ÖZYEĞİN UNIVERSITY	**ÖZYEĞİN UNIVERSITY** **Fact Sheet** **2020-2021**

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Application and Nomination Process

Application Deadlines	1st Semester (Fall): **15th July**	2nd Semester (Spring): **30th 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 which includes the application link and instructions along with the username and password.	
Nomination Deadlines	Nominations should be sent approximately one month before the application deadline.	
Online Nomination	Ozyegin University is using an online nomination system; for your nominees, please log into: http://intexchange.ozyegin.edu.tr OzU IO periodically shares username and password with exchange coordinators. You may request login information from international.relations@ozyegin.edu.tr.	
Arrival Dates and Mandatory Orientation	Expected date is second or third week of September. Students will be informed about the exact date by email.	Expected date is second or third week of September. Students will be informed about the exact date by email.
Academic Calendar	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 few days before the semesters start. Different dates might apply to graduate students. Please review the respective part of the calendar and contact OzU IO for further details.	

OzU Information

Academic Level(s)	Undergraduate	Postgraduate
Programs Offered	Faculties: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/faculties Schools: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/schools	Graduate Schools: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/academics/graduate-schools

Language Requirement	For English programs, proficiency in English is expected (undergraduate students: TOEFL-IBT 80). https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/student-services/application-admission/language-proficiency-requirement . No official test score is required from exchange students nominated by our partner universities. However, we expect to receive a formal letter from the institution attesting to the language level if the medium of instruction is not English. Graduate programs may have different requirements. Please review their admissions criteria for details.
Information on courses/electives	Please check the following link for the list of courses offered: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/ects-course-catalog-courses-offered/courses-offered?utm_source=footer Learning Agreements must be completed as a supplement to the online application: http://intexchange.ozyegin.edu.tr Course offerings vary from semester to semester but previous years/semesters give a general idea about possible offerings.
Course Enrolment	Incoming exchange students submit their tentative learning agreements with their course selections. Final course registration will take place in the beginning of each semester, during the course registration period and add/drop period stated on the academic calendar. Students are obliged to complete the necessary paperwork and receive approvals within the given deadlines.
Course Load	The regular course load in the Fall and Spring semesters is 30 ECTS credits. If students need to take more credits, additional approvals may be required. Max. OzU course load is 36 ECTS per semester.
Add/ Drop Period	Students finalize their Learning Agreements during the first two weeks. Add/Drop period is announced on the official academic calendar (TBD).
Withdrawal Period	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
Exams	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.
Grading	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'. Grade F indicates that the student failed the course. https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/tr/node/2358
Learning expectations	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.
Transcripts	Özyeğin University issues **ECTS Transcripts** automatically to all incoming Erasmus exchange students. Global exchange students are issued transcripts in English. Transcripts are mailed to partner institution International Offices/Study Abroad Offices directly within 5 weeks after the grading period.

Exchange Students Information:

Information for Exchange students	1. Welcome Guide 2019-20 2. https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/international-cooperation-exchange-programs/erasmus-exchange-program/incoming-students
	We send information packages to nominated students and partner universities in electronic format. Students, who need student visa, receive their acceptance and support letters within 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.
Application Materials	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 The application form is online: http://intexchange.ozyegin.edu.tr
Housing	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 Cekmekoy 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 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. You may see the up to date housing fee on this link: https://www.ozyegin.edu.tr/en/dormitories/housing-fees . Please note that health insurance and deposit fees are not required for exchange students.
Cost of Living per month	Approximately 400 €/month. Some items and their approximate costs are as follows: - Monthly rent -250 € - Public transportation ticket -1 € - Cost of one meal at campus dining hall -3 € - Fast food meal -5 € - Movie ticket -5 € - Residence permit card fee - 14 € (one time fee)
Academic Expenses	No tuition fees for exchange students. Students are responsible of purchasing their text books and covering their personal expenses.
Meal plan	Residence hall accommodation does not include a meal plan. However; on our campus, there is a dining hall serving lunch and dinner, as well as various cafeterias offering fast-food and other options throughout the day.
Health Insurance	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. 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 IO will provide info on several companies and their offers for interested students' consideration. Please note that **the European Health Insurance Card is not valid in** Turkey and your policy must meet the minimum standards mentioned in our website.

OzU student card	Özyeğin student card is given to all exchange students in the beginning of the semester. Students may be asked to show their cards to enter examinations and benefit from on campus facilities.
Visa requirements	Please check with the nearest Turkish Embassy/Consulate whether you are required a student visa or not. Please be advised that the visa process may take 6-8 weeks.
Consulate address	Please check the following link to find Turkish Embassies or Consulates abroad: http://www.mfa.gov.tr/turkish-representations.en.mfa
Residence permit	All incoming exchange students must register with the Directorate General of Migration (Immigration Office) in Turkey in order to obtain their residence permits. Before students arrive, OzU IO will send instructions on the application process and as part of the orientation will continue assisting students.
Pick-up Service upon Arrival	The International Office will arrange a pick-up service from the airport during the **official arrival day** for undergraduate exchange students. Istanbul is served by two international airports, **Istanbul Airport** on the European and **Sabiha Gökçen Airport** on the Asian side. Exchange students should email their arrival details to the International Office as soon as they have finalized their travel arrangements.

Additional Information:

Language Courses	Exchange students may take a semester-long *Turkish for Foreigners* course for credit (4 ECTS) at various levels.
Summer programs	Özyeğin Summer Programs: June-August
Facilities on campus	Within the OzU campus, students will have wireless Internet access. Students will be given individualized OzU e-mail accounts. 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: Student Info System (SIS): https://sis.ozyegin.edu.tr/OZU_GWT/login.jsp Learning Management System (LMS): https://lms.ozyegin.edu.tr/login/index.php

About Istanbul:

The City	**ISTANBUL: A historical, vibrant city** 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. 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. 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 Turkey: http://whc.unesco.org/en/statesparties/tr