

Congratulations on your acceptance to Bilkent University. You have taken an important step towards adding an international dimension to your education.

Registration for the 2017-2018 academic year will take place **5 September - 6 September 2017** at the Bilkent University Main Campus Sports Hall.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION

- 1) Photocopies of the passport pages including, *a)* identification information, *b)* stamp of the latest entry date to Turkey, and for students from countries which are not exempt from the visa requirement to enter Turkey, *c)* visa issued by the Turkish Consulate in home country.

Students who live in Turkey must submit a photocopy of their residence permit.

Students who have a diplomatic ID or a "Blue Card" must submit the photocopy of these documents.

- 2) Five recent passport-size photographs.
- 3) Original high school diploma and transcript.
- 4) The "Equivalency Certificate" of high school diploma.

This certificate verifies that your high school diploma is equivalent to a Turkish high school diploma.

Before leaving for Turkey, you can obtain this certificate from the Turkish Consulate in your home country OR after you arrive, from the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Turkey at the following address:

Ankara İl Milli Eğitim Müdürlüğü
İ Blok Kültür Bölümü Beşevler, Ankara
Phone: +90 312 212 4642

To apply for the equivalency certificate, students must submit their original high school diploma and a transcript listing all of the courses taken in high school including the grades and credit hours for each, accompanied by a translation in English or Turkish.

- 5) Original exam score sheets (SAT, GCE Advanced Level, TQDK, etc.) are required if uploaded during application.

Official SAT scores must be sent to Bilkent University directly from the College Board (Code - 9877).

Bilkent University reserves the right to verify the validity of exam scores.

- 6) English Language Proficiency exam score sheets (IELTS/TOEFL) must be sent to Bilkent University directly from the related institutions.

(Please see "English Language Proficiency" section below for detailed information.)

- 7) Tuition fee payment receipt. Students must pay their fall semester tuition fee before the registration.

(Please see "Tuition Fee" section below for detailed information.)

Please note: If the documents listed above are in a language other than English or Turkish, students must provide a translation by a certified translator along with the copy of the original document.

VISA INFORMATION

Please contact the Turkish Consulate in your country to learn about your country's visa regime with Turkey.

The visa processing time may take between 6-8 weeks in some countries. If you are required to obtain a visa, please make sure that you apply to the Turkish Consulate as soon as you receive your admission confirmation from Bilkent University.

RESIDENCE PERMIT

International students are required to obtain a residence permit within a maximum of thirty (30) days after entering Turkey.

The Office of International Students will provide detailed information at registration about the procedure of applying to the Ankara Migration Management Office for a residence permit.

Students must submit a copy of their residence permit to the Office of International Students as soon as they receive it from the Ankara Migration Management Office.

TUITION FEE

The tuition fee for the 2017-2018 academic year is 14,500 USD (8% VAT included). The tuition fee information can be viewed at <https://w3.bilkent.edu.tr/international/tuition-fee/>.

The tuition fee can be paid in two equal installments by the due dates before the Fall and Spring semesters.

International tuition fees can be paid in Turkish Lira (TL) only within Turkey. If international students prefer to pay the tuition amount in Turkish Lira instead of USD, the USD effective exchange rate of the Central Bank of Turkey on date of payment will be used to calculate the TL amount.

The tuition fee for the Fall semester should be paid prior to registration. Representatives of the banks will be present in the registration area and students can make tuition payments to them after completing the pre-registration process at the registration desk.

Students may also wire transfer the tuition fee from their home country at least one week before the registration date to the bank account provided below. Please note that students should have their first name and last name written on the bank receipt and that this receipt needs to be submitted to the registration desk during registration.

Garanti Bank / Bilkent Branch
USD Account Number: 393-9088737
USD IBAN: TR10 0006 2000 3930 0009 0887 37
SWIFT CODE: TGBATRIS

All students who are admitted to Bilkent University in accordance with the regulations stated in the Higher Education Council's "Guidelines for Admission of Students From Abroad" are considered international students and are required to pay the international student tuition fees.

DORMITORY REGISTRATION

Bilkent University offers on-campus housing for both national and international students. The dormitories provide a safe, clean, and comfortable atmosphere for more than 4,000 students.

For more detailed information on the dormitory options and fees, please visit http://www.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent-tr/admin-unit/yurt/e_yurt_ucret.html.

Students who want to guarantee a dormitory room on campus must confirm by 31 July 2017 their intention to attend Bilkent University by clicking the confirmation link sent to them in the acceptance e-mail. Although the confirmation guarantees a dormitory room on campus, the room type may differ based on availability. Students will be required to pay a confirmation fee of 50 USD to complete the confirmation process. This fee will be deducted from the dormitory fee after the student registers to the dormitories. Please note that this fee will NOT be refunded if the student decides not to register to the dormitories.

Those who confirm their attendance at Bilkent University will be able to register to the dormitories after completing the registration which will take place 5 September - 6 September 2017. Students can apply to the Dormitories Registration Desk located in the registration area by presenting their Bilkent student ID card and dormitory fee for the fall semester. After completing dormitory registration students will be entitled to check into the dormitories on the same day.

Those who do not register to the dormitories during the registration period will lose their chance of a guaranteed dormitory room, even if they have confirmed their attendance at Bilkent University before 31 July 2017. On-campus accommodation will not be guaranteed for students who do not confirm their attendance at Bilkent University by 31 July 2017 or for those who apply to the university after 31 July 2017. In such cases the university will make efforts to help find off-campus accommodation for students.

Dormitories Contact Information:

Bilkent University
Dormitories Management 06800, Bilkent / ANKARA
Phone: +90 312 290 4002
Fax: +90 312 266 4069
E-mail: yurt@bilkent.edu.tr

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

The medium of instruction at Bilkent University is English. Students may present results from one of the recognized international exams or take Bilkent University's own Proficiency in Academic English (PAE) exam upon arrival and registration. Students who cannot meet proficiency requirements are required to attend the English Language Preparatory Program. Recognized external exams and required scores are:

IELTS – 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 on each section
(IELTS score sheet should be sent directly from the test center to Bilkent University)

TOEFL IBT – 87 in total
(TOEFL score sheet should be sent directly from ETS to Bilkent University – CODE: 0620)

External exam results should be within their two-year validity period at the time of registration.

The Bilkent University School of English Language reserves the right to check the validity of exam results and not to accept a result.

The PAE exam schedule for the fall semester of the 2017-2018 academic year is given below. A booklet detailing rules and other information about the exam will be provided during registration.

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| Thursday, 7 September 2017 (10:00) | PAE Exam: 1 st stage |
| Thursday, 7 September 2017 (18:00) | PAE Exam 1 st stage results announced |
| Friday, 8 September 2017 (09:15) | PAE Exam: 2 nd stage part-A |
| Friday, 8 September 2017 (19:00) | PAE Exam: 2 nd stage part-A results announced |
| Saturday, 9 September 2017 (09:15) | PAE Exam: 2 nd stage part-B writing exam |
| Saturday, 9 September 2017 – Tuesday, 12 September 2017 | PAE Exam: 2 nd stage part-B speaking exam |
| Tuesday, 12 September 2017 | PAE Exam 2 nd stage results announced |

GE 100 INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC LIFE

GE 100 Introduction to Academic Life, designed as a one-credit required course, will take place 11 September - 13 September 2017.

The GE 100 Introduction to Academic Life course is designed to welcome and acclimatize students to the university's academic and social environment. It is a collection of activities rather than a traditional course and an experience which past participants have enjoyed.

The university offers the course to introduce its programs and facilities to all incoming students. The program booklet will be provided at registration.

STARS-SRS SERVICE

STARS is the name of the Bilkent University academic information service. Students have access to the STARS system through the SRS (Student Review System) module. This service allows you to learn your PAE exam location and results, to register for courses and to access information

such as your grades, transcript, curriculum, etc. Your initial SRS password will be provided to you along with your Bilkent ID card during registration.

Please follow the link <http://stars.bilkent.edu.tr/srs> to login to STARS-SRS.

GENERAL HEALTH INSURANCE

International students are required to enroll in the General Health Insurance (GHI) system and to renew the enrollment every year. The fee for the GHI is approximately 500 Turkish Lira (TL)/per year. Further information will be provided during registration.

2017-2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL SEMESTER

Pre-registrations for Faculty of Music and Performing Arts Aptitude Examination
29 May - 2 June 2017

Pre-registrations for Faculty of Art, Design, and Architecture Aptitude Examination
5 June - 9 June 2017

Faculty of Music and Performing Arts Aptitude Examination
12 June - 15 June 2017

Faculty of Art, Design, and Architecture Aptitude Examination
14 June 2017

Registration
5 September - 6 September 2017

PAE Exam: 1st stage
7 September 2017 (10:00)

Turkish Exam for International Students
7 September 2017 (15:00)

PAE Exam: 2nd stage part-A
8 September 2017 (09:15)

PAE Exam: 2nd stage part-B writing exam
9 September 2017 (09:15)

PAE Exam: 2nd stage part-B speaking exam
9 September - 12 September 2017

Turkish Course for New International Students
9 September 2017

GE-100 Introduction to Academic Life
11 September - 13 September 2017

English Preparatory Program Period 1 Begins
14 September 2017

Classes Begin
18 September 2017

Last Day for Adding/Dropping Courses
22 September 2017 (23:59)

Classes End
22 December 2017

Final Examinations
26 December 2017 - 9 January 2018

Holidays/Breaks (no classes on these days)

30 August 2017 – Victory Day

1 September – 4 September 2017 – Feast of Sacrifice

29 October 2017 - Republic Day

1 January 2018- New Year's Day

SPRING SEMESTER

English Preparatory Program Period 3 Begins
22 January 2018

Spring Semester Course Registration for Continuing Students
25 January – 26 January 2018

Classes Begin
29 January 2018

Last Day for Adding/Dropping Courses
2 February 2018 (23:59)

Classes End
14 May 2018

Final Examinations
16 May – 28 May 2018

Holidays/Breaks (no classes on these days)

23 April 2018 - National Sovereignty and Children's Day

1 May 2018 - Labor and Solidarity Day

19 May 2018- Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day

- For the detailed academic calendar, you may visit:
<http://w3.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent/academic-calendar-2017-2018/>