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WELCOME TO IŞIK UNIVERSITY, ISTANBUL

Işık University was established in 1996 by one of the oldest education institution in Türkiye, Feyziye Schools Foundation, which was initially named as Feyz-i Sıbyan School in 1885 later adopted the name of Işık with the approval of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk.

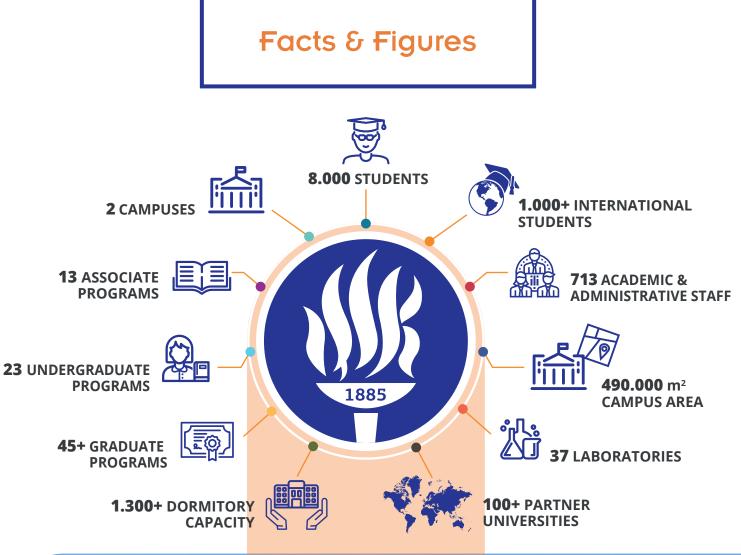
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As one of the well-established foundation universities of Türkiye, Işık University today offers high-quality education through 3 faculties with 23 undergraduate programs, 1 vocational school with 13 associate degree programs, and 1 graduate school with more than 45 programs. The University has approximately 8,000 students and 1,000+ of them are international students coming from 60 different countries.

Işık University has two campuses in both European and Asian sides of Istanbul. Maslak campus is located in the heart of the business district of Istanbul, the European side. Şile campus is located on the Black Sea Coast, in the famous resort town of Istanbul. The University welcomes its students, staff, and guests in its highly equipped campuses with a wide range of facilities.

Today, Işık University is making steady progress as a global university, taking on worldwide challenges and expanding its global education network by international exchange cooperation with various universities around the world. The University currently has 100+ glob partners and runs Erasmus+ Mobility Programs as well as other study abroad opportunities.

Işık University provides an excellent academic environment for its students and staff where they can gain key competencies such as entrepreneurship and leadership, facilitate scientific researches and technological developments, share knowledge nationwith and globally, and contribute to global values. The University aims to educate individuals who are socially responsible a academically strong.





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ERASMUS+ AT IŞIK UNIVERSITY

Işık University provide its students a variety of opportunities to study in Europe in order to broaden their educational and cultural horizons under the framework of the Erasmus+ Program, through more than 100 agreements with partner universities in 22 different countries in Europe. Students who participate in the Erasmus+ Program may spend one semester or a full academic year abroad at partner universities of Işık University. Erasmus students may benefit from EU mobility grants. Apart from the Erasmus+ program, Işık University also offers its students the study abroad experience in USA, Mexico and South Korea. 22 countries



Your Arrival Checklist

When You Arrive

- Tell your family you have arrived. Find accommodation Get your Işık Student ID Card Apply for residence permit Attend orientation events Course registration
- Get your timetable
 IstanbulKart (Public Transportation Card)
 Open your bank account
 Register your mobile phone
 Download Işık Mobile App.

Need Help?

If you are uncertain about what to do, have any worries in the first few weeks of term or if you want advice before you come to Istanbul, we will be very happy to help you.

Erasmus+ and Global Exchange Programs



international@isikun.edu.tr



www.isikun.edu.tr/international/erasmus-and-exchange



STEP 1:

Get information on available courses at Işık University for Erasmus+ Incoming students

Have a look at our courses and choose the suitable program for you, in English or Turkish via our ECTS package: https://www.isikun.edu.tr/international/ects-catalogue

Once you have found the right courses for you, contact your Erasmus+ Coordinator at your University and find out the nomination/application procedure and the required documents for your future mobility at Işık University.

STEP 2:

Nomination

To apply to Işık University for Erasmus+ Student Mobility Program, your university needs to have a current Institutional Agreement with Işık University and you need to be nominated to study in Işık University.

If you cannot find your university in our partner list you can contact to Işık University Erasmus+ Coordinatior and suggest the implementation of an agreement.

Işık University receives incoming student nominations through international@isikun.edu.tr e-mail address.



STEP 3:

Pre-Application (Required Documents to Upload)

- Copy of your passport
- English language certificate (min. B2 level)
- An up to date copy of transcript of records
- Passport size photo
- Copy of health insurance valid in Türkiye

Online App. System https://mobility.isikun.edu.tr

Once the pre-application is approved, students are asked to complete the application by uploading their Learning Agreement. Admission results are announced within 4 weeks upon the applications.

STEP 4:

Visa

Each country has different visa application procedures and require different documents that is why, please ask for information on visa regimes and application documents for Erasmus+ incoming students at the nearest Turkish Embassy/Consulate in your home country. For detailed information on visa requirements please visit:





How to Apply? Documents & Deadlines

STEP 5:

Health Insurance

Insurance period must cover the desired residence permit duration. Students from countries with bilateral social security agreement with Türkiye do not need insurance. Check the link for the list of countries with agreements:

Or you can get a Health Insurance Policy with minimum policy content from a private insurance company in Türkiye which is most common way chosen by Erasmus students.

www.sgk.gov.tr

e-ikamet.goc.gov.tr.

STEP 6:

Residence Permit Application

In order to stay in Türkiye more than 90 days, you need to apply for the Residence Permit after your arrival in Türkiye. International Office will assist for the residence permit procedure within the first month of arrival.

Required Documents for the Student Residence Permit Application

- The printout of the residence application form. Do not forget to sign the signature section on the application document.
- The Receipt of the residence permit card's Tax Payment (160 TL).
- The printout of your Passport ID page.
- The printout of your Passport Last Entry Stamp Page of Türkiye. If exists, Visa Page or e-Visa copy
- 4 Biometric photos: Full face, front view with a plain white background, taken within 6 months.
- Student Certificate. (Obtain this from the e-campus)
- Original One-Year (at least) valid Health insurance policy.

For detailed information about residence permit applications, please visit:

Orientation Day

At the beginning of each term, we organize Orientation Day in order to provide relevant and useful information for new exchange students.

By participating in Erasmus+ Student Orientation Day, you will receive information about:

- Life in Istanbul,
- Residence permit application rules,
- Health insurance,
- Course registration,
- Academic life at Işık University,
- Administrative units,
- Işık ESN (Erasmus Student Network)





Campus Life

Işık University provides its student with a safe, green and accessible campus. Şile Campus dormitories accommodates 1300+ students with 24/7 security, medical center and technical/cleaning services. Students are welcome to study at the 24/7 open library.

Campus offers variety of dining halls, sports and recreation facilities and a calming atmosphere with a sea view surrounded by Şile forests.

Daily shuttles are operated between Şile and Maslak campuses and the city center.



Course Registration (E-Campus System)

e-Campus is an online student information system which you can have access to;

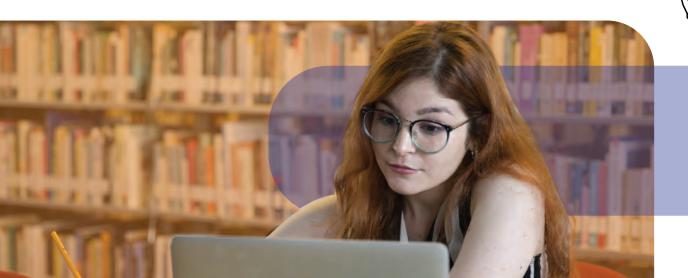
- Registration for Courses
- Course Schedules
- Assigned Curriculum
- Academic Calendar
- **Transcript**
- **Document Request (Student Letter)**
- Quick Access to different Services

Your username and password will be provided on the Orientation Day.

Learning Agreement

Only Academic coordinators at Işık University will be able to sign Learning Agreements. Please, find here the details of academic coordinators and course contents of at Işık University:

https://www.isikun.edu.tr/international/erasmus-departmental-coordinators



e-campus.isikun.edu.tr/Login

Blackboard

Blackboard is a virtual learning system that allows students and their faculty to participate in virtual classes or use online materials and activities to complement face to face teaching.

- Virtual Classes
- Virtual Exams
- Homework and Assignment Submission
- Tracking Courses
- Contacting the lecturers
- Tracking Grades



Webmail

Webmail is the main communication platform between the academic/administrative departments and the students. After registration every student gets an ISIK email address and password.

- Track down important announcements
- Communication
- International Office Announcements
- Updates about campus news and social activities

webmail.isik.edu.tr....

https://isikuniversity.mrooms.net/ 👾

Academic Calendar

FALL SEMESTER

Orientation Days for Incoming Students 03/10/2022 - 07/10/2022

Course Registration 27/09/2022 - 30/09/2022

Fall Semester Classes Begin 03/10/2022

Final Exams 16/01/2023 - 29/01/2023

Deadline for application to Make-up Exam **30/01/2023**

Make-up Exam 06/02/2023 - 07/02/2023



SPRING SEMESTER

Orientation Days for Incoming Students 20/02/2023 - 24/02/2023

Course Registration 14/02/2023 - 17/02/2023

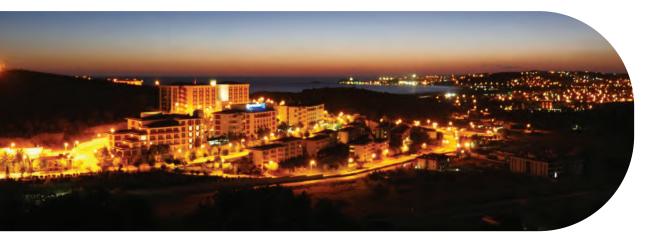
Spring Semester Classes Begin 20/02/2023

Final Exams 05/06/2023 - 18/06/2023

Deadline for application to Make-up Exam 19/06/2023

Make-up Exam 03/07/2023 - 04/07/2023

How to Extend Your Erasmus+ Programme at Işık University?



If you would like to extend your ERASMUS+ programme at Işık University you must apply for the extension of your ERASMUS+ Mobility to Işık University Erasmus+ and Global Exchange Office and to your home university's ERASMUS+ Office.

Please contact Erasmus+ office if you need further information;

international@isikun.edu.tr



If your extension request will be granted your home university will be contacted to you via e-mail to inform you regarding steps to follow.

At the same time you will need to complete a second Learning Agreement and get approval from your home university and Işık University Erasmus+ representatives.

ERASMUS+ and Global Exchange office of Işık University will assist you with the extension of your residence permit application and health insurance.

Accommodation

We offer on-campus housing for all international students in Sile Campus. The dormitories of Işık University have both sea-view and forest-view blocks with single and triple En Suite room alternatives at varying rates. International students have the priority for dorm placement.







- Fees are between \$750 \$2.250 (per year)
- Fees can be paid upon your arrival in cash or by credit card (up to 9/12 months installments).

For detailed information:



Check the useful links below for private dormitory, rental flats and flat requests:

www.erasmushouses.com www.sahibinden.com www.howtoistanbul.com www.flatsinistanbul.net (Turkish)

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www.istanbulkart.istanbul

IstanbulKart (Public Transportation Card)

You can purchase the İstanbulkart from the yellow vending machines located in every station of the subway, trams, metrobus, funiculars and some kiosks located near most stops of the public buses.

Application for IstanbulKart can be made in person or online. For further information please check the following link:

Required documents for discounted transportation card:

- Student Certificate (From E-Campus System)
- Original passport
- One photograph
- Card Fee (35 Turkish Lira)

Erasmus+ Office will assist you during the Orientation Programme in terms of applying for your IstanbulKart and will assign mentor students to help you out and obtain your discounted student card.

Shuttle Buses

Daily shuttles are operated between Şile and Maslak campuses and the city center. For detailed information please check the following link:

www.isikun.edu.tr/shuttle



Istanbul Transportation Map



For PDF version of Istanbul Railway Map

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Practical Information

Turkish Language course

If you are interested in learning Turkish you have the possibility to enroll free Turkish course in elementary level on Şile Campus.

E-Devlet Account

e-Devlet is a digital platform that provides access to governmental services. In order to open an e-Devlet account you have to complete the following steps:

- **Obtain Residence Permit**
- Acquire your assigned password from PTT
- Open the below link and register using the password

www.turkiye.gov.tr

Phone Registration

All students must register their phones up to 4 months of their arrival to Türkiye. Otherwise, their phones will get locked. You can complete the phone registration from your e-devlet account or at any tax office. In order to complete the phone registration you will need to pay a certain tax cost.

How to obtain HES (HAYAT EVE SIĞAR) Code

The HES code is a mandatory application by the Ministry of Health under coronavirus measures for you to travel safely domestically. Even if you travel by train, bus, plane or private vehicle, you need to get a HES code.

You can obtain a HES code by sending your passport details by SMS to 2023 in the following format: HES [space] Nationality (GBR) [space] passport number [space] year of birth [space] surname.

Practical Information

Opening A Bank Account

You can open a bank account after you receive your residence permit card. All banks, except Ziraat Bank, require residence permit (Foreigner's ID card). Your tax number would be sufficient for Ziraat Bank.

Required documents for opening a bank account:

- Valid Passport
- Valid residence permit
- 🛑 Tax number
- Proof of address, a recent utility bill, or rental contract

Useful Information

TIME ZONE : UTC/GMT + 2 hours CURRENCY : The country's official currency is the Turkish Lira. (₺) Türkiye's code : +90 Area codes are : 0212 for the European side, 0216 for the Asian side

Emergency Numbers

Emergency : 112 Police : 155 Fire : 110 Migration Management :157



Contact

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