

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HANDBOOK



"A PREFERRED UNIVERSITY"





First we would like to welcome you at Yalova University.

Yalova University founded in 2008 has already started to compete with other longer standing universities with its 13350 students, 528 academicians and 312 administrative staff. More than 16000 students have got degree from Yalova University so far. Our university aims to have social and technical departments that produce pioneers and leaders in those fields, by providing knowledgeable academic and experienced administrative personnel and utilizing strong national and international relationships.

Yalova, with its unique natural beauties and climate, is a peaceful city for its residents. It is easy to adapt to Yalova because it is a modern and socio-economically developed city. Yalova is warm, safe, peaceful, and imbued with the hues of blue and green. Yalova and our university offer you a lot of things; you just have to take advantage of it.

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Please see the table below for the departments of our university...

INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Electrical and Electronics Engineering (BS) Computer Engineering (BS, MS, PhD) Industrial Engineering (BS, MS) Mechanical Engineering (BS) Civil Engineering (BS) Energy Systems Engineering (BS, MS) Polymer Engineering (BS, MS, PhD) Chemistry and Process Engineering (BS, MS, PhD) Transportation Engineering (BS)

INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

FACULTY OF ECONIMICS AND ADMINISTRATIVE SCIENCES

Business Administration (BS, MA, PhD) International Relations (BS, MA, PhD) Labor Economics and Industrial Relations (BS, MA, PhD) International Trade and Finance (BS, MA, PhD) Social Sciences (BS, MA, PhD) Economics (BS, MA)

FACULTY OF LAW (BS, MA)

FACULTY OF ISLAMIC SCIENCES

Basic Islamic Sciences **(BS, MA, PhD)** Philosophy and Religious Sciences **(BS, MA, PhD)** Islamic History and Arts **(BS)**

FACULTY OF ART AND DESIGN

Communication Arts (**BS**, **MA**) Graphic Design (**BS**) Interior Architecture (**BS**) Drawing (**BS**) Industrial Products Design (**BS**) Traditional Turkish Arts (**BS**)

VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

Altınova Vocational School Armutlu Vocational School Çınarcık Vocational School Termal Vocational School Yalova Vocational School

GRADING SCALE

At Yalova University, each course unit is graded on a scale from 0 to 4 points; each numerical grade has equivalence to letter score as follows:

AA 4.0 Successful (Honor) BA 3.5 Successful (Very Good) BB 3.0 Successful (Good) CB 2.5 Successful CC 2.0 Successful (Pass) DC 1.5 On Condition DD 1.0 On Condition FD 0.5 Fail FF 0.0 Fail



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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE

The international Relations Office coordinates international academic cooperation at Yalova University. It offers counseling and guidance concerning application procedure, accommodation and integration into the new environment. You are welcome to visit us.

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LET'S GET INFORMATION ABOUT TURKEY

Official name: Republic of Turkey

Location: Turkey is located in Southeastern Europe and Southwestern Asia. European (or Balkan) Turkey is relatively small compared to the Asian part, the Anatolian Plateau, which is a large peninsula.

Area: 780,580 sq. km (301,382 square miles) with a total coastline of 8,430 km (5,238 miles)

Climate in TURKEY: Turkey has a Mediterranean climate with plenty of sunshine, mild temperatures and a limited amount of rainfall. It is said that all of the four seasons exist in Turkey.

Population: 82,935,301

Capital: Ankara

Major Language: Turkish Monetary Unit: Turkish Lira International Dialling Code: +90





EMERGENCY NUMBERS IN TURKEY

Calls to the following emergency numbers are free of charge; the lines are available 24 hours a day. It is possible to call 112 for all emergency calls. The caller is redirected to the appropriate service.

Medical Emergency/ Ambulance : 112 Fire: 110 Police: 155 Coastguard: 158



MOVABILITY

Yalova University is a unique college city located in the center of three major cities; İstanbul, Bursa and Kocaeli. There are easy, fast and convenient mutual transportation with these cities.



From İstanbul

There are scheduled fast ferries operating at 2 different points (Yenikapı and Pendik (<u>www.ido.com.tr</u>) to take people to Yalova. The voyage takes only 70min and 40min from Yenikapı located in the European side and Pendik located in the Asian side of Istanbul, respectively.

From Bursa and Kocaeli

The cheapest way to get Yalova from Bursa and Kocaeli or vice versa is to get a bus running very frequently. The journey for both routed takes about 1h.

ACCOMMODATION

International students are given several choices regarding accommodation arrangements prior to their arrival in Yalova. There have been many private dormitories where students stay with National or International students.Living in a dormitory is a great opportunity to meet other students and make friends. Apart from private dormitories, our international students can rent apartments.



RESIDENCE PERMIT

When you are accepted by Yalova University, you will apply for a <u>student visa to</u> <u>enter Turkey</u>. After you arrive in Turkey, you will apply online for your student residence permit via <u>https://e-ikamet.goc.gov.tr/</u>. At the end of the online application, you will select a date and time for an appointment at the nearest Göç İdaresi Genel Müdürlüğü (Directorate General of Migration Management), where an immigration specialist will go over your application and paperwork to make sure everything is in order. Then they will mail your student residence permit to you by registered mail.



HEALTH INSURANCE

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va University does not automatically provide health insurance to incoming students. Students must have health insurance of their own which is valid in Turkey. We advise to arrange health insurance before you come to Turkey. Even if you do not have insurance in your own country, it may be necessary in Turkey.

PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKLIST

- □ Have you received the Acceptence Letter from us?
- □ Have you informed us about the date of your arrival?
- □ Have you arranged insurance in your country?
- Is your passport or ID card valid until your return home?Did you get student visa?

TURKISH CUISINE

Turkey is known for offering one of the three most distinctive traditional cuisines in the world. It is renowned for its wide variety of high quality fresh fruit and vegetables, different kinds of fish and fresh meat, delicious desserts, traditional drinks, famous spirits and a large selection of traditional produce.



TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN YALOVA

Yalova knows how to carry the most beautiful colors of nature like a very beautiful dress and offers different beauty each and every season. It has one of the most beautiful coasts of Marmara and is an important port city in terms of coastal tourism, hunting tourism and thermal tourism as well as the nature tourism. If you decide to study in Yalova University, you can check the must see places we've picked for you.

Hot Spring: Yalova is famous for its hot springs that cross the country borders. If you want to throw away the tiredness of the year, to find healing and rest, Yalova Spa is ready to serve you all year round. Armutlu Thermal Springs and Yalova Thermal Houses.

Natural Beauties: Yalova and its surroundings draw attention with the natural beauties formed by unique nature. With its lush forests, blue sea, waterfalls, springs and olive gardens, the man grows up as if he has come out of a famous painter's table, especially in spring. Erikli Waterfall, Suduşen Waterfall and Dellaced Plateau are the beauties that must be seen in Yalova.

Historical Places: In Yalova, which is not very rich in historical places; Black Church, the Open Air Museum and the Walking Pavilion can be seen.

Beaches: Many holidaymakers prefer colorful colored beaches in Cinarcik, the cute little town of Yalova. The Çınarcık Beaches, also known as the Bodrum of the Marmara Sea, which is heavily demanded especially during the summer months that are hotter, will catch up with your

imagination.







SAY IT IN TURKISH



Good Morning	Günaydın
Good Afternoon	Tünaydın
Good Evening	İyi Akşamlar
Hello	Merhaba
Goodbye	Hoşçakalın
See you	Görüşürüz
Thank you	Teşekkürler
Please	Lütfen
Excuse me	Afedersiniz
How are you?	Nasılsın?
I am fine	İyiyim
How much is it?	Ne kadar?
Yes	Evet
No	Hayır
What is your name?	İsminiz nedir?



Orsoyla KENDIK

1. Where do you come from Hungary, Budapest

2.What do you study at Yalova University?

International Relations

3. Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

Firstly, I would like to mention the great location that the Yalova University has. Yalova is a small town located at the seaside and just one hour far by boat from Istanbul. It has everything of the colorful turkish lifestyle including local markets, cafe places and restaurants. At the same time it is a really safe and calm place with full of young students so it is a lot ideal for living the uni lifestyle. Secondly, I would say that most of the lecturers were well prepared, up to dated with a wide range of knowledge and qualified for their mission to transfer the needed material to students. They were always there to help and guide me if I had any questions regarding of the lessons. The class provides a really welcoming environment since the community already contains students from different origin. My classmates were really opened, friendly and helpful toward me.

4. What do you think is the best thing about Turkey?

I chose Turkey as my destination country because I wanted to experience something that is out of my comfort zone. I wanted to leave behind Europe in order to learn about a different culture. I was eager to spend some months in a new country to be able to see how people live their everyday life. I wanted to see the world from a different perspective and I actually widened my sight a lot through the lessons I participated in. I gained a lot of memories, friends that I will never forget in my life! I also had a chance to learn the language which provided me access to be involved more into the society. In Turkey people are naturally warm and friendly toward foreigners, they are always ready to help you. People are really easy-going, they try to involve you to their community and they never leave you alone. The cultural richness, such as music, turkish cuisine, traditions, that the country has is just the top of everything.

5. What is your favourite turkish food?

Well, it is not easy to choose from the delicious, wide variety of turkish foods. I personally liked most of them because the turkish cuisine is usually really spicy and tasty. My number one meal was definitely kuru fasulye with pilav, which is a really traditional one. The other thing that I can't forget was baklava, which is a dessert made with a lot of honey that makes it just too sweet but I could still eat it everyday.

Elnora İrissaliyeva



1.Where do you came from?

Turkistan, Kazakhstan

2.What do you study at the Yalova University?

nternational Relations

3.Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

That university is located near to the sea and one of the most amazing cities, Istanbul. To study there means get precious experience and good educational skills. There are a lot of high qualified professors, which lecture by unusual and funny ways. Yalova University provides a welcoming atmosphere to anybody...

4.What do you think is the best thing about Turkey?

First of all, Turkey is the most welcoming country in the world! People there are so friendly and always smiling. The attitude toward foreigners is really polite. The next thought is culture and food, I've fallen in love with it. I was astonished that almost every Turk sings and cooks very well. And not the last, but the main thing is the Turkish endless respect and honor for their Motherland...

5.What is your favorite Turkish food?

Baklava! The most delicious dessert ever.