

OZU



Exchange Student
Welcome Guide

Özyeğin University

2014 | 2015



— ÖZYEĞİN —
— UNIVERSITY —

FAST FACTS

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| Year of Foundation | : 2007 |
| First Academic Year | : 2008-2009 |
| Number of Students | : 2954 |
| Undergraduate | : 2607 |
| Graduate | : 347 |
| International | : 169 |

Research Centers

- Center for Entrepreneurship
- Center of Study of German Law
- Center for Computational Finance
- Center for Energy Environment and Economy

University Campus

Çekmeköy Campus

Undergraduate Programs:

- B.A. in Business Administration
- B.A. in Banking and Finance
- B.A. in Entrepreneurship
- B.A. in Management Information Systems
- B.A. in International Business
- B.A. in Economics
- B.A. in International Relations
- B.A. in Psychology
- BLL in Law
- B.Sc. in Electrical-Electronics Engineering
- B.Sc. in Industrial Engineering
- B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering
- B.Sc. in Computer Science
- B.Sc. in Civil Engineering
- B.Sc. in Architecture
- B.Sc. in Communication Design
- B.Sc. in Industrial Product Design
- B.Sc. in Interior Architecture and Environmental Design
- B.Sc. in Hotel Management
- B.Sc. in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts
- B.Sc. in Air Transportation Management
- B.Sc. in Pilot Training

Graduate Programs:

- M.Sc. and PhD in Electrical-Electronics Engineering
- M.Sc. and PhD in Industrial Engineering
- M.Sc. and PhD in Computer Science
- M.Sc. and PhD in Mechanical Engineering
- M.Sc. in Financial Engineering
- MBA and Executive MBA
- Ph.D. in Business (Marketing, Finance, Operations)
- M.A. in Entrepreneurship
- LL.M. and Ph.D. in Public and Private Law
- LL.M. in Law



OzU fosters a global melting pot...

Walk down the corridors of OzU and you'll hear pleasant chatter in Russian and Farsi, jokes in Azeri and Ukrainian, conversations in English, and the occasional cacophony of Dutch, French, German and Spanish. Full-time international students, exchange students, graduate students from abroad, visiting students, Istanbul summer program students, foreign faculty – at OzU a distinct international flavor is brewing.

Currently, over 30 countries are represented at OzU. Outbound, a large part of our current 3rd year students are embarking on exchange at partner universities; increasing opportunities for international internship placements are met with even greater demand. Moreover, international know-how is brought to the university's doorstep via the wealth of foreign faculty and all professors with extensive overseas experience.

In accordance with our **non-discrimination statement**, Özyeğin University hires academic and administrative staff and admits students regardless of gender, race, color, national or ethnic origin, creed, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity and does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, national or ethnic origin, creed, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity in the administration of its educational and employment policies, its scholarship conferment, or any university-sponsored programs.

OzU is truly a place where students and faculty of all cultures and backgrounds can find a safe and supporting home away from home in pursuit of continuous learning and growth.

The academic year at OzU consists of two semesters, Fall & Spring, each 14 weeks of lecture time plus a 2 week final examinations period, and runs from the middle of September to the end of May with a three-week term break in between. Courses are held between Monday - Friday. In addition to the regular two academic semesters, the Summer term (June-July) offers a multitude of 7-week intensive courses for much of the core curriculum as well as a broad range of electives. The Summer term is also a time when many visiting professors from associated international universi-

ties teach a course at OzU in their field of expertise. This is a great chance to catch up, get ahead, or simply broaden your academic pursuits.

The Academic Calendar lists the dates and durations of important activities such as the enrollment, courses and examinations. All stakeholders are required to abide by this calendar. The Academic Calendar can be reached via OzU's website. The summary information of the 2014-15 Academic Calendar Fall Semester is provided below.

2014 - 2015 Academic Year Holidays & Important Dates For Incoming Exchange Students

| Academic Calendar* | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|
| Fall 2014 | | Spring 2015 | |
| 19 September 2014, Thursday | Official Arrival Date For Incoming Exchange | 10 February 2015, Monday | Official Arrival Date For Incoming Exchange Students |
| 20-21 September 2013, Friday | Students Exchange Student Orientation | 11-12 February 2015 | Exchange Student Orientation |
| 23 September 2014, Monday | First Day of Classes | 13 February 2015, Thursday | First Day of Classes |
| 30 September - 4 October 2014 | Add-drop | 24-28 February 2015 | Add-drop |
| 14 - 18 October 2014 | Religious Holiday | 31 March - 11 April 2015 | Withdrawal |
| 28 - 29 October 2014 | Republic Day (National Holiday) | 23 April 2015, Wednesday | National Sovereignty and Children's Day (National Holiday) |
| 11 - 22 November 2014 | Withdrawal | 19 May 2015, Friday | Commemoration of Atatürk Youth and Sports Day (National Holiday) |
| 1 January 2015, Wednesday | New Year Holiday | 28 May 2015, Wednesday | Last day of Classes |
| 8 January 2015, Wednesday | Last Day of Classes | 29 May - 11 June 2015 | End of Semester Examinations |
| 9 - 22 Ocak 2015 | End of Semester Examinations | | |

**Please note that semester start, end, and exams dates may differ for some graduate programs. Students are highly encouraged to visit the official academic calendar published on our webpage.*

Credit System

At OzU, we use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS), a standard that enables easy transfer of credits and student mobility between European higher education institutions. 60 ECTS credits are attached to an academic year's workload and the associated learning outcomes, with 30 ECTS for each semester. In the undergraduate programs, you need to complete a total of 240 ECTS in order to graduate. In graduate programs, you need to complete a total of 90 or 120 ECTS for masters, and 180 or 240 for doctorate. The regular workload for an exchange student is also 30 ECTS a semester.

At OzU, credit transfer and accumulation are facilitated by the use of the ECTS key documents, such as the Erasmus - ECTS Learning Agreement and the ECTS Transcript of Records. Upon graduation, OzU students are automatically issued a European Diploma Supplement in English.

Grading System

At OzU, a student's course performance is evaluated by the relevant course instructor based on mid-term examinations and assignments, participation, etc., and the results of the end-of-semester examinations. Grades are assigned within the announced dates on the academic calendar.

End-of-semester grades that contribute to the grade point average (GPA), weighted by the credit value of the course, and are as follows:

| End of Semester Grade | Coefficient |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| A | 4.00 |
| A- | 3.70 |
| B+ | 3.30 |
| B | 3.00 |
| B- | 2.70 |
| C+ | 2.30 |
| C | 2.00 |
| C- | 1.70 |
| D+ | 1.30 |
| D | 1.00 |
| F | 0.00 |

The total grade point a student has obtained from a course is calculated by multiplying the ECTS credits of the relevant course with the coefficient of the end-of-semester grade received from the course. All calculated averages are rounded up to two decimal places.

Students with a GPA of 3.00-3.49 are deemed 'Honor' students and 3.50 and above are deemed 'High Honor'; provided that they have not taken less than 24 ECTS credits and receive no fail grade.

At the end of any given semester, students with a GPA of 3.00-3.49 are deemed 'Honor' students; and those with a minimum GPA of 3.50 are deemed 'High Honor' provided that they have taken a minimum of 24 ECTS credits, they have not received a Fail grade and they have achieved a minimum CGPA of 2.00.

We use the ECTS credit system but our grading system is standard American letter grade.

| ECTS Grade | A | B | C | D | E | FX | F |
|------------|---------|---------------|---------------|----|---|----|---|
| OzU | A A- | B+ B B- | C+ C C- | D+ | D | I | F |

The minimum passing grade for undergraduate students is "D" and for graduate students is "C". Grade "F" indicates that the student failed the course.

End-of-Semester Grades that do not contribute to the GPA are as follows:

- S** Satisfactory
- U** Unsatisfactory
- IP** In Progress
- W** Withdrawal
- I** Incomplete