

Life in Başkent University



BAŞKENT UNIVERSITY





The journey which led us to the establishment of Başkent University, has started with Turkish Transplant and Burns Treatment Foundation established in 1980, continued with the first dialysis center coming into operation on March 12, 1982. After the foundation of the first hospital on September 16, 1985, we have launched Başkent University in 1994, for the purposes of educating individuals who stands to Atatürk's principles, embrace the science as their guide, has a national consciousness, have an inquisitive, productive, analyzing and integrative frame of mind, and are respectful to human rights and the nature, creative and innovative.

Perseverance, self-sacrifice and confidence have led us to an impressive progress in a short period of time. Başkent University provides services through its employees and facilities according to "a week is 7 days, a day is 24 hours" principle which aim at offering a high quality of service.

Currently, Başkent University administers a Faculty of Medicine right along with ten other faculties such as Faculty of Commercial Sciences, Faculty of Communications, Faculty of Dentistry, Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Fine Arts, Design and Architecture, Faculty of Health Sciences and Faculty of Law, additionally a state conservatoire, seven institutes, six vocational high schools, two private high schools, two hotels for practical training, a TV Channel and a Radio Channel -that has a capacity to broadcast globally-, orchestra

and its health institutions and organizations all-around Turkey -that provides largest patient services in the country after the Ministry of Health.

The university welcomes the students with a vivid campus life, in which the construction of the buildings began in 1995 and became more dynamic with other facilities that have been added since then. Başkent University's technology and high tech medical equipments, significant and dynamic academic staff carried out Başkent University to a more successful higher education institution. All of our university's moral and material resources are being used in the direction of building problem-solving capacities regarding the prior problem areas of our country; which are health, education and communication.

I, on behalf of Başkent University family, would like to welcome you who have chosen to partake in this team and wish you good luck with your studies as well as with the new cultural experiences.

Mehmet A Haberal, MD, FACS
Founding and First President



In order to fulfill the needs of well-qualified universities in our country, our founding president Prof. Dr. Mehmet Haberal established Başkent University by mastering the process with a great vision in 30 years with full of devotion and difficulties. By founding Başkent University, Prof. Dr. Mehmet Haberal –who is at the pinnacle of achievement among the elite cadre of general surgeon in the world- has launched a great system for the purpose of serving his Country and his Nation; from our university's and its affiliates foundations to the present time.

Our students, who have an opportunity to learn through “practicing and living method” -which aims to make students to gain skills-, are able to learn more than one foreign language; can get art lessons, can improve their self-esteem through “student based practices”. Moreover they also have the privilege to receive education from nearly 1500 instructors who has the highest level of the international publication capacity. Beside the opportunities of having double major or minor programs; to promote the enrichment of teaching and research programs, Başkent University entered into collaborative projects and exchange programs with many universities abroad. Başkent University is the first university in Turkey, which is certified by an International Organization for Standardization –ISO- documentation.

Başkent University has a corporate structure with 9000 employees and nearly 10.000 students, has many distinctive and significant competencies

that differentiate it from the other universities. As our founding President pays a lot importance to the issue; although our university's language of instruction is in Turkish, all students have to pass an English qualification exam and our graduates have very good level of English as a professional. All activities -except banking and transportation- are being performed by the units within the capacity of our university, which allows receiving an integrated education, starting from kindergarten to the end of the Ph.D. education

As a leading University in quality through its systematic improvement structure; Başkent University contributes to the improvement of technological, socio-economical and cultural level of Turkish society, human health, dissemination of services. All of the academicians, employees and students of our university, has been inspired by Prof. Mehmet Haberal's great vision and carry on their activities by preserving and improving the level of "an internationally recognized university which has a high level of competition capacity", with their educational and research activities in line with the perception of the term, "Başkent Family".

Prof. Dr. Ali Haberal
President



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General Information on the National Higher Education System

The basic structure of the Turkish National Education system consists of four main stages, which are respectively pre-school education, primary education, secondary education and higher education

Pre-school education consists of non-compulsory programmes whereas primary education is a compulsory 8 year programme for all children beginning from the age of 6. The secondary education system includes “General High Schools” and “Vocational and Technical High Schools”.

Higher education is defined as all post-secondary programmes with duration of at least two years. The system consists of universities (state and foundation) and non-university institutions of higher education (police and military academies and colleges). Each university consists of faculties and four year schools offering Bachelor’s level programmes, where also short cycle (Associate’s) level programmes of a strictly vocational nature are offered by two-year vocational higher schools.

The higher education Law No. 2547 is the main law, which governs the higher education in Turkey. All universities (both state and foundation) are subject to the same law and regulations/rules. All state and foundation universities are founded by the Parliament.

Admission to higher education is based on a national examination, which is administrated by the Student Selection and Placement Center (ÖSYM). According to their scores, candidates gain access to both state and private universities in Turkey.

Graduate level of study consists of the Master’s Degree (Yüksek Lisans Diploması) and the PhD’s/Doctorate Degree (Doktora Diploması). There are two types of Master’s programmes; with or

without a thesis. The Master's programmes with a thesis consist of minimum 21 credits and the duration of programmes is two years. The seminar course and thesis are non-credit and graded on a pass / fail basis. On the other hand, non-thesis Master's programmes consist of minimum 10 courses and a non-credit semester project, minimum of 30 credits. The semester project is graded on a pass/fail basis. Duration of the non-thesis Master's programmes is one and a half year. Doctoral programmes have a duration of minimum four years, consisting of completion of courses, passing doctoral qualifying examination and preparing and defending a doctoral dissertation. Medical specialization programs are equivalent to doctoral level programmes and carries out within faculties of medical schools with hospitals.

The Higher Education System is regulated by the Council of Higher Education (Yüksek Öğretim Kurulu, YÖK). The Council, established in 1981, regulates the activities of higher education institutions with respect to research, governing, planning and organization.

Introduction to Başkent University

In response to Turkey's need for high quality institutions of higher education, the Organ Transplant and Burns Treatment Foundation, which has been in operation since 1980, decided to turn its existing complexes into a university. In 1993, with the aid of the Haberal Educational Foundation Prof. Dr. Mehmet HABERAL decided to establish the university and procedures were begun to establish Başkent University. In accordance with Article 3961 of the Legal Code, the University was officially founded on January 13, 1994. The main objective is to build an academic institution that will ultimately be a full-fledged and internationally prominent university. In the 1995-1996 academic years Başkent University moved to its new campus at Bağlıca, located 20 km west of the center of Ankara, on the main highway to Eskişehir. Although the language of education at Başkent University is Turkish, students have to pass English preparatory exam, as they are obliged to take compulsory occupational English courses during their education. Being a mandatory part of the curriculum, the English Language Department offers instruction in academic and occupational English. The aim

of the University is to educate a generation of young people who have incorporated into their lives cultural and historical values. The graduates, who completed their higher education under the light of university's high quality education objectives, not only become successful members of professional and business world but also are open to competition. On the other hand, they train up themselves as individuals who are sensitive to national and international issues on health, humanities, environment, industry, trade and technology. Currently, the university's enrollment includes 1143 associate students, 7160 undergraduate students and 408 graduate students. Bařkent University has also been awarded a Quality System Certificate and respectively our education principles are designed in accordance with these quality standards.

Bađlıca Campus

The campus, located 20 km west of the city center, on the main highway to Eskiřehir. It is built on 681 acres of land, 148 acres of which is used for construction purposes. Vocational, undergraduate and some graduate programs are running on the premises of Bađlıca Campus. To meet the expanding needs of the University, construction continues throughout years since the admission of first students. Apart from the buildings which house administrative offices, faculties, schools and vocational schools, there are dormitories, social facility buildings, centre amphitheatre, a sports center, indoor and outdoor tennis courts, football and athletics fields, food facilities and technical support units on campus.

Academic Units

Başkent University has 11 faculties, a state Conservatory, 6 Vocational Schools and 5 Post Graduate Institutes.

Faculties

1. Faculty of Commercial Sciences

- Department of Banking and Finance
- Department of Accounting and Financial Management
- Department of Insurance and Risk Management
- Department of Tourism and Hotel Management
- Department of International Trade
- Department of Management Information Systems

http://tbf.baskent.edu.tr/index_eng.htm

2. Faculty of Communications

- Communication Design
- Public Relations
- Radio Television and Cinema

<http://ilf.baskent.edu.tr/index.php/home-page>



3. Faculty of Dentistry

Başkent University, Faculty of Dentistry was founded in 1999. The dental clinic services had started for both in and outpatients in 1995. The outpatient clinics are located in a modern building in the Bahçelievler district of Ankara. A medico-social unit provides dental care for students in Bağlıca Campus. Our faculty has been administering postgraduate education and clinical service from that year on, and in 2006 has started undergraduate education with a 30 student quota. Education of dentistry is comprised of a total of 5 years where the first 3 years is consisted of preclinical courses, followed by 2 years of clinical training. Preclinical courses are comprised of basic medical sciences and dentistry courses apart from laboratory practice related to dentistry. Apart from their theoretical classes, 4th and 5th year students are trained in Prosthodontics, Periodontology, Pedodontics, Orthodontics, Restorative Treatment and Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial radiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery disciplines. Committed to the education of health professionals whose primary responsibility is the prevention of disease and maintenance of the oral health of the public, the Faculty of Dentistry offers four-semester postgraduate programs in Prosthodontics, Orthodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Periodontology, Pedodontics and Restorative Treatment and Endodontics disciplines through the Institute of Health Sciences. After completion of credits, postgraduate students are required to present a thesis project in their field. The programs lead to a Doctor



of Philosophy (PhD) degree. Besides providing students basic skills and knowledge essential for all dental disciplines, the programs aim to prepare students to apply their knowledge in creative ways when dealing with clinical dilemmas. Full time attendance is mandatory for postgraduate program.

4. Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences

- Economics
- Management
- Political science and International Relation
- Technology and knowledge management

<http://iibf.baskent.edu.tr/bolumler.php?ln=EN>

5. Faculty of Education

- Elementary Education
 - Early Childhood Education Program
 - Primary Education Program
 - Elementary Mathematics Education Program
- Foreign Language Education
 - English Language Education Program
- Department of Educational Sciences
 - Guidance And Psychological Counseling Program
- Secondary Education Science and Mathematics Education
 - Secondary Mathematics Education Program
- Secondary Education Social Fields Teaching Department
 - Turkish Language and Literature Education Program
- Turkish Language Education
 - Turkish Language Education Program

<http://egitim.baskent.edu.tr/english/index.php>

6. Faculty of Engineering

- Computer Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Elc. Electronics Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

<http://muh.baskent.edu.tr/>

7. Faculty of Fine Arts, Design and Architecture

- Department of Visual Arts and Design
- Department of Interior Architecture and Environmental Design
- Department of Fashion and Textile Design
- Department of Architecture

<http://gsf.baskent.edu.tr/eng/index.html>

8. Faculty of Health Sciences

- The Department of Nutrition and Dietetics
- The Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation
- The Department of Nursing and Health Services
- The Department of Health Care Management
- The Department of Sport Sciences
- The Department of Social Work



9. Faculty of Law

Although there is great demand to law schools in Turkey, enrollment in Faculty of Law is limited to 120 students in order to promote excellence in education and attract students of high quality.

<http://hukuk.baskent.edu.tr/indexeng.html>

10. Faculty of Medicine

The Faculty composed of three sections;

- Basic Medical Sciences
- Surgical Sciences
- Medical Sciences

Each section is made up of the departments and divisions as listed below;

- Education
- Training
- Research
- Health Service

<http://tip.baskent.edu.tr/english/>



11. Faculty of Science and Letters

- American Culture and Literature
- Psychology
- Statistics and Computer Science
- Turkish Language and Literature
- Sociology

<http://fef.baskent.edu.tr/fef/index.php?&lang=eng>

12. State Conservatory

- Department of Music
 - Composition and Music Theory
 - Orchestral and Choral Conducting
 - String Instruments
 - Wind and Percussion Instruments
 - Piano-Harp-Guitar
- Department of Performing Arts
 - Vocal in Opera and Choir
 - Vocal in Popular Music

<http://konservatuvar.baskent.edu.tr/?lang=en>





Vocational Schools

1. Vocational School of Health Sciences

The objective of Baskent University, Vocational School of Health Sciences is to educate and train qualified healthcare technicians in order to meet the demands of rapidly changing healthcare sector.

The vocational school offers nine different programs: Operating Room Services, Anesthesia, Dialysis, Physiotherapy, Pathology Laboratory Techniques, Medical Documentation and Secretarial Skills, Medical Imaging Techniques, Elderly Care. Based on modern approaches and up-to-date information, our programs are run by experienced lecturers in their fields. The common medical, behavior sciences and social sciences classes are offered along with program-specific lessons for each department. Before the clinical practice, our students have the opportunity to conduct experiments and carry out hands-on-lessons on dummies and simulators in well-equipped modern laboratories. The major practical trainings take place in the medical centers of Bařkent University under the supervision of their lecturers, taking students' individual preferences into account.

Our students are prepared to the demands and requirements of the medical sectors for which they will work through 30-day-long-training during the summer break of the first year and also via weekly practical 32-hour-long-trainings during the fourth academic term. Students can also be transferred to relevant the four-year-long BA programs in comply with the regulations.

- Operating Room Services Program
- Anesthesia Program
- Dialysis Program
- Physiotherapy Program
- First Aid and Emergency Care Program
- Pathology Laboratory Techniques Program
- Medical Documentation and Secretarial Skills Program
- Medical Imaging Techniques

2. Adana Vocational School of Health Sciences

- Anesthesia Program
- First Aid and Emergency Care Program
- Medical Imaging Techniques
- Physiotherapy Program

3. Konya Vocational School of Health Sciences

- Ambulance And Emergency Care Technician Program

4. Kazan Vocational School

The aim of the Kazan Vocational School is to train professional business people who can meet the needs of the business sector. The School offers a two-year associate degree program. Scholarships are granted on the basis of the Student Selection Examination grades and scholastic performance.

Common features of the curriculum are summer programs linked with on-the-job training, second language education commensurate with the requirements of students' chosen professions, and programs equipping students for their areas of specialization. All programs are designed to allow students to proceed to a bachelor's degree.

- Business management program
- Foreign trade program
- Logistics program
- Mechatronics program

<http://kmyo.baskent.edu.tr/index.php/en/>

5. Vocational School of Social Science

The aim of the Vocational School of Social Sciences is to train professional business people who can meet the needs of the business sector. The School offers a two-year associate degree program. Scholarships are granted on the basis of the Student Selection Examination grades and scholastic performance.

Common features of the curriculum are summer programs linked with on-the-job training, second language education commensurate with the requirements of students' chosen professions, and

programs equipping students for their areas of specialization. All programs are designed to allow students to proceed to a bachelor's degree. Vocational programs in Tourism & Hotel Services, Office Management & Executive Assistance Program and Tour Guidance have been offered since 1995. Tourism & Travel Services Program, Accounting & Tax Applications Program, Radio & Television Programming, Photography & Videography programs have been offered since 2008. The school offers a dynamic staff, small classes, well-equipped laboratories, a practice restaurant and two training hotels.

- Office Management and Executive Assistanship Program
- Tourism and Hotel Management Program
- Radio and Television Programming Program
- Accounting and Taxation Program
- Tourism and Travel Sevices Program
- Photography and Camera Operation Program

<http://vocational-school-of-social-scie.webnode.com.tr>

6. Vocational School of Tecnology

- Biomedical and Technology
- Graduate Institutes



Graduate Institutes

1. Institute of Educational Sciences

- Master In Computer Education And Instructional Technology
- Master Program Of Educational Administration And Supervision With Thesis
- Master Program Of Educational Administration And Supervision Without Thesis
- Master's Program In English Language Teaching Requiring A Thesis
- Master's Program In Elementary School Mathematics Education Requiring Thesis
- Graduate Program Of Preschool Education With Thesis
- Master's Programs Requiring A Thesis In Turkish Language Teaching

<http://egbilens.baskent.edu.tr/english.html>

2. Institute of EU Studies and International Relations

- Master in European Union (With Thesis / Without Thesis)
- Master in International Relations (With Thesis / Without Thesis)

<http://abu.baskent.edu.tr/en/index.htm>

3. Institute of Health Sciences

- Master In Public Health Sciences With Thesis
- Master In Public Health (Without Thesis)
- Master In Physical Therapy And Rehabilitation With Thesis
- Exercise And Sportive Performance (Without Thesis)
- Nursing, Master Degree Program With Thesis
- Exercise And Sportive Performance
- Master In Medical Biology With Thesis
- Audiology And Speech-Voice Disorders
- Nutrition And Dietetic Master Degree Program
- Master In Anatomy
- Master In Pharmacology With Thesis

PHD PROGRAMS

- Nutrition And Dietetics Doctorate Programme
- Phd In Pharmacology
- Medical Biology Phd Program

- Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery
- Phd In Endodontics
- Phd In Orthodontics
- Phd In Pediatric Dentists
- Phd In Periodontology
- Phd In Prosthodontics
- Phd In Public Health

<http://sabe.baskent.edu.tr/engindex.htm>

4. Institute of Science and Engineering

- Electrical and Electronics Engineering / Master of Science (with Thesis) program
- Electrical and Electronics Engineering / Doctor of Philosophy program
- Computer Engineering / Master of Science (with and without Thesis) program
- Industrial Engineering / Master of Science (With Thesis) program
- Industrial Engineering /Phd Program
- Engineering And Technology Manegement / Master Of Science (With Thesis) Pogram
- Mechanical Engineering Master Of Science Program With Thesis
- Mechanical Engineering Master Of Science Program Without Thesis
- Mechanical Engineering Phd Program
- Biomedical Engineering Master Of Science Program With Thesis
- Quality Engineering Master Of Science Program With Thesis
- Quality Engineering Master Of iProgram Without Thesis
- Statistics And Computer Science Information Technology And System Management Master Of Science Program With Thesis
- Statistics And Computer Science Information Technology And System Management Master Of Science Program Without Thesis
- Energy Engineering Master Of Science Program With Thesis
- Energy Engineering Master Of Science Program Without Thesis

http://fbe.baskent.edu.tr/index_eng/index_eng.html

5. Institute of Social Sciences

- Master programmes with thesis
- American Culture and Literature
- Banking and Finance

- Public Relations and Publicity
- Civil Law
- Public Law
- Interior Architecture and Environmental design
- Human Resource Management
- Economy
- Business Administration
- Accounting and Finance
- Museology
- Health Care Management
- Composition
- Social Work
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Master programmes without thesis
- American Culture and Literature
- Banking and Finance
- Public Relations and Publicity
- Museology
- Economy Law
- Interior Architecture and Environmental design
- Human Resource Management
- Economy
- Business Administration
- Accounting and Finance
- Insurance and Risk Management
- Health Care Management
- Musicology
- Performance
- Social Work
- Phd Programmes
- Management Organization
- Accounting and Finance

English Language Department

The University aims to educate dynamic and successful researchers and business people who have access to science and business resources worldwide. In respect to this mission, one of the main objectives of the English Language Department is to ensure that graduates of all academic and vocational programs are equipped with English language skills, which actually will enable them to follow the literature in their fields of study and communicate effectively both in written and spoken English. The Department offers both Intensive English Programs and English for Specific Purposes (ESP) courses applicable to each academic or vocational program.

The English Language Department seizes on the notion that the most successful English language teaching strategy is to make students share responsibility in the teaching / learning process and develop independent study habits. Therefore, the Department offers students a variety of self-access facilities, consisting of a Self-Access Study Center, a Multimedia Language Laboratory and a Video Room. These facilities help students improve their reading, writing and listening skills and evaluate themselves independently and objectively.

<http://www.baskent.edu.tr/english/english.php>

Exchange Programs in Başkent University

As one of its main objectives, Başkent University has aimed establishing national and international links and working in cooperation with other universities and institutions since its foundation in 1994.

With regard to its qualification, Başkent University was awarded Extended Erasmus University Charter in 2007, with which the University find the opportunity to participate in the European Union Youth and Education Programmes that will continue till the end of 2013.

Başkent University has also taken the right to participate in the European Union Lifelong Learning Programs (LLP) which includes Student Mobility (SM), Student Placement, Teaching Staff Mobility (TS), Staff Training Mobility (ST), Organization of Mobility (OM), Thematic Networks (TN), European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), Intensive Programs (IP) and Curriculum Development (CD) with those

universities that have obtained Extended Erasmus University Charter. Exchange programs are coordinated through bilateral agreements made with several major universities in U.S.A and Europe. LLP-Erasmus Program offers students several advantages such as; no tuition will be asked and credits and grades can be easily transferred to the home university.

International Relations Coordination Office

The International Relations Coordination Office is in charge of the implementation of European and trans-national university agreements and projects. It promotes the mobility of students within the framework of European Union Lifelong Learning Program.

International Relations Coordination Office's duties are:

- To introduce European Union Lifelong Learning program
- To organize informative conferences about these programs
- Coordination of student exchange programs
- Giving service as a consultant to the administration and to the service departments
- Guidance for international students
- Preparation of documents in English for Başkent University's presentation abroad
- Establishing links with other internationally recognized universities abroad
- Keeping records of Başkent University's international academic activities
- Keeping agreements signed by Başkent University and partner universities
- Dissemination of academic projects related with EU within the framework of Turkey's integration activities to European Union

Başkent University International Relations Coordination Office is located on the 3rd floor of the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences on Bağlıca Campus. The office is open Monday through Friday from 09:00 to 17:00.

Library

Başkent University Library is an important center for education and research which provides necessary information and sources for its users.

The library space consists of 3 different rooms: the Serials Room, the Reading Room, and the Reference Room. The library can handle approximately 367 people at the same time.

The library network works on Bliss-Unix Automation System which can serve 30 user at the same time. The automation system holds a database of all the library material. Users may search the material by entering keywords and then reach the material of their choice. (Classified by subject)

Also the circulation process is realized by computer system. The system produces automatic reports for late turn-arounds.

The library uses the Library of Congress Classification System except for books on medicine which are classified by the National Library of Medicine's Classification System. For the cataloguing process, the library uses Anglo American Cataloguing Rules 2.

<http://lib.baskent.edu.tr/english/>

Various Centers

- 1. Institute of Burn, Fire and National Disasters**
- 2. Institute of Transplantation and Genetic Sciences**
- 3. Computer Center**

The aim of the Computer Center is to make our students as well as the academic and administrative staff benefit from all the advantages of computer technology. The center provides a high quality service to the health, academic, research and management units of the university, using gigabyte Ethernet technology. Students can work on projects and

other academic work in the computer labs, which are open between 09:00 a.m. and 09:00 p.m. everyday.

The center has 13 computer labs and 1 multimedia lab, each of which is equipped with 30 personal computers and audiovisual aids. All computers are connected to the internet through Mbit speed via Ulaknet. At Bağlica Campus, the internet, e-mail, online research and other electronic educational-instructional services are provided by 11 servers. Student's academic records are processed and held electronically. The Hospital Information Management System works through the Wide Area Network (WAN), which connects the hospitals in Ankara, Alanya, Adana Konya, İzmir and İstanbul.

The set up computer system provides round-the-clock support to 1000 users through 552 work stations. Medical doctors, who take place within the structure of Başkent University, have access to current medical databases. In addition, software and hardware support services are available for educational and seminar activities.

<http://fbe.baskent.edu.tr/english/cc.php>

4. Center for Language Studies

The function of the center is to provide Turkish courses which are compulsory in all undergraduate programs of the university. The center aims not only to develop Turkish Language Skills of students and to teach Turkish language to foreign students, but also to teach the world's leading languages like French, German, Russian, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese and Arabic as well as the less widely spoken tongues such as Armenia. In addition, teaching Turkish dialects of Uzbek, Kazakh, Kirghiz, Turcoman and Tartar takes place within the scopes of the center. The center currently offers courses in Arabic, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian and Japanese other than Turkish. The center jointly undertakes training, education, research and publication in language teaching with various Turkish Institutions as well as with foreign organizations.

5. Center for Turkish Revolution History and Atatürk's Principles

The center plans and runs compulsory courses on Atatürk's principles and the history of the Turkish Republic. The center aims to conduct





research projects on the history of Turkish revolution and Atatürk's principles and to inform students as well as university staff about the results of this research by means of conferences, symposiums and panels.

6. Prof. Dr. Mithat Çoruh Quality Management Center

The advantages of Quality Management in fields of industry, services, health and education are acknowledged in many countries. Consequently, applications of Quality Management are increasing rapidly. Başkent University carried out the Quality Management firstly in Başkent University Ankara Hospital. Encouraged by the results, the University extended this to other faculties during 1994-1995 academic year. Through the University Senate ruling, made on 10 November 1995 (rule No. 22), a Quality Management Center was established, consisting of an Executive Board and an Advisory Committee. The Executive Board meets every academic semester to review the current situation and take decisions pertaining to future projects. With the Quality Management training given to 26 staff members of Başkent University Ankara Hospital, team efforts to improve quality have started. Monthly reports are submitted to the QM Center for assessments. The Center regards the factors of patient satisfaction, the level of theoretical and practical knowledge informing professional services and the prominence of modern technology in medical facilities and equipment as parts of an organic whole. Başkent University, which currently operates associate, undergraduate and graduate degree programs, gathered and statistically assess the data (such as the number of students enrolled in each program, the scores that candidates received in Students Selection Examination, the list on which candidates state their choice of departments they would like to study in order of preference), in order to build a database. During the academic semester, student performances in each course are analyzed. Based on the results of which; strategies to improve the academic performances of students are developed. The center runs one-week orientation courses for new lecturers on applying Quality Management in education. The center also organizes one-week seminars on philosophy, techniques and principles of Quality Management besides the OM Center not only held symposiums, but

also provides supervision to undergraduate and graduate students as well as to groups from various professions.

7. Psychological Counseling and Guidance Center

The purpose of Psychological Counseling and Guidance Center is to help students to mobilize their resources and to solve their personal, social and academic problems. Enhancing them to be independent individuals, having high emotional intellectual social skills, also takes place within the purposes of it. The specific services offered by the center include individual counseling, group counseling and workshops.

8. Human Resources and Career Planning Center

The center assists students in taking well-advised decisions in planning their future careers.

- Activities that take place in the center include:
- Taking part in student orientation programs
- Conducting a detailed statistical survey on graduates
- Organizing series of Career Days
- Establishing links between graduates
- Preparing CV catalogs
- Assisting students in finding a company to do their summer apprenticeship.

9. Center For Strategic Research

The Başkent University Center for Strategic Research Studies (Stratejik Araştırmalar Merkezi - SAM) was established to conduct academic research on international studies and regional studies. The main task of the center is to carry out strategic studies in various political, economic and cultural fields.

Furthermore the research activities, SAM carries out its duties as a platform for debate for citizens and foreigners active in the area of international and foreign policy issues. This function is fulfilled by hosting and organizing conferences, panels and discussions for exchange of views. The seminars, panels and projects are assessed and subsequently submitted as recommendations or proposals to policy makers.





Other Units

AÇKAR Dairy Products Company

Açkar Dairy Products Company is one of the Başkent University foundations, the facility of which has been completed in 4 months and the factory had officially been opened and began to operate in 24 December 2005. The factory employs 30 employees, the production capacity of which is 30 tones / day. Products which are in the process of manufacturing are; pasteurized milk, cheese (yellow cheese, white cheese), yogurt, ayran and butter. The microbiology and chemistry factories that take place within the factory enable to produce high-quality products under hygienic and safe conditions due to the European Union Food Standards and also none of the products contains food activities. All raw materials and products are analyzed and tested physically, chemically and microbiologically.

ALAF

Alaf Clothing Manufacturing Company.

One of Başkent's University Company Organizations.

Alaf Clothing Manufacturing Company was set up to produce work clothing for more than ten thousand employees working at the organizations of Başkent University. Today, it has surpassed its objective and has reached a very high production capacity. As a result, it has become one of the most outstanding organizations within the sector with its dynamic and strong structure.

In line with our customers' needs and requests, our marketing department, located in Ankara, has been serving in a wide scale consisting of industrial, security, tourism, hotel and hospital wear and home textiles.

Alaf Clothing Manufacturing Company, with its production and service network nationwide, has always been in the first rank in the competition of delivery and quality.

"Quality" One of our fundamental principles...

With special production planning, every step of production is followed by a computerized system and with "quality safety system";

quality and appropriate cost balance are provided at maximum level within the body of Alaf Clothing Manufacturing Company. Following the most recent technological developments, adapting the latest models and fabric varieties to its production line, Alaf Clothing Manufacturing Company has full belief in creating long-term business cooperation based on trust through quality control.

Schools

Primary and Secondary Schools:

- Ayşeabla Schools

<http://www.baskent.edu.tr/english/okulaa.php>

- Adana Başkent Schools

<http://www.baskent.edu.tr/english/okulaa.php>

Hotels

- Patalya Thermal Resort Hotel

<http://www.patalyahotel.com.tr/en/index.html>

- Patalya Lakeside Resort Hotel

<http://www.patalyalakeside.com.tr>

Hospitals

- Başkent University Ankara Hospital
- Ayaş Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Center
- Yapracık Geriatric and Psychosocial Rehabilitation Center
- Başkent University Adana Medical and Research Center
- Başkent University İzmir Zübeyde Hanım Medical and Research Center
- Başkent University Alanya Medical and Research Center
- Başkent University Konya Medical and Research Center
- Başkent University İstanbul Medical and Research Center
- Başkent University Ümitköy Clinic for out-patients

Dialysis Centers

- Başkent University Elmalık (Yalova) Dialysis Center
- Başkent University İskenderun Dialysis Center
- Başkent University İstanbul Dialysis Center
- Başkent University Şanlıurfa Dialysis Center
- Başkent University Tokat Zile Dialysis Center
- Başkent University Yenikent Dialysis Center

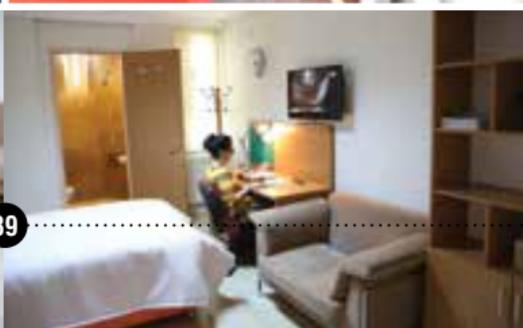




Life in *Başkent University*

Student Dormitories

Built in 1996, our dormitories aim to provide our students with accommodation, nutrition, opportunity to study in a healthy, safe and clean environment and to support them to adapt to the conditions of communal living and thus to contribute to their success. Our University Dormitory which consists of 3 interconnected residence halls has 474 bed capacity with its standard double and single rooms as well as exclusive single and double rooms. The standard rooms are furnished with carpets while the exclusive rooms have wooden floorboard. All rooms have a bathroom with washbasin, toilet and 24-hour hot water. There is a bed, wardrobe, bookcase, desk and chair to study in the standard rooms. The exclusive rooms additionally have a TV set, an armchair and a mini fridge. Each building has telephones on every floor that can be reached when there is an external call announcement. Dormitory buildings and rooms are cleaned daily. Bedsheets which are provided by the dorm administration are changed once every two weeks. All rooms have limitless wi-fi connection. Male and female dormitory staff and security personnel work in 24-hour shifts. There is a Study Hall which is 24-hour available. Dormitories are located on campus, and transportation to city center is provided free of charge by the university shuttle buses. The latest entry times to the dorms are 12 a.m. on weekdays and 1.30 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and official holidays respectively. Within the dormitory complex, a table d'hôte for choice dining, an ATM, a TV lounge, card phones, a market, a billiards room, an a la carte café, a barber and a hairdresser, a chess hall (under the supervision of a chess instructor), an internet café, a laundry room (with sufficient number of washing machines, dryers and irons) are available.



Again, in the dormitory area, there are a Sports Center and other facilities available for students' use. On Campus, there is a post office, a bank office and a variety of dining locations for students to eat and refresh.

Food Facilities

Başkent University Bağlıca Campus has a variety of catering facilities offering food at competitive prices. Including Cafeterias and Restaurants are both in the main buildings and in the dormitory complex.

In English Language Department; a cafeteria with a capacity of 500 people and a canteen, in Faculty of Medicine; a cafeteria with 700 capacity and a canteen, in Social Facility Building; a restaurant for 300 people, a fast food cafeteria for 250 people and a pastry shop with 50 capacity, in Student Club House; a canteen and a cafeteria for 500 people furnish food service.

Transportation

Transportation services are given in every hour starting from 07:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on weekdays and until 01:00 a.m. on the weekends, between the city and the campus.

Social and Cultural Activities

The campus life of Başkent University became animated with the commencement of education in 1995. Within the dynamic Campus life, which actually promotes an ideal atmosphere designed to meet student's needs, departmental academic activities such as lectures, conferences, symposia and seminars are organized and hosted by the University. Not only the social and cultural events, but also sports facilities and guidance activities take place within the duty list of the Social and Cultural Activities Office. Due to the location of campus, outdoor facilities such as walking, jogging and training in natural environment are presented in addition to other sport activities like; volleyball, basketball, table tennis, billiards, chess, handball and outdoor soccer. Outdoor tennis courts, basketball and football fields and fully equipped sports center are located

to practice the above mentioned activities. Training courses in aerobics and conditioning are also offered within the framework of these facilities.

Başkent University Sports Center carries out the following activities in order to enable our students to maintain and improve their physical health by practicing several kinds of sports activities that they are interested in.

The Courses Offered:

- Aerobics, Step
- Tennis
- Wing T-sun
- Yoga
- Capoeira
- Aikido

Tournaments Organized:

- The Billiard Tournament
- Table Tennis Tournament
- Chess Tournament
- 3 + 1 Volleyball Tournament
- 5 x 5 Basketball Tournament
- Soccer Tournament

Cultural Services

The unit aims to equip students with leisure activities and help them in acquiring new recreational habits. There are 44 students groups, out of which 24 are set up for vocational and 20 for social purposes. All Student Groups of Başkent University are formed in compliance with the Regulations.

Courses

- Turkish Folk Music Chorus
- Turkish Classical Music Chorus
- Wood Painting Course
- Bağlama Course
- Guitar Course
- Photography Course





Socially Groups

- The Society of Atatürk's Thoughts
- European Youth and Education Group
- Science Fiction, Fantasy and RPG Group
- Literature Group
- Photography Group
- Journalism Group
- Excursion Group
- Guitar and Music Group
- Folk Dances Group
- Camping and Nature Sports Group
- Radio Group
- Painting Group
- Rock Culture Group
- Performing Arts Group
- Chess Group
- Cinema Group
- Underwater Group
- Poetry Group
- History Group
- Modern Life Group
- Go Group
- Motors' Sports Group
- Aviation Group

Vocational Groups

- Computer Group
- Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Group
- Law Group
- Electrical and Electronics Group
- Economics Student Group
- Communication Group
- Statistics and Computer Sciences Group
- Business Administration Students Group
- Media Group
- Health Group
- Political Science and International Relations Group

- Sports Sciences and Recreation Group
- Tourism Management Group
- Tourism Student Group
- Turkish Music
- Applied Sciences Group
- Productivity Group
- Creative Drawing Group
- Dietetics and Nutrition Group
- Education Group







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