Koç University is a private non-profit comprehensive research university that offers a world class educational experience in Istanbul, Turkey. Today, it is the highest ranking university in Turkey based on Times Higher Education rankings 2018. (Top 250 university for Science and Technology and top 150 university for Social Sciences)

In the twenty five years since its establishment, Koç University contributes to the elevation of knowledge and service both in Turkey and around the world through 22 undergraduate, 29 graduate and 30 PhD programs.

- English taught programs (with exception of Nursing and some Law courses)
- Small class sizes and low student-faculty ratio (15:4) for creative, supportive and participatory learning
- Double majors, minors and track program opportunities
- Liberal arts education that equips students from all disciplines with the essential principles of the human sciences and promotes appreciation for the connection of knowledge across fields.
- Faculty members that are internationally renowned, with high publication citation impact rate and numerous international and national research grants. Most faculty members have prior teaching experience in Ivy League universities in the USA and Europe.
- Classmates are Turkey’s most talented and accomplished students.
- Study abroad semesters with scholarships at 250+ globally ranked university partners in the US, Europe and Asia
- International campus life with international students and faculty members from 50 countries, prestigious guests from academia and industry and many other international exposure opportunities
- Beautiful campus with all facilities including dormitories, swimming pools, fitness center, skating rink, 24/7 library, health center, supermarket, bank, post office, hairdressers and more.
- Lively campus life with 90 active student clubs and divers social and cultural activities every week.
- 80% of our undergraduate alumni receive job offers within 3 months of graduation thanks to our full career support services, internships, summer programs and alumni employment networks.
- Alumni pursuing Masters’ degrees after graduation are placed in top 100 ranked universities worldwide.
- Research opportunities with world-class faculty with state of the art facilities in our 132 laboratories, 20 research centers, 5 research and education forums, 1 support center.

Achieve your best at Koç University! We believe that only you can change the world. You are a true citizen of the world with an international mindset; creating and producing knowledge with high human values and a sense of responsibility, you question everything and do not commit to anything but your ideals and your mind!

Discover Koç University

Doing your undergraduate degree at Koç University means,
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Academic Programs

College of Sciences
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Molecular Biology and Genetics

College of Engineering
- Chemical and Biological Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical and Electronics Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

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College of Administrative Sciences & Economics
- International Relations
- Economics
- Business Administration

case.ku.edu.tr/en
- 4 year programs in English
- Ranked by QS among the top 200 for Politics and International Relations
- 64 Full-time faculty members
- 1907 undergraduate students
- Only institution in Turkey with EQUIS accreditation and first partner program in Turkey for CPA (Chartered Financial Analyst) Program in Europe, Middle East and Africa.
- 60% of graduates who pursue a business career receive job offers at the time of their graduation.
- 1/3 of graduates pursue an academic career in top universities in the US and Europe.

Co-curricular
- 1/3 of students participate in international programs.

Research
- 2 Research Centers
- Member of CEMS Global Alliance for Management Education.

College of Social Sciences and Humanities
- Archeology and History of Art
- English Language & Comparative Literature
- History
- Philosophy
- Sociology
- Media and Visual Arts

cssh.ku.edu.tr/en
- 4 year programs in English
- Ranked by Times Higher Education among the top 150 for Social Sciences
- 67 full-time faculty members
- 936 undergraduate students (including double major students)
- Offers Academic Writing Program, Foreign Languages, Music and Performing Arts and Turkish Communication Skills

Research and engagement
- 13 Research Centers including the Migration Research Center (MireKoç).
- Cooperation with NGOs and governmental institutions to support social responsibility and development worldwide.

School of Law
- Law

law.ku.edu.tr/en
- 4 year program with 30% of the total courses offered with international content lectured in English.
- 15 full-time Faculty members that includes prominent lawyers, who shape legal practice
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- Only institution in Turkey of the Law Schools Global League (LSGL)
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Co-curricular
- National and international projects and work-study positions and programs based on innovative learning awards, case-law groups, certificate programs, and summer schools.
- Law students publish the law journal JUSTITIA
- Study travels to International Court of Justice, European Court of Human Rights, European Council, European Union Commission, European Union Court of Justice
- Annual "Career Days" event for legal recruiters and showcase final year projects.

Research and engagement
- 2 Research centers on International Business Law and Global Public Law
- 40 research events every year
- Only member in Turkey of the Law Schools Global League (LSGL)

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**School of Medicine**
- [medicine.ku.edu.tr](http://medicine.ku.edu.tr)  
  - 6 year program taught in English leading to an MD degree  
  - Students are trained to take the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE).  
  - Turkish language proficiency should be achieved by the 4th year to work with patients  
  - 96 faculty members who are leaders in their clinical and research fields  
  - The program accepts 40 students per year.  
  - The hospital is located in central Istanbul and has: 400 in-patient rooms, 14 operating rooms, interventional and imaging facilities, 77 intensive care units and separate emergency services for adults and children. There is also a radiotherapy center with particular focus on oncology, cancer, genetics and infectious diseases.  
  - Students are encouraged to participate in research in various laboratories and clinics of the University.  
  
  **Curriculum:**  
  - 1st year – courses and seminars related to medicine as well as the core education program of the University.  
  - 2nd and 3rd year - basic medical courses, preliminary clinical medicine courses and basic-clinical bridge topics  
  - 4th and 5th year - diagnosis and treatment of diseases through the internship training program  
  - 6th year – as pre-graduate interns, students undertake care of patients  

**College of Nursing**  
- [nursing.ku.edu.tr](http://nursing.ku.edu.tr)  
  - 4 year program leading to a Bachelor of Sciences degree in Nursing taught in Turkish  
  - 14 full time faculty members who are renowned experts in their field of study  
  - First in Turkey to be accredited by ACEN (Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing)  
  - Graduates have the opportunity to work in professional environments in foreign countries as well as in Turkey and they can also continue their graduate studies in leading universities in Turkey or abroad.  
  
  **Curriculum**  
  - Evidence-based teaching focused on health promotion, disease prevention, community development, and high-quality acute care competencies.  
  
  **Research**  
  - State-of-the art science laboratories, a computer laboratory, a Nursing Skills laboratory, and a well-equipped health sciences library with unlimited internet access and electronic library resources.

"Koç University is a small enough university where you can personally make a difference. Beyond that, being in one of the most vibrant and populous cities but also living in a small community in the middle of the forest was an invaluable opportunity”

Aycan Merve Çiplak  
Koç University Graduate, BA in Psychology

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Studying at Koç University

Academic Calendar
The academic year at Koç University is divided into 3 semesters: Fall, Spring and Summer Semester.

- **Fall Semester**: late September to middle of January. Two weeks of semester break after the final exams.
- **Spring Semester**: early February to end of May with a one-week spring break.
- **Summer Semester**: early July to early August. Between 5-7 weeks in total.

Course Planning
KU students usually take five courses per semester (for an average of 15 KU credits which is equal to 30 ECTS credits). Courses are selected on our online platform KUSIS.

Assessment System
Students are assessed by examination or coursework, which is set by the instructor of the course.

International Student Visa
Students can usually enter Turkey with a multiple entry tourist (ordinary) visa or a valid passport – please check your country’s eligibility. All students are obliged, by law, to apply for and obtain a residence permit in Turkey after arrival if their visa length does not cover the total duration of their studies in Turkey. A residence permit will be valid for the duration of their studies (4-5 years) and will include enough time for a timely departure.

Orientation Week
An exciting social and cultural orientation week, featuring numerous outdoor and indoor activities, enriches the academic framework. Orientation starts before classes begin. During orientation, there will be a campus tour and other activities to familiarize students with the Koç University community. Administrative processes, such as course registration, will also take place during orientation.

Local Friends Program
A peer to peer culture exchange and awareness program meant for domestic and international students and post-doc researchers. The program is open for anyone who is willing to make new friendships across cultures and languages. Through local friends program, internationals will have a chance to practice daily Turkish with their matches, learn about Turkish culture like a local and make memories from their time in Turkey.

Conversation Circles
This program aims to improve international and local student’s speaking and comprehension skills in English and other foreign languages. You can volunteer to help others learn your native language or improve your Turkish language skills.

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The only thing I was sure of when I graduated from high school was that I wanted to study molecular biology and genetics in order to satisfy my passion about understanding the universe. My family wanted me to become a doctor. I, in a way, fulfilled both their dream and mine by studying at Koç University.

Derya Kabacaoğlu,
Molecular Biology and Genetics, 2008

Dormitories
60% of Koç University students choose to live on campus and many of them remain on campus through graduation.

- Single, Double, Triple and Quadruple rooms, with or without own bathroom, are available.
- Wireless Internet Access and phone-services are available in each room.
- Refrigerator, bed, closet, desk, chair, bed stand, light, pillow and blanket.
- Weekly housekeeping services.
- Free of charge laundry rooms, kitchens with TV, study rooms with laptops and printer.

Cost per academic year (2 semesters) varies between 8.100 TL to 21.900 TL according to the choice of room (approximately 2.100 - 5.600 USD)

Health Insurance
As per immigration laws in Turkey, it is mandatory for all students to hold valid health insurance covering the total duration of their studies at Koç University.

Cost of Living

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<th>Estimated student budget per month*</th>
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<td>Food</td>
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<td>Accommodation</td>
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<td>Books and course materials</td>
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<td>Phone/internet</td>
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<td>Local travel</td>
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<td><strong>Total sum</strong></td>
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Approximately 670 USD per month

*As reported by Koç University students.
Admission intake
for undergraduate programs:
Fall every year

Application Deadline:
Early deadline: January 5, 2018
Regular deadline: July 2, 2018

Eligible exam or diploma minimum results

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<td>SAT II</td>
<td>1180 out of 1600</td>
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<td>ACT</td>
<td>21 out of 36</td>
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<td>IB</td>
<td>28 out of 45</td>
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<td>GCSE / IGCSE</td>
<td>2 A-Levels with A grades</td>
<td>3 A-Levels with A grades</td>
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<td>French Baccalaureate</td>
<td>12 out of 20</td>
<td>17 out of 20</td>
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<td>ABITUR</td>
<td>1-4 grade</td>
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<td>Matura</td>
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You can apply with your national diploma grades too; however, without one of the standard test scores outlined above, admission chances are lower.

All the following documents are required to seek admission to our undergraduate programs:

• Valid exam results and,
• English proficiency exam score: TOEFL IBT – min. 80 (equivalent to IELTS 6.5)
• High School Diploma (translated to English or Turkish)
• Transcripts (translated to English or Turkish)
• Personal Essay (in English)
• 2 Recommendation letters (in English or Turkish)
• Non-refundable application fee of 150 TL (paid via bank wire transfer)

“At Koç University, students are encouraged to approach issues from an innovative perspective, and are actively involved in research. Courses are structured to improve thinking in an interdisciplinary manner and working collaboratively. In social terms, Koç University encourages individuality and self-confidence.”

İrem Gürdal,
Mechanical & Industrial Engineering

How to apply

Students who wish to apply as “International Students” must hold the nationality of a country other than Turkey (stateless citizens and refugees can also apply).

Applicants must have successfully completed secondary education in Turkey or at a school equivalent to that of a Turkish high school or they must currently be in the last year of secondary education.

Koç University only accepts applications made on our online application system.

International students can apply directly to undergraduate programs offered at Koç University OR be admitted into our English Language Center (ELC) preparatory year.

Since English is the language of instruction at Koç University, it is essential that you demonstrate competence in English.

Admission process

Step 1: prepare all the required documents including payment of the application fee

Step 2: complete the online application form before the deadline

Step 3: applications are evaluated by a Special Committee and interviews may be arranged with the candidate via e-mail or telephone if necessary.

Step 4: wait to know your admission results from our Registrar’s Office between 6-8 weeks after you submitted your online application form. If you receive an admission offer from our Registrar’s office you can confirm your acceptance by email and by paying the tuition deposit.

Step 5: come enroll in September with all required documents. You will receive all details by email of what to prepare before arrival, how to apply for your visa and other procedures (dormitory reservation, tuition payment, residence permit and others)
I can walk into my professor’s office anytime I want because they have an open door policy and they are very helpful. I also like that I can join seminars which interest me and are beneficial to me, as well as some club activities. There are so many clubs on the campus that are always active!

Rawia Hassan Shaheen
Business Administration

Tuition and Scholarships

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<td>Engineering</td>
<td>63,400 Turkish Lira</td>
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<td>Medicine</td>
<td>87,600 Turkish Lira</td>
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International Transfers

Available to a limited number of applicants from other accredited colleges and universities in Turkey or abroad.

Only those students who have excellent academic records, no failing grades and particularly compelling educational reasons for seeking transfer should apply.

Students should:
- have completed at least two semesters and maximum five semesters in their academic program
- have a GPA of 2.40 or higher out of 4
- English proficiency and,
- fulfill other requirements of the program, if any.

More details: http://registrar.ku.edu.tr/en

Short Term and Summer Programs

Summer Academy

High school students experience university life, improve their academic skills, gain experience in different academic areas before their university entrance exam, and make new friends through social activities! All courses are based on courses offered to undergraduate students, but adapted in content and duration by the faculty members.

highschool-summer.ku.edu.tr/en

Pre-College Program

High school students take undergraduate courses in the same classroom along with Koç University undergraduate students. Participate in courses taught by Koç University faculty members and instructors and build your future plans by experiencing university life in a multicultural environment, broaden your views on different academic programs.

highschool-summer.ku.edu.tr

KU High School and Undergraduate Summer Research Program

A unique opportunity for high school and undergraduate students from different countries to improve their research skills. Gain experience in a research lab or project and decide if a specific discipline is for you. Free of cost and with free dormitory accommodation for 1-2 months in July and August every year.

vprd.ku.edu.tr/kusrp/home

Summer Exchange At Koç University

The program aims to create a rewarding summer experience for students from both partner and non-partner universities.

It combines high-quality courses and the opportunity to participate in local activities that enables students to gain insight into Turkish culture in Istanbul.

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Why Istanbul?

Istanbul has traditionally been a popular study abroad destination. With 15 million inhabitants, hip, fast-paced Istanbul is one of the world’s largest cities and the only one to span two continents. It is surrounded by the waters of the Bosphorus Strait and the Sea of Marmara and is a cultural hub with breathtaking landmarks such as the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia. Istanbul enjoys hot, dry summers and mild, cool, wet winters making it a placid place to live year round.

1. It is multicultural
Istanbul is literally a bridge between the East and the West, its landmass straddling both Europe and Asia. It is a cultural melting pot where people of all cultures and faiths can feel at home. Indeed more than 30,000 international students come here to study, with growing numbers coming from continental Europe, Africa, the United States and Asia.

2. It’s friendly
Turks are known for their warmth and hospitality. You’ll soon be drinking çay (tea) and playing tavla (backgammon) with the locals and being invited round for breakfast by your neighbours. Most Turks enjoy meeting foreign visitors and practising their English.

3. It has a rich history
Istanbul is an open-air museum, full of ancient sites and ruins that bear testament to the many civilisations that emerged or flourished here, including Greek, Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman. Travelling a bit further you will find the world’s best-preserved Neolithic settlement at Çatalhöyük, the famous city of Troy and the statues of Greek and Persian gods on Mount Nemrut, described by Unesco as the 8th wonder of the world.

4. The food is delicious
From the savoury pastries and kebabs served on the streets of Istanbul to the fresh fish, grilled corn and stuffed mussels sold on the coast, Turkish cuisine is a mouthwatering fusion and refinement of Central Asian, Middle Eastern, Mediterranean, Caucasian and Balkan dishes. You’ll soon be eating olives and cheese for breakfast, drinking yoghurt with every meal and sipping lots and lots of Turkish tea.

5. It’s affordable
Tuition fees and the cost of living are lower in Istanbul than in most European or American cities yet the quality of education is very high at institutions such as Koç University. There are also scholarships available that cover not only tuition fees but accommodation, insurance and travel costs.