

CALL

of the 37th National Student Research Conference Social Sciences Section

1. General Information, Organizers

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The National Association for Student Research (OTDT), the Social Sciences Section Committee of the OTDT and the organizing University of Miskolc, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences hereby announce the Social Sciences Section of the 37th National Student Research Conference under the conditions of the following call.

The conditions for participation and registration in the Social Sciences Section of the 37th OTDK are set out in the General Call of the 37th OTDK and in this Call of the OTDT Social Sciences Section Committee.

2. Eligibility Criteria

2.1. Who is eligible to participate

In the 37th National Student Research Conference (OTDK), **TDK papers and authors** (in the case of multi-author TDK papers, all authors) **may participate that meet the conditions specified in the General Call for the 37th National Student Research Conference.** Details are provided in Supplement 2 of the General Call for the 37th OTDK.

Study circles from cross-border universities and colleges can participate in the 37th OTDK under the same professional conditions as those in Hungary. Details are available in the General Call of the 37th OTDK.

The conference is also open to **secondary school students** in Hungary and across borders who present their research results at conferences of higher education institutions or national high school science student conferences (for details see Supplement 4 of the General Call for the 37th OTDK) and are nominated for the 37th OTDK. A detailed description of the participation of secondary school students is available in the General Call of the 37th OTDK.

A thesis produced in the course of continuous TDK activity during BA and BSc education, can be entered to the 37th OTDK, if it meets the requirements of the Call and its Supplements and has been presented at a student research conference either during the BA/BSc or the subsequent MA/MSc training and where it was delegated to the OTDK.

2.2. Requirements for TDK papers and evaluation

Supplement 1 to the Section Call includes:

- The content and format requirements for TDK papers and abstracts.
- Rules for the presentation of TDK papers in foreign languages.
- Evaluation criteria of the TDK paper and the presentation.

3. Sessions/topics

3.1. Planned sessions/topics

- Aesthetics
- Philosophy
- Cultural and social anthropology
- Media and communication studies
- Culture and cultural theory

- International studies
- Political Science
- Social work,
- Social pedagogy
- Social policy, public policy
- Sociology
- Religious and theological studies

During the application process, students must indicate which session would be the most suitable for presenting their TDK paper, as well as another session that could also be appropriate.

3.2. Rules for the establishment of the final session assignment

The fundamental rules for the establishment of the final session assignment are included in the General Call of the 37th OTDK. The Social Sciences Section Committee may, based on the number of TDK papers received and their topic, merge some of the planned sessions/topics or create additional ones. Therefore, a TDK paper may be assigned to a different session than the one indicated by the author(s) during registration. The condition for starting an independent session is the receipt of at least 6 TDK papers from at least 2 institutions in the given topic, on the condition that at least 5 of the 6 to 15 papers will be presented at the 37th OTDK. If the number of TDK papers to be presented in a given session is fewer than 5, that session may be merged with another session at the discretion of the Chair of the Social Sciences Section Committee.

The Social Sciences Section Committee reserves the right to reject TDK papers that do not fall within the field of the Social Sciences Section and, with appreciation for the application, to redirect them to a different section of the 37th National Student Research Conference that is more appropriate for the TDK paper's field. The acceptance of TDK papers recommended for another section based on differing academic fields will be decided by the relevant section committee, and acceptance is not automatic.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure the correct academic classification of their TDK paper. We advise students to make their decision regarding the selection of the scientific field with care and, if possible, to seek the opinion of their advisor as well as institutional student research leaders. For multi- and interdisciplinary papers, the academic field selected should be the one that represents the largest percentage of the topic, theoretical-literature background, and methodology in the TDK paper.

The Social Sciences Section Committee also reserves the right to reject a TDK paper without written review. Rejection without review is only possible if the TDK paper

- a) does not specify or delineate the topic under investigation, or does not clearly state the research question; or
- b) has an incoherent line of reasoning (e.g., the TDK paper analyses unrelated topics, or the structure does not meet general and professional communication standards); or
- c) lacks coherence in its main parts (e.g., the literature review is unrelated to the specified topic or research questions; the research methodology is evidently unsuitable for answering the research questions); or
- d) does not go beyond a simple summary of easily accessible literature and does not present results of an independent research.

No appeal may be made against the Section Committee's decision to reject a TDK paper.

The Social Sciences Section Committee will make the final decision regarding sessions and the classification of TDK papers, and students will be notified of this decision through the OTDT online system by **March 15, 2025**, at the latest.

4. APPLICATION procedure

4.1. Steps of registration for applicants

4.1.1. Pre-registration of TDK papers

Following the institutional student research conference, the upload of the TDK paper and selection of the section must be completed within 30 days of the email specified in point 4 of Supplement No. 2 of the General Call for the 37th OTDK. Participants who will be eligible to submit a TDK paper at a student research conference held within 30 days before the application deadline for the Social Sciences Section of the 37th OTDK must upload their TDK paper to the OTDT online system by the application deadline.

ATTENTION! Uploading TDK paper does not automatically constitute registration for the 37th OTDK. Applications must be submitted during the registration period, following the steps described in the next section.

4.1.2. The application

Registration period: **15 November 2024 – 8 January 2024 (Wednesday), 16:00 (CET)**

Students' tasks during this period are:

- Filling in the information related to the uploaded application.
- Uploading the abstract.
- After completing the data entry and uploading the abstract, finalizing the registration in the OTDT online system.
- Printing the registration form from the OTDT online system and sign it in your own hand, **OR** electronically signing the application form in PDF format generated from the OTDT online system.
- Scanning of the application form, signed by the student(s) in their own handwriting, uploading it in (PDF format) to the OTDT online system, **OR** uploading the electronically signed application form in PDF format to the OTDT online system.

A common expectation for documents signed by hand or electronically:

- a) A document authenticated using the identification-based document authentication service (Client Gateway AVDH, available at <https://nizsavdh.gov.hu/index>) via the Client Gateway.

OR

- b) a printed and hand-signed document may be accepted in scanned (PDF) format.

After the registration deadline for students – 8 January 2025 (Wednesday), 16:00 (CET) – it will no longer be possible for students to upload application documents in the OTDT online system.

5. Tasks of the TDT Chair in relation to the 37th OTDK

5.1. Following the student research conference:

Uploading the documents of the student research conference and sending them to the OTDT Office according to Supplement 2 of the General Call for the 37th OTDK.

5.2. Following the registration deadline:

- A) Approval of participant registrations in the OTDT online system (all registrations are automatically approved in the system; therefore, action is only required if the institution/faculty does not wish to delegate a submitted TDK paper to the OTDK).
- B) For TDK papers and authors registered in the Social Sciences Section, the summary list of approved registrations must be printed from the OTDT online system, signed by hand, scanned, and uploaded in PDF format to the OTDT online system, **OR** the summary list generated in Excel format from the OTDT online system must be converted to PDF, electronically signed, and then uploaded to the OTDT online system.

Common expectations for documents signed by hand or electronically:

- a) A document authenticated using the identification-based document authentication service (Client Gateway AVDH, available at https://mo.hu/szuf_avdh_feltoltes) via the Client Gateway

OR

- b) a printed and hand-signed document may be accepted in scanned (PDF) format.

Deadline for institutional and faculty TDT Chairs to upload documents to the OTDT online system: 13 January 2025 (Monday) 16:00 (CET). After the deadline, it is no longer possible to upload application documents to the OTDT online system.

We are unable to accept TDK papers that do not meet the requirements outlined in the Section Call; such applications will be rejected.

Applications submitted individually are invalid.

6. Registration fee

The registration fees for the 37th OTDK will be decided at a later stage, subject to the availability of funding.

7. The awards that can be granted at the OTDK and the Special Prize of the Session Panel

A certificate of participation in the OTDK will be awarded to all authors and supervisors of each paper presented. In addition, a maximum of one-third of the papers presented may be awarded one of the first, second and third places per section, taking into account that a maximum of one application per session may be awarded first place. The Section Panel may award a special prize to TDK papers that do not achieve ranking but are judged by the Session Panel to be worthy of recognition on the basis of their professional merit, and which are judged to be immediately behind the winning applications. The authors of the winning papers and those of the papers receiving the Special Prize of the Session Panel will each receive a certificate for the ranking or the Special Session Panel Prize.

The total number of winning papers and papers awarded the Special Prize of the Session Panel may not exceed 50% of the total number of papers presented in a section. Further rules on prizes are set out in Supplement 3 of the General Call.

Submission of Pro Scientia Gold Medal application

The authors of TDK papers that have been awarded first place at the national conference may apply for the Pro Scientia Gold Medal, provided that they meet the additional criteria set out in the call. Details are provided in Supplement 5 of the 37th OTDK General Call.

We invite and welcome all interested students and their supervisors!

Budapest, 9 April 2024.

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Note: If any interpretational issues arise between the Hungarian call and its English translation, the Hungarian version shall prevail.