required University Student Health Insurance

International visiting graduate students who are here on J-1 visas must enroll in the JHU student health insurance plan (CHP) on a monthly basis. The CHP premium is approximately \$184 per month, with coverage calculated from the 15th of every month. You will sign up for health insurance coverage through the Registrar's Office. Waivers of this requirement are not granted. The cost of your health insurance will need to be covered by you for the duration of your stay.

Mandatory Registration Requirement

You are required to register as a student each semester during which you are participating as a visiting graduate student.

- Visiting graduate students (conducting research only) must register for AS 990.890 (Graduate Research Practicum). While you are not charged tuition for this course, the tuition value of \$5,535 per semester is included as a University subsidy on your DS-2019 form.

Registration is required for each semester or part of semester for which you have visiting student standing. Newly arrived visiting students must complete their registration immediately upon arrival and **no later than five days** after the "program start date" on their DS-2019. Students whose visit continues into another semester must complete registration **no later than five days** from the start of the new term.

To complete the admission process, you must sign this letter where indicated below and return a scan of the letter to Jessica Dawson, HR Generalist at jgordo39@jhu.edu.

Please visit our University policy website at www.jhu.edu/university-policies for policies

regarding safety, research and professional misconduct, responsible conduct of research, and conflict of interest. We look forward to your arrival.

Sincerely,



Professor Alex Szalay



Timothy Heckman
Dr. A Hermann Pfund Professor and Department Chair

Student Agreement: I have read and will abide by all policies and procedures required of a visiting international student.

Student's Signature  Date 08/09/2013
Geza Csoranyi