

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT

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Humanities Doctoral Students' Union

1 MAY 2026 – 30 MAY 2026

1. Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Participants	Notes
2026.05.04.	Institute Council of the Institute of Language Mediation	members of the institute council	online
2026.05.04.	Preparatory Meeting	Faculty leadership of ELTE BTK	-
2026.05.05.	Faculty of Humanities Days	students, instructors, and staff of ELTE BTK	We participated in the first day of the Faculty of Humanities Days with a DÖK stand.
2026.05.06.	Council of the Doctoral School of Linguistics	members of the council	extraordinary meeting
2026.05.06.	Doctoral Council of the Faculty of Humanities	members of the council	-
2026.05.06– 07.	Trefort Student Conference	participants of the conference	Section chair responsibilities during the conference were carried out by DÖK representatives and other doctoral students.
2026.05.07.	Faculty Council	members of the council	-
2026.05.11.	Preparatory Meeting	Faculty leadership of ELTE BTK	-
2026.05.18.	Preparatory Meeting	Faculty leadership of ELTE BTK	-

2026.05.18.	EDÖK Presidential Meeting	presidents of the faculty student unions	-
2026.05.20.	Meeting of the Economic and Facilities Management Council	members of the council	discussion of the budget
2026.05.28.	Faculty Council	members of the council	Unfortunately, the council did not have a quorum, therefore decisions regarding current matters were made through voting by correspondence.

2. Activities

As can also be seen from the event calendar, May was an exceptionally eventful period for the Doctoral Student Union. Below, I would like to briefly present the most important events and activities of the month in a structured format.

2.1 Bölcsész Napok (Faculty Days)

The organisation of the Faculty of Humanities Days programme had already begun in April, while the implementation of the event took place in May. On 5 May, the Doctoral Student Union set up a stand in the Trefort Garden, where we welcomed interested students throughout the day.

At our stand, participants could complete a quiz related to ELTE BTK and doctoral education in general. Students who answered the questions correctly could win small prizes. The programme attracted considerable interest.

The aim of the stand was not only to involve students and create a more direct and informal programme, but also to promote the Doctoral Student Union and doctoral education itself, while increasing their visibility. I believe that these goals were successfully achieved, and we were especially pleased that several students approached us with specific questions regarding the structure, operation, and opportunities of doctoral education.

Overall, I believe that the programme fulfilled its purpose: we had a successful, active, and enjoyable day, which also provided an excellent opportunity for direct interaction with students. In addition, visitors had the opportunity to take photographs at our stand, and a few of these pictures are attached below.



Judit Bóna, Vice-Dean for Research, and Béla Stipicz, Head of the Doctoral Office, at the Doctoral Student Union stand during the Faculty Days.



Boglárka Fanni Tóth, President of the ELTE BTK Doctoral Student Union, and László Nemes, Head of the Alumni Department of the National Association of Doctoral Students, at the Doctoral Student Union stand during the Faculty Days.

2.2 IV. Trefort Student Conference

The organisational work related to the conference had also already begun in April, while the conference itself took place on 6–7 May. During the conference, section chair responsibilities were carried out by representatives of the Doctoral Student Union and other doctoral students. As president, the assignment and coordination of the section chairs were among my responsibilities.

During the conference, we had the opportunity to listen to numerous interesting and high-quality presentations. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the presenters and also thank the section chairs for their work and contribution to the successful implementation of the event.



Franciska Van Waarden and Boglárka Fanni Tóth at the IV. Trefort Student Conference after receiving certificates of recognition for their work as section chairs.

2.3 Doctoral Admission Examinations

The period of doctoral admission examinations began in May and will continue throughout June as well. During the admission procedures, the Doctoral Student Union coordinates the participation of student representatives in the committees in cooperation with the Doctoral Office.

The process works in such a way that instructors notify the Doctoral Office regarding which admission committees require a student delegate, after which, as president, it is my responsibility to coordinate and assign the student representatives.

We were able to provide appropriate student representation for every admission examination for which a student member was requested. Based on the feedback of the participating student representatives, all admission examinations have so far proceeded smoothly and without any issues.

The table below presents the doctoral admission examinations held in May, as well as the student representatives who participated in them.

Dátum	Időpont	PhD program	Helyszín	Hallgató
május 19.	12:30	Művelődéstörténet	Főépület, II. em. 254	Varga Katalin
május 20.	11:30	Ökortörténet	Főépület, I. em. 144	Tóth Boglárka Fanni
május 20.	14:00	Buddhista filológia	Múzeum krt. 4/B 105 és online	Tóth Boglárka Fanni
május 27.	14:00	Germanisztikai irodalomtudomány	R5-255	Van Waarden Franciska
május 27.	14:30	Angol irodalom és kultúra a középkorban és kora újkorban	R5-337	Lippai Dorka
május 28.	10:00	Régészet	Múzeum krt. 4/B alagsor 30. Antik terem	Takács Balázs
május 29.	9:00	1945 utáni magyar irodalom és az irodalmi modernség	A épület 310	Tóth Boglárka Fanni

2.4 Important Meetings During the Month

Several important meetings took place during this month. Among these, the meeting of the Economic and Facilities Management Council should be highlighted, during which the university budget was discussed and approved. This meeting was particularly important, as the decisions made there determine the framework and possibilities of the university's operation in the longer term as well.

Another significant event was the extraordinary meeting of the Doctoral School of Linguistics, which was convened due to a serious conflict that had

developed between a doctoral student and one of their co-supervisors. During the meeting, both parties were given the opportunity to present their perspectives, after which a joint professional statement was formulated. As a doctoral student representative, I sought to participate in the process while keeping the interests of the student in mind. We hope that the conflict can be resolved in a reassuring and constructive manner in the future.

The EDÖK General Assembly also took place during the month. During the assembly, in light of my upcoming completion of the doctoral programme, I resigned from several university committee memberships, and new student representatives were elected to take over these responsibilities in the future.

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