



Istanbul Technical University
Erasmus+ Mobility
Key Information for Partners and Students

- **Student Nominations**

E-mail nominations by the Erasmus/International Office of the sending institution will be enough for us to accept nominations. The nominations should be done preferably one month before the application deadline at latest.

- **Application Form**

We have an online application system. When you nominate your students, we expect them to fill it in fully and correctly. After students are nominated, we will send them the link.

- **Documents to be enclosed to the student's application:**

- ✓ Transcript of grades
- ✓ Language certificate
- ✓ A clean id photo
- ✓ Online application form (signed)

Specific requirements to be admitted as exchange student:

- ✓ Exchange students should take at least 25 ECTS in a semester during their study in ITU (30 ECTS optimal).
- ✓ Architecture students should submit a portfolio along with their application.

- **Deadlines**

Fall students should send their application documents before 1st of June and Spring students should apply before 1st of November.

- **Semester Terms**

ITU academic year consists of Fall Semester and Spring Semester. Although it has not been announced yet, Fall Semester will be between early September and mid-January; Spring Semester will be between early February and early June.

Online course registration is not possible for exchange students; students must register themselves in the beginning of semester personally, so please advise your students to check if their schedule fits with our academic calendar.

- **Accommodation and Services**

ITU cannot provide accommodation for Erasmus students; however, we are building a network, which is a Facebook group among exchange students so they can recommend newcomers the houses that stayed and inform each other about opportunities and problems.

Please recommend your students to join Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/153908324757441/>

We help Erasmus students to get a discounted travel card (will be mentioned during Orientation Day).

All Erasmus students receive an ITU student id card with all electronic facilities in it so they can use the library, cafeteria and other kinds of services within campus.

All Erasmus students also receive an ITU e-mail account and they can follow their courses and grades online.

ITU does not offer scholarships for international students.

- **Language of Instruction**

All courses in ITU are taught in both English and Turkish. Erasmus students are allowed to follow English courses. However, if they can show a certificate of Turkish or they are native Turkish speakers, they can also follow Turkish courses.

- **Certificates of Language**

ITU needs a certificate of language in English from every exchange student.

Prospective student's language score must be at least B1 level (Intermediate) according to CEFR standards.

- **Courses and Schedules**

Graduate Courses: http://www.sis.itu.edu.tr/tr/ders_programlari/LUprogramlar/luprg.php

Undergraduate Courses: <http://www.sis.itu.edu.tr/eng/curriculums/>

Course Schedules: <http://www.sis.itu.edu.tr/eng/schedule/>

In order to receive any further information about a course or ECTS grading of a course, Erasmus students should contact the Departmental Coordinator of the related department/faculty. List of the department coordinators can be found from:

<http://www.erasmus.itu.edu.tr/en/about-us/erasmus-coordinators>

Erasmus students can attend undergraduate or postgraduate courses. They can work on final project/thesis. They can attend all courses as long as it is confirmed by the departmental coordinator. Individual cases should be evaluated by the department.

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Official Thesis registration is not confirmed. Students can work on thesis and get signed and stamped documents covering the evaluation of their process at ITU. However, they can not get official transcript showing the thesis result.

In addition, ITU has some private programmes that Erasmus students are not allowed to register to. Please be aware that the “dual-degree, SUNY, UOLP” undergraduate programmes and the graduate courses with the codes given below belong to these programmes:

- BTE, IYB, SSY, DUY, MBA, CTT, GYY, MHN, HGP, IPY, MYL, ITY, ROT.

Finally, every student is allowed to take only one Art class (SNT coded) per semester.

- **Turkish Courses**

Turkish language courses are given with the code “YTO” but they have no credits and no grade, only show up on the transcript as Fail/Pass bases.

- **Visa and Residence Permit**

EU citizens do not need to make a visa application before they come to Turkey. At the gates, the students will get a 3-month touristic visa. Students need to get a residence permit during these 3 months that the detailed information will be given during the Orientation day.

- **Health Insurance**

- Should cover all kinds of treatment in Turkey within your study duration (with dates)
- Insurance company with a collaborator/branch office in Turkey
- The formular (an inter-government bilateral agreement) approved by Social Security Institution of Turkey (Sosyal Güvenlik Kurumu, SGK) like T/A 11, A/TR 4, CZ/TR 111...
- Turkish Government insurance: ~65TL per month (around 15 Euros)
- Private insurance from a Turkish firm

*For applying to residence permit, it is required for applicants' health insurances to cover the "Minimum Policy Content" (see attachment).

**In Turkey, regardless of legal status, everyone can go to any hospital in emergency situations. However, for walk-in admittance one should have either social security or a private insurance. Since Erasmus students would not have a Turkish citizenship number, they have to have an insurance policy that covers their stay in Turkey. Some public hospitals demand an official document only given with social security number before hospital admittance. As a result, Erasmus students mostly have to go to private hospitals, which can be extremely expensive. Therefore, it is very important that incomers have a valid insurance that covers their stay in Turkey.



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