



Fact Sheet 2024-25

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Information on Study Programs

Programs Offered	Undergraduate Level - Faculties: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/faculties	Postgraduate - Graduate Schools: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/graduate-schools
OzU Program Coordinators	<i>OLAs and Study Plans are reviewed and signed by the Faculty Program Coordinators.</i> Please ensure that the correct coordinator is designated to sign the OLA/Study Plan for each student. The contact details of our program coordinators is available on our website: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/ozu-program-coordinators	

Nomination and Application Process

Online Nomination	We use an online nomination system; for your nominees, please log into: http://intexchange.ozyegin.edu.tr OzU IEP periodically shares username and password with partners' coordinators. You may request login information from international.relations@ozyegin.edu.tr .	
Nomination Deadlines	Nominations should be sent approximately one month before the application deadline. We are flexible to receive your nominations as long as it is before the application deadline.	
Application Deadlines	1 st Semester (Fall): 16th July	2 nd Semester (Spring): 29th November
Online Application	We use the online application system: http://intexchange.ozyegin.edu.tr Once a student is nominated by his/her Erasmus coordinator, the system automatically sends an email that includes the application link and instructions along with the username and password. Application information is available on the incoming student website: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/exchange-programs/global-exchange/incoming-students	
Language Requirement for Application	A minimum B2 level proficiency in English is a prerequisite for admission as an exchange student. Students are required to submit either a certificate from their home university confirming their B2 level, or their TOEFL iBT score (80), or an equivalent score from one of the recognized exams. Please note that IELTS score is not accepted according to rule of the Council of Higher Education in Türkiye. Please refer to the link below for information on other recognized exams: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/student-services/application-admission/language-proficiency-requirement Native English speakers or students applying from partner institutions teaching fully in English do not need to submit proof of language proficiency. You may review their admissions criteria for graduate programs since language proficiency requirements may vary: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/graduate-schools	
Learning Agreement at Application Stage	Submitting Online Learning Agreements (OLA)/Study Plans (course selections) is not required for the online application. OLA/Study Plans are required from the students after they are officially admitted to our university as exchange students.	

Academic Calendar and Arrival Dates

Academic Calendar	<p>Academic calendars appear on the following webpage: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/student-services/academic-calendar * The official arrival day and orientation program are listed on students' acceptance letters/e-mails. They are usually a few days before the semesters start. Different dates might apply to graduate program students. Please review the respective part of the calendar and contact us for further details.</p>	
Arrival Dates	<p>The expected date for Fall Term is the last week of September. Students will be informed about the exact date via email. (TBD)</p>	<p>The expected date for Spring Term is the second week of February. Students will be informed about the exact date via email. (TBD)</p>

Information on Academic Matters

Course Selection and Enrolment	<p>The regular course load per term is 30 ECTS credits. Maximum course load is 36 ECTS per semester. If students need to take more credits, additional approvals may be required. Offered courses might be reviewed on the following link: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/ects-course-catalog-courses-offered/courses-offered?utm_source=footer. Course offerings vary from semester to semester, but previous years/semesters give a general idea about possible offerings. Incoming exchange students submit their tentative learning agreements with their course selections. Final course registration will take place at the beginning of each semester, during the course registration and add/drop period stated on the academic calendar. Students are obliged to complete the necessary paperwork and receive approvals within the given deadlines. We use the Online Learning Agreement (OLA) through the KION system integrated with the EWP system. The incoming students are highly suggested to prepare OLA for their exchange term.</p>
Language Courses	<p>Exchange students may take a semester-long <i>Turkish for Foreigners</i> course for credit (4 ECTS) at various levels.</p>
Add/ Drop Period	<p>Students finalize their OLAs during the first two weeks. Add/drop period is announced on the official academic calendar (TBD).</p>
Withdrawal Period	<p>Students may withdraw course(s) during the designated withdrawal period which is announced on the official academic calendar (TBD). https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/student-services/semester-and-course-registrations/course-withdrawal</p>
Exams	<p>End-of-semester examinations are administered during the examination period as announced on the academic calendar. No special early exams may be arranged for the incoming exchange students.</p>
Grading	<p>A student's course performance is evaluated by the relevant course instructor based on mid-term examinations and assignments, as well as attendance, if applicable, and the results of the end-of-semester examinations. For every course taken by a student, the relevant course instructor assigns a grade to the student within the announced dates on the academic calendar. We use the ECTS credit system and the grading system is standard American letter grade. The minimum passing grade is 'D' for undergraduate programs and "C" for graduate programs. https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/erasmus-program/ects-ds</p>
Learning expectations	<p>Students are required to attend all courses, applied exercises, laboratory sessions, projects, examinations, and other related academic activities for which they are registered. The instructor, in the beginning of the semester, announces the effect of attendance on the grade calculation.</p>
Transcripts	<p>Özyeğin University issues ECTS Transcript of Record automatically to all incoming Erasmus exchange students. Global exchange students are issued Transcript of Records in English. ToR are mailed to partner institution International Offices/Study Abroad Offices directly within 6 weeks after the grading period.</p>
Academic Expenses	<p>No tuition fee and/or registration fee for exchange students. Students are responsible of purchasing their textbooks and covering their personal expenses.</p>

Information on ÖzÜ Campus

Housing	<p>Özyeğin University has on-campus residence halls few minutes' walk away from the academic buildings. The residence halls offer a comfortable living environment and feature facilities and services to ensure an efficient study atmosphere. Shuttle service is provided between Çekmeköy and several city center locations on weekdays and weekends. For details on facilities, room plans, and regulations, you can visit the following link: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/dormitories/overview</p> <p>Further information regarding room reservations and application form are provided after the acceptance letters. All registered students may live in the dormitories by signing the binding housing agreement. The University does not take responsibility for the private rental arrangements of the students.</p> <p>You may see the up to date housing fee on this link: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/dormitories/housing-fees. Please note that deposit fees are not required for exchange students.</p>
Meal plan	<p>On-campus Residence Hall accommodation does not include a meal plan. However, on our campus, there is a dining hall serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as various cafeterias offering fast-food and other options throughout the day.</p>
On-campus Facilities & Student Systems	<p>Within the OzU campus, students will have wireless Internet access. Students will be given individualized OzU e-mail accounts.</p> <p>Other campus facilities include: Dining hall, cafeterias, health center, athletic center, library, copy center, bookstore, banking, supermarket, student clubs, and residence halls. Students must use several on-line platforms for educational and administrative purposes:</p> <p>Student Info System (SIS): https://sis.ozyegin.edu.tr/OZU_GWT/login.jsp</p> <p>Learning Management System (LMS): https://lms.ozyegin.edu.tr/login/index.php myOzU platform: https://my.ozyegin.edu.tr/</p>
Arrival at OzU Campus	<p>There are two international airports in Istanbul. Sabiha Gökçen International Airport (SAW) is located on the Asian side, and Istanbul Airport (IST) is located on the European side. OzU is located on the Asian side, so if you're staying in the dorms, we encourage you to use SAW - Sabiha Gokcen Airport rather than the Istanbul Airport. You may choose to take a taxi from the airport or one of the various public transportation options.</p>

Useful Information for Exchange Students

Information Sources for Exchange students	<p>Erasmus+ Incoming Students Webpage: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/erasmus-exchange-program/incoming-students</p> <p>Global Exchange Incoming Students Webpage: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/global-exchange-program/incoming-students</p> <p>We send information packages to nominated students and partner universities in electronic format. Students receive their acceptance and support letters within a few weeks after the application deadline. They also receive additional arrival information, residence permit application form, housing application and orientation day program approximately one month before their arrival.</p>
Visa requirements	<p>Please check with the nearest Turkish Embassy/Consulate whether you are required a student visa or not. Please check the following link to find Turkish Embassies or Consulates abroad: http://www.mfa.gov.tr/turkish-representations.en.mfa and you may click here for the visa information. Please be advised that the visa process may take 6-8 weeks.</p>
OzU student card	<p>OzU student card is given to all exchange students at the beginning of the semester. Students are required to show their student cards to enter campus and benefit from on campus facilities.</p>
Residence permit	<p>All incoming exchange students must register with the Directorate General of Migration (Immigration Office) in Türkiye in order to obtain their residence permits. Before students arrive, OzU IEP will send instructions on the application process and as part of the orientation will continue assisting students.</p>

<p>Health Insurance</p>	<p>OzU Health Center is on campus for emergency and outpatient treatment. If deemed necessary, following first aid, patients are directed to a nearby hospital for further examination and treatment. There is an ambulance and paramedic support available 24/7 on campus.</p> <p>All incoming exchange students must have a valid health insurance to cover the duration of their academic stay. Students, who do not hold a valid health insurance for the residence permit application as well as personal needs, must purchase their health insurance coverage upon their arrival. OzU IEP will provide info on several companies and their offers for interested students' consideration.</p> <p>Please note that the European Health Insurance Card is not valid in Türkiye and your policy must meet the minimum standards mentioned in our website.</p>
<p>Cost of Living</p>	<p>Approximately 600-700 €* per month. Approximate costs are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly rent: 450 - 650 € • Public transportation ticket per day: 1 € • Cost of a meal at campus dining hall: 3 - 4 € • Meal at restaurant: 10 - 15 € • Movie ticket: 5 - 6 € • Residence permit card fee: 12 - 13 € (one-time fee) <p>*The exchange rate is approximately calculated as 1 EUR = 30 TRY</p>
<p>The City</p>	<p>ISTANBUL: A historical, vibrant city</p> <p>In Istanbul, you can explore the city once known as the capital of capital cities, having served as the axis upon which the Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman Empires revolved. It has been the home to more than 120 emperors and sultans over a span of 1600 years, and there are still remnants of their former wealth and glory scattered throughout the city: palaces and villas, churches and mosques, fountains and theaters, private schools, and bathhouses.</p> <p>Today, from the depths of this historical Istanbul, a new, modern, dynamic Istanbul has been born. Alongside ancient minarets and Roman city walls have emerged shiny shopping malls, skyscrapers, and residences; integrated amongst the narrow streets and cobbled walkways are bars and nightclubs ringing out the latest music sensations and featuring the newest fashion trends. With a population of over 15 million spread across two continents, it is a city that never stops evolving.</p> <p>Istanbul is also the financial and industrial capital of the country, playing a significant role in regional trade and cross-border relations. Being an OzU exchange student will allow you to experience a wide range of historical, cultural, and architectural aspects of Istanbul. Also, you may take a look at the UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Türkiye: http://whc.unesco.org/en/statesparties/tr</p>