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INFORMATION PACKAGE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS Dear Students;

I am delighted to welcome you to Altınbaş University. Thank you for choosing our University and congratulations on receiving an offer to study here. It is my pleasure formally to welcome you into our global community.

We believe that international students from all around world will be an important part of the University life at Altınbaş University. Our community will be greatly enriched by the students' culture, customs and perspectives. We know that you will add something valuable to our mix as well. We welcome your accomplishments and hope that you will enjoy the time you spend studying here at Altınbaş University.

Please take the time to read through this information sheet, it contains information that you will need to help you settle in.

If you need any assistance, you may email our International Office via <u>international@altinbas.edu.tr</u>. Alternatively, you may drop by our Office in the campus. We will be pleased to assist you with your enquiries.

We look forward to welcome you here soon.

Sincerely,

Şenay Gümüş International Office Altınbaş University

Registration

Admissions are handled by the Registrar's Office (which is on floor 1 at Mahmutbey Campus) at Altınbaş University. Registration dates for international students are as follows;

Fall (September) Intake	Spring (February) Intake
1 st July – 15 th September	15 th November – 11 th January

Fall Semester Registration	Spring Semester Registration
26 rd August – 11 th October	3 rd February – 6 nd March

<u>Please note that Fall Term classes start on the 30th of September 2019 and Spring Term</u> <u>classes start on the 02nd of March 2020.</u>

Documents Required for Registration

1. The original and a copy of the high school **diploma** for bachelor studies or undergraduate diploma for master studies (for PhD program registration, Master's Degree Diploma is also needed) and its notarized Turkish or English translation.

2. Equivalency Certificate (for bachelor degree seeking students, it is obtainable from the Ministry of Education of Turkey or local Turkish Embassy certifying the equivalency of the diploma to that of a Turkish high school degree. For Master or PhD degree seeking studies, it is obtainable from the Turkish Higher Education Board certifying your previous education institution is recognized in Turkey).

3. The original and a copy of the **transcript of records** and its notarized Turkish or English translation.

5. Certified copy of your **passport**

6. **Tuition fee bank receipt** (at least the half of the annual (or program tuition in the case of the graduate programs) tuition must be transferred to the university bank account before registration)

7. A copy of the **student visa**, obtained from the relevant Turkish Embassy / Consulate General within the home country (only for those who apply from countries not exempted from visa) or the Certificate of Residence (if already obtained)

8. 6 passport size photos



Summary of Programs

School of Medicine

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Medicine	Doctor of Medicine (MD)	English	6	25000 \$

School of Dentistry

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Dentistry	Bachelor of Dentistry	Turkish/partially English	5	20000 \$
	(BDent)			

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School of Pharmacy

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Pharmacy	Bachelor of Pharmacy	English	5	15000 \$
	(BPharm)			

School of Economics, Administrative and Social Sciences

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Economics	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
International Relations	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Political Science and	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Public Administration				
Psychology	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Sociology	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Social Services	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$

School of Management

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Business	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Administration				
International Logistics	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$
Management				
International Trade	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	English	4	8500 \$

School of Applied Science

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Gastronomy	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Management	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Information Systems				
Health Care	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Management				



School of Engineering and Natural Sciences

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Architecture	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English and/or Turkish (Both	4	8500 \$
		mediums are available)		
Interior Architecture and	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English	4	8500 \$
Environmental Design				
Civil Engineering	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English and/or Turkish (Both	4	8500 \$
		mediums are available)		
Computer Engineering	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English	4	8500 \$
Electrical and Electronics	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English and/or Turkish (Both	4	8500 \$
Engineering		mediums are available)		
Industrial Engineering	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English and/or Turkish (Both	4	8500 \$
		mediums are available)		
Mechanical Engineering	Bachelor of Science (BS)	English	4	8500 \$
Software Engineering	Bachelor of Science (BS)	Turkish	4	8500 \$

School of Law

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Law	Bachelor of Laws (LLB)	Turkish/partially English	4	8500 \$
Turkish – German Law	Bachelor of Laws (LLB)	Turkish/German	2+2	8500 \$
(IKBU - University of Cologne)				

School of Fine Arts and Design

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Fashion and Textile	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Design				
Graphic Design	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Interior Architecture and	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Environmental Design				
Jewelry Design	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$
Cinema and Television	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Turkish	4	8500 \$

Graduate School of Social Sciences

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Total Program Fee)
Master in Business Administration (MBA)	Master	Turkish and/or English (Both mediums are available)	2	6900 \$
Strategic Marketing and Brand Management	Master	Turkish	2	6900 \$
International Trade Law	Master	Turkish	2	6900 \$
Public Law	Master	Turkish	2	6900 \$
Political Science and International Relations	Master	Turkish and/or English (Both mediums are available)	2	6900 \$
Arts and Design	Master	Turkish	2	6900 \$
International Relations Joint Degree PhD	Master/PhD	English	4	19800 \$
Private Law	PhD	Turkish	4	19800 \$
Business Administration	PhD	Turkish	4	19800 \$



Graduate School of Science and Engineering

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Total Program Fee)
Information Technologies	Master	English	2	6900 \$
Electrical and Computer Engineering	Master	English	2	6900 \$
Industrial Engineering	Master	English	2	6900\$
Mechanical Engineering	Master	English	2	6900\$
Civil Engineering	Master	English	2	6900 \$
Architecture	Master	English	2	6900 \$
Electrical and Computer Engineering	PhD	English	4	19800 \$

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Graduate School of Health Sciences

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee
Orthodontics	Master	English	3	25000 \$ (Per Year)
Periodontology	Master	Turkish	3	16200 \$ (Per Year)
Biomedical Sciences	Master	English	2	6900 \$ (Total Program Fee)
Pediatric Dentistry	Master	Turkish	3	16200 \$ (Per Year)
Aesthetic Dentistry (Without Thesis)	Master	English	3	16200 \$ (Per Year)
Clinical Periodontology (Without Thesis)	Master	English	3	16200 \$ (Per Year)
Periodontology	PhD	English	4	19800 \$ (Per Year)
Orthodontics	PhD	Turkish	4	25000 \$ (Per Year)
Pharmaceutical Sciences	PhD	Turkish	4	19800 \$ (Total Program Fee)

Vocational School

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Child Development	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Occupational Health and	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Safety				
Health Services Management	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Social Service	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Child Protection and Care	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Services				



Vocational School of Health Services

Name of Program	Degree	Medium of Instruction	Duration (years)	Tuition Fee (Per Year)
Oral and Dental Health	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Operating Room Services	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
First Aid	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Audiometry	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Anesthesia	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Opticianry	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Radiotherapy	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Medical Imaging Techniques	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Physiotherapy	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Hair Care and Beauty Salon Services	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Electrophysiology	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Medical Documentation and Secretarial	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$
Medical Laboratory Techniques	Associate Degree	Turkish	2	4250 \$

Tuition fees

Programs	Annual Tuition Fee (including VAT)
School of Engineering and Architecture	8.500 \$ per year
School of Economic, Administrative and Social Sciences	8.500 \$ per year
School of Management	8.500 \$ per year
School of Fine Arts and Design	8.500 \$ per year
School of Applied Sciences	8.500 \$ per year
School of Law	8.500 \$ per year
School of Pharmacy	15.000 \$ per year
School of Medicine	25.000 \$ per year
School of Dentistry	20.000 \$ per year
Master Programs (Except the Dental Degree Programs and Biomedical Sciences)	6.900 \$ total fee
PhD Programs (Except the Dental Degree Programs)	19.800 \$ total fee
Dental Master and PhD Degrees	25.000 \$ for Orthodontics Degrees and 16200 \$ for the other programs (per year)

• Undergraduate degree seeking students are required to make payments for each academic year they enroll. Students have the option of making a full payment at the beginning of the academic year or can choose to make payments in two installments (to be paid before the beginning of each academic semester).

- Graduate degree seeking students are required to make full payment of their program fee in the first academic year of enrollment. Students (or their sponsors) have the option of making a full payment at the beginning of the academic year at ones or can choose to make payment in two installments which are to be paid before the beginning of each academic semester of their first year of study (fall semester starts in September and spring semester starts in February).
- For any late payments pass the due date of enrollment for academic courses (see in the academic calendar) will be charged a 5% late penalty fee.
- Please note that the English Preparatory School tuition fee is the same with the program that you are accepted. Which means that, if you fail to pass the English Proficiency test and are placed to the English Prep School, you will be making the same tuition payment as of the department that you are registered.

The tuition fee should be paid directly into the below mentioned bank account:

Bank name: DenizBank Branch: Esentepe Ticari Merkez Sube Beneficiary Name: Altinbas University Account No: 9681319-356 IBAN Number : TR38 0013 4000 0096 8131 9000 06 SWIFT Code: DENITRIS

Alternatively, you may use the credit card payment option on our website (<u>http://international.altinbas.edu.tr/en/</u>) to make the payment via your credit card.

Acceptance Letter and Visa Application

Following the offer letter, students need to make a deposit payment to the university bank account in order to receive an acceptance letter. The required deposit amount can be found on the first page of the offer letter. As it is stated in the first page of the offer letter, the deposit payment that you will make to the University towards your tuition fees is <u>strictly non-refundable under any circumstances</u>. Making the deposit payment means that you accept the mentioned statement.

Once we receive the proof of payment, we will then issue you with an official acceptance letter. With that acceptance letter, you may apply for a student visa to the nearest Turkish Embassy or Consulate to your residence. If you require the university to send the acceptance letter to the Turkish mission abroad in support of your visa application, you will need to inform the international office via e-mail on which Turkish mission you will be submitting your application.

English Proficiency and English Preparatory School

If you would like to study a degree program which is taught in English, you must satisfy our English language requirements. Students who get the minimum valid score in our proficiency test or in one of the international exams recognized by the university senate may start freshman year.

The international exams recognized by our university are as follows;

Exam	Validity Expiration	Minimum Valid Scores
School of Foreign Languages Proficiency Test		60/100 for bachelor's degree seeking students B1 for the programs under the Graduate School of Science and Engineering B2 for the programs under the Graduate School of Social Sciences B2 for the programs under the Graduate School of Health Sciences
TOEFL IBT	2 Years	 65 for bachelor's degree seeking students 65 for the programs under the Graduate School of Science and Engineering 75 for the programs under the Graduate School of Social Sciences 79 for the programs under the Graduate School of Health Sciences
PTE Academic	2 Years	55 for bachelor's degree seeking students 55 for the programs under the Graduate School of Science and Engineering 60 for the programs under the Graduate School of Social Sciences N/A for the programs under the Graduate School of Health Sciences
FCE	2 Years	C for bachelor's degree seeking students C for the programs under the Graduate School of Science and Engineering C for the programs under the Graduate School of Social Sciences B for the programs under the Graduate School of Health Sciences
CAE	2 Years	C for bachelor's degree seeking students C for the programs under the Graduate School of Science and Engineering C for the programs under the Graduate School of Social Sciences B for the programs under the Graduate School of Health Sciences
СРЕ	2 Years	C for all the programs
YDS	2 Years	85 for all the programs

If students do not have a valid international exam result which is recognized by the university, they are able to undertake English language proficiency test to gain entry into their preferred program at Altinbas University. The University reserves the right to require that an applicant

undergo a test of English proficiency, if the authentication of the international or national exam result cannot be confirmed.

Please note that PhD students must submit a valid score from one of the above mentioned exam results within the first year of their studies at Altinbas University, even if they pass the English proficiency test, regardless of the medium of instruction of their preferred program.

If your English test result does not satisfy English language requirements into your chosen program, students will have to proceed to the English Language Preparatory Department which offers English language program which provide the best chance of transitioning into study programs.

The Basic English Preparatory Program functions in 4 quarters each of which lasts 8 weeks. Altinbas University Preparatory School aims to provide students with enough English knowledge to carry out their academic studies in their study programs. Based on the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), this program aims to help students develop reading, listening, speaking and writing skills.

Altinbas University Preparatory School, a modular system is applied. The program consists of four levels (A1, A2, B1, B2).

Students who enroll at the beginning of the academic semester take the placement test and they are placed at the appropriate level according to their scores. Reading, listening, speaking and writing skills are assessed in the placement test. Those who get the passing grade take the proficiency test. Those who pass the proficiency test go to their departments.

Please note that the English Preparatory School tuition fee is the same with the program that you are accepted. Which means that, if you fail to pass the English Proficiency test and are placed to the English Prep School, you will be making the same tuition payment as of the department that you are registered.

If postgraduate students are not able to prove their English proficiency, they will need to join the English Prep School as well, however, the fee for those students will be 500\$ per section (if they will have to study all four sections 2000\$ should be paid).

If you would like to study a degree program which is taught in Turkish, you must submit a TÖMER B1 certificate in order to prove your Turkish Proficiency. Students who cannot prove their Turkish proficiency for a program taught in Turkish, will not be able to start their studies.

English Proficiency Exam Schedule for Bachelor Degree Seeking Students

English Proficiency Exam Schedule for Incoming International Students for Bachelor's Degree in the Academic Year of 2019-2020, Fall Semester are as follows;

Date	Type of Exam	Time
29.07.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM
30.07.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM

19.08.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
20.08.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
22.08.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
23.08.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
26.08.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
27.08.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
28.08.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
29.08.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
11.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
12.09.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
16.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
17.09.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
19.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	2400
20.09.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
23.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
24.09.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
26.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
27.09.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
30.09.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
1.10.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
7.10.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
8.10.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
14.10.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
15.10.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
21.10.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
22.10.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	
30.10.2019	Placement Test	8:45 AM	
31.10.2019	Proficiency Test	8:45 AM	

All the English Proficiency Exams will be held in Mahmutbey Campus. The exact venue of the exams will be announced closer to the exam dates on the university website or you can check with the International Office upon arrival. Students must register for one of the abovementioned exams during their registration and can only take the exam for which they have registered. **Please note that students can take the exam only ones.**

English Proficiency Exam consist of two parts for Bachelor Degree Seeking Students. Please be informed that if you pass the first part of the test which is called "Placement Test" in the first day, you will take the second exam. This means that you should come to take the second part which is called "Proficiency Test", the next day.

In sum, only the students who pass the Placement Test will be eligible to take the Proficiency Test. Students who fail in the first exam will start their study in the English Prep School. The others who take the second exam will either start in English Prep School or in their academic department based on the second test's result.

The result of the first test (Placement) will be announced on our website the same day: http://www.altinbas.edu.tr/en/about-us/announcements

In order to see the sample of the test, you may visit the following link: <u>http://www.altinbas.edu.tr/en/academic-units/vocational-schools/school-of-foreign-</u> languages/english-language-preparatory-department/proficiency-test

English Proficiency Exam Schedule for Postgraduate Degree Seeking Students

English Proficiency Exam Schedule for Incoming International Students for Postgraduate Degree in the Academic Year of 2019-2020, Fall Semester are as follows;

Date	Type of Exam	Time
31.07.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
21.08.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
13.09.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
18.09.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
25.09.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
2.10.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
16.10.2019	Placement	8:45 AM
28.10.2019	Placement	8:45 AM

All the English Proficiency Exams will be held in Mahmutbey Campus. The exact venue of the exams will be announced closer to the exam dates on the university website or you can check with the International Office upon arrival. Students must register for one of the abovementioned exams during their registration and can only take the exam for which they have registered. Please note that students can take the exam only ones.

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Leave of Absence (Freezing) or Withdrawing from the University

Student may want to voluntarily interrupt his or her academic studies in Altinbas University. They can take a leave of absence with the decision of the related administrative board and approval of the President's office. A voluntary Leave of Absence indicates that a student has been permitted an exception from the continuous registration requirement of the University. Students can take a leave of absence of maximum two semesters in the English preparatory class, vocational school and masters programs, four semesters in undergraduate and PhD programs. In urgent cases these periods can be extended with the decision of the University Administrative Board. The time period spent during a leave of absence is not counted towards the normal education period.

Students can be granted a leave of absence for the following reasons:

a) If an illness of a long period is documented with a health report

b) If the student is summoned for compulsory military service

c) If an unpredictable emergency case arises due to financial or family reasons

d) If the student is accepted by an institution abroad to pursue his/her studies there or if s/he participates to an exchange program.

Students who are convicted or dismissed from the university for a certain period of time because of a disciplinary action cannot be granted a leave of absence.

To take a leave of absence, students should apply to their school with a petition and related documents. The decision taken about the application is announced to the student by the Registrar's office.

Applications for a leave of absence should be completed at the beginning of the semester, not later than the end of the add-drop period. Late applications are not considered except for emergency cases.

Please note that students must make the tuition payment due for the period that they want to get the leave of absence. When the leave of absence period is over, half of the tuition fee paid for the period of the absence will be deducted from the tuition fees that student restarts his/her education.

Please also note that when students take a leave of absence, they cannot enjoy the rights arising from being a student. Which means that they cannot get a student certificate or transcript of records from the university and their residence permit in Turkey will be cancelled so that they cannot stay in Turkey with a student residence permit. They will either need to leave Turkey during the period of leave of absence or apply for a new short term residence permit with a valid reason of staying in Turkey for the mentioned period of time.

If students would like to withdraw their registration from the university, they may do so by submitting necessary forms to the Registrar's Office. If students do not withdraw their registration before graduation, they will be considered as a regular student and the tuition fee will be due for them for every term that they are student in Altinbas, even if they do not register or join any of the courses. In this sense, students are highly recommended to withdraw their registration by applying to the Registrar's Office if they would like to leave the university permanently.

If students withdraw from the university before the start of the courses for a term and if the student made the payment for the mentioned term, %5 of the tuition fees will be retained by the university and the rest of the payment will be refunded to the student. If the student withdraws between the start of the courses and the deadline for the add/drop period, %50 of the tuition fee will be retained by the university and the rest of the payment will be refunded to the payment will be refunded to the student.

to the student. After the add/drop period, refunds are not possible under any circumstances. Please note that, these refund policies are not applicable for the first semester of the student and does not affect the non-refundable deposit payment made by the student. Deposit payments are not refundable in any case.

Overview of the University

Altınbaş University is a non-profit private university founded by Mehmet Altınbaş Education and Culture Foundation as its most comprehensive social responsibility project in the field of education in 2008. Mehmet Altınbaş Education and Culture Foundation is one of the most significant philanthropy projects of Altınbaş Group which operates internationally with its 54 firms.

Altınbaş University is established with the aim of taking its place among the leading universities of the world with its strong academic staff, research and educational-instructional programs which meet international standards, opportunities to study abroad, and modern technical infrastructure to support the teaching-learning environment.

Campus Life

Mahmutbey Campus

Mahmutbey Campus boasts state-of-the-art research and teaching facilities for the majority of academic subjects. The campus is also home to the Students' Council, a well-equipped sports centre, catered, student guest house, a library, a conference hall as well as shops, a hairdresser, cafes and bank ATMs – in fact, everything you need for day-to-day student life.

Mahmutbey Campus hosts the following Schools;

School of Engineering and Natural Sciences

School of Foreign Languages

Vocational School

Graduate School of Science and Engineering

Bakırköy Campus

Bakırköy Campus is a home to Turkey's largest health sciences campus among the foundation universities. It has the School of Medicine, Pharmacy, Dentistry and Dentistry Hospital. It is located in a very central point of Bakırköy in which is a very lively city center with many shops, shopping malls and restaurant. There are plenty of private housing options nearby the campus.We can assist you with a network of students who would like to share apartments with you.

Bakırköy Campus hosts the following Schools;

School of Medicine

School of Pharmacy School of Dentistry Graduate School of Health Sciences Vocational School of Health Services

Gayrettepe Campus

In the city center, Gayrettepe Campus is home to the School of Management, Fine Arts, Law, Applied Sciences and Graduate School of Social Sciences.

This campus is located in the heart of Istanbul where you will have an easy access to social and cultural activities, to the newest restaurants in town with Turkish and World cuisine by walk. Many multinational companies' headquarters are located in Gayrettepe. When you take a glimps in the sky, you will can dream a future in the skyscrapers that will surround you. Don't forget to take a short walk with your friends to Besiktas where you can enjoy the dazzling view of the Bosphorus.

Due to the central location of our campus in Gayrettepe, there are plenty of private housing options nearby the campus. We can assist you with a network of students who would like to share apartments with you. Your housing will be close to world's finest and largest shopping malls

Gayrettepe Campus hosts the following schools;

School of Fine Arts and Design

School of Law

School of Economics, Administrative and Social Sciences

School of Management

School of Applied Sciences

Graduate School of Social Sciences

Academic Year

There are two semesters in an academic year.

2019 - 2020 Academic Calendar	
Fall Semester	
Registration for Term	6 August-11 October 2019
Orientation Program for International Students	23-27 September 2019
First Day of Classes	30 September 2019
Last Day of Classes	04 January 2020
Final Exams	13-26 January 2020
Final Exam (Make Up)	03-09 February 2020

Spring Semester	
Registration for Term	03 February-13 March 2020
First Day of Classes	02 March 2020
Last Day of Classes	06 June 2020
Final Exams	15-28 June 2020
Final Exam (Make Up)	06-12 July 2020

*The above calendar is subject to revision. The updated version can be found at the below website in August/2019;

http://www.altinbas.edu.tr/en/student-guide/registrars-office/academic-calendar

Accommodation

Accommodation is available for Altinbas University students in a number of dorms for girls and boys as seperated. These dorms are located in Mahmutbey campus and are designed to provide a clean, comfortable, secure and civilized environment for the students.

Girls' Dormitory:

Single, triple and quadruple rooms are available. We can also offer a suit upon request.

Room Type	Annual Rate (9 months)	Per Semester	Description
Single Room	USD 3.750	USD 1.875	Front view (14 m2)
Single Room	USD 3.550	USD 1.775	Front view (8 m2)
Single Room	USD 3.450	USD 1.725	Bac <mark>k view (14 m2)</mark>
Triple Room	USD 2.250	USD 1.125	Bac <mark>k view (30 m2)</mark>
Quadruple Room	USD 2.450		Front view (28 m2 + Double Bathroom WC)
Quadruple Room	USD 2.100	USD 1.050	Bac <mark>k view</mark> (30 m2)

Boys' Dormitory

Single, double, triple and quadruple rooms are available. We can also offer a suit upon request.

Room Type	Annual Fee (9 months)	Per Semester	Description
Single Room	USD 3.650	USD 1.825	Front view (14 m2)
Single Room	USD 3.550	USD 1.775	Front view (8 m2)
Single Room	USD 3.350	USD 1.675	Back view (14 m2)
Triple Room	USD 2.250	USD 1.125	Back view (30 m2)
Quadruple Room	USD 2.450	USD 1.225	Front view (28 m2 + Double Bathroom WC)
Quadruple Room	USD 2.100	USD 1.050	Back view (30 m2)

Room fee includes accommodation, electricity, heating and water, Wi-Fi, cleaning services, laundry and gym.

Room charges and meal plans are for 9 months (one academic year) or 1 semester, during the study period at the university.

*Residents are also required to pay a deposit fee of USD 500 which is subject to room's condition after check-out.

FACILITIES

Cleaning Service:

The cleaning of dorm rooms and common spaces is provided by professional cleaners.

Cooking:

Residents can either dine at in-house restaurant or cook their own meals at the common kitchen area.

Leisure Time Activities and Relaxation:

Music room and gym are available for the use of students, free of charge.

Safety

Altınbaş University Dormitory offers students a safe accommodation with its 24/7 security and 24/7 available staff.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Please note that the dorm is located in the Mahmutbey Campus of the University. There is shuttle service to Bakirkoy and Gayrettepe campuses.

If you would like to stay in a dorm, you need the fill in the application form available on the university website.

We can also help you in finding private accommodation (house-sharing) if you do not prefer to stay at the dorm. You can also find an appropriate flat and attain the contact information of the real-estate agents from the following link;

http://www.sahibinden.com/en

If you inform me about the add and the real-estate agent information, I can make deal for you for the apartment of your choosing.

You can also look for shared rooms via craiglist: http://istanbul.craigslist.com.tr/roo/

Pick Up

When you arrive in Istanbul, you should expect the following:

If you fill the **pick-up form** out and give your flight details 10 days before your arrival date, there will be an airport pick-up facility. You may find the form at the bottom of the information package. Please note that airport pick-ups are arranged **only for Ataturk International Airport and not for Sabiha Gokcen Airport**!

The driver from the university together with a student representative will be waiting at the airport with your name written on a sign board.

If you are staying in the university dorm, the driver will take you there or he will take you to your accommodation of your own. Please send us the exact address and the landlord contact details if it is the case.

Health Insurance

According to Law no. 6458 on Foreigners and International Protection, International Students, who are not covered by General Health Insurance System under Law no. 5510 on the Social Insurance under Universal Health Insurance, should have private health insurance covering inpatient/outpatient treatment and medical expenses. This means that, in order to apply for a residence permit, international students need to either purchase a health insurance in Turkey or present a social security agreement exemption document. You may see the eligible country list below for insurance with bilateral social security agreement;

Country	Agreement Code
Germany	A/T 11, A/T 12, A/T 23
Austria	A <mark>/TR 3, A/TR3</mark> -A, TR/A6
The Netherlands	N <mark>/TUR 106, N/TUR 111,</mark> N/TUR 112
Belgium	BT.8, BT.10
France	SE 208-01 FT, SE 208-02 FT, SE 208-04 FT,SE 208- 05 TF, SE 208-06 AFT, SE 208-06 CFT, SE208-17 FT, SE 208-18 TF, SE 208-19 FT, SE 208-28 FT, SE 208- 30 FT
Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus	К.К.Т.С. / Т.С. 3, К.К.Т.С. / Т.С. 5
Macedonia	MC/TR 4, TR/MC 10
Romania	R/TR 3
Albania	AL/TR 4, AL/TR 10
Bosnia	BH/TR4, BH/TR5,

Czech Republic	CZ/TR 111, CZ/TR 112
Luxembourg	L/TR 3,

If you are a citizen of one of the above mentioned countries, you need to get the social security agreement exemption document (or proof of coverage under the above mentioned agreements) from the social security authorities of your country.

For the ones who need a private health insurance, the minimum coverage requirements are as follows;

	Contracted	Institutions	Non Contracted Institutions		
Coverage	Limit of Coverage	Contribution	Limit of Coverage	Contribution	
Inpatient Treatment	Unlimited	None	20,000 TL	20%	
Outpatient Treatment	2,000 TL	40%	2,000 TL	40%	

You can get such an insurance policy in Turkey through various insurance companies. You will be provided with assistance to purchase the health insurance during the orientation week, if you choose to get the insurance from the company that the university works with. For the minimum coverage insurance policy, the special prices for our students from the mentioned company are as follows;

Between the ages of 6-18: 275 TL per year

Between the ages of 19-25: 125 TL per year

Between the ages of 26-30: 125 TL per year

Between the ages of 31-35: 150 TL per year

Between the ages of 36-40: 200 TL per year

Please note that, to be able to get the health insurance, you need to have a **tax number** in Turkey. You may obtain your tax number from any tax office in Turkey. The nearest tax office to the University is the Gunesli Tax Office (Şirinevler Mahallesi Barbaros Caddesi Bahçelievler Maliye Kompleksi No:3 Bahçelievler). Our international office assists the students to obtain a tax number during the orientation week.

If you are bringing your own health insurance from your home country or if you have an insurance policy that you/your home institution bought outside of Turkey you should show written certification in Turkish that your coverage is sufficient. This document is required for your residence permit application. Currently there is only one way to get this certification:

If your insurance company has a local branch/agent operating in Turkey, they can provide you the certification letter in Turkish. Please check before coming to Turkey whether this applies to you. The certification should have the following statement:

"İşbu poliçe 6/6/2014 tarih ve 9 sayılı İkamet İzni Taleplerinde Yaptırılacak Özel Sağlık Sigortalarına İlişkin Genelge'de belirlenen asgari teminat yapısını kapsamaktadır."

which basically states that your insurance policy is in compliance with the minimum requirements of the mandate for obtaining a residence permit in Turkey.

After getting the residence permit, you may register for the General Health Insurance (GHI) as well. Students who are covered by GHI may apply to state and contracted private hospitals with their Foreign National Number as long as they have paid their premium. No payment is required at state and contracted hospitals if you are covered by GHI and the patient share for medications is 20%. Therefore, we highly recommend you to cover yourself with GHI as well.

In order to register for GHI, international students must apply to the Social Security Directorate or to the Social Security Center of the district in which the student resides within 3 months after they obtain their Foreign National Number. After registration at the Accounts Unit at the HGC, and once they deposit the GHI premium to the bank they become insured. Students have to pay this premium determined as the minimum amount annually as long as their education continues. This annual amount is about 500 TL. Every year there is an increment in the premium amount after January. Students are responsible for being aware of and pay this amount.

The premium may be deposited in the relevant accounts at Vakıflar Bank, Ziraat Bank and Halk Bank by stating the Foreign National Identity Number.

Please note that students who do not apply for the GHI within the 3-month legal period for application may not benefit from this right afterwards. Therefore, students are strongly advised not to ignore this procedure.

Residence Permit

International students need to register with the local authorities (Göç İdaresi) and obtain a Residence Permit (İkamet Belgesi) within a month after their arrival. In order to apply, students should get an online appointment from the Directorate General of Migration Management of Turkey. The webpage for appointments is as follows;

https://e-ikamet.goc.gov.tr

Students need to get the following items ready prior to the appointment date.

1. Passport, the original and the copy (copy of the Data Page, copy of the page which bares the stamp of the date of entrance into Turkey and if you had a visa, copy of the page baring the visa for Turkey will be needed. If you came to Turkey with an e-visa, then you will need to submit a copy of your e-visa along with your application). Please

note that, in order to get a residence permit, you need to have a passport valid for at least the next six months.

- 2. A valid health insurance policy (you may apply for one in the international office, if you would like to get a private health insurance)
- 3. Student Certificate (Öğrenci Belgesi) issued by the Registrar's office (the student certificate should not be older than 10 days so that you need to get a current student certificate before your appointment)
- 4. Statement of income (this is simply a notification regarding sufficient and sustainable resources for the duration of your stay. You may obtain the notification form from the international office. Migration Management may ask for supportive documents if they feel the need later on)
- 5. Copy of the previous residence permit (if there is any)
- 6. If the name, middle name and surname in student's passport is stated all together in one section (not separated) it is required to obtain a name equivalency certificate from consulate or embassy of the home country (it is important if your surname is not separately mentioned. If it is the case, please contact your home country's embassy or consulate. The same applies for the students with an abbreviation in their names. They will need to obtain a name equivalence certificate stating their full name without abbreviations).
- 7. If you are under 18, the signed documents from your parents regarding their permission about your study in Turkey and its notary approved sworn translation (you may obtain a sample of such a permission letter from the international office). Along with the permission letter, you need to submit your birth certificate (or a similar documentation) proving that the signatories of the permission letter are your parents.
- 8. Receipt of 89 TL residence permit fee (the fee can be paid to the tax offices in Fatih or Eminonu or in Ziraat Bank Branches)
- 9. Copy of your online registration (appointment papers)

You may get assistance on your residence permit applications from the international office during the orientation week.

Equivalency Certificate

Upon the request of the Turkish Higher Education Board, all the bachelor's degree seeking students must provide their Equivalency Certificates to be able to finalize their registration.

We regret to regret to inform you that if students fail to submit their Equivalency Certificate within 2 months following their registration will be removed from the university system they will no longer be a student of Altinbas University and will not be able to ask for a refund of the paid fees. If you register without submitting an equivalency certificate means that you accept the above-mentioned rule.

High School Equivalency Certificates are obtainable from the Istanbul Branch of the Ministry of Education which is located in Sultanahmet. The necessary documents for your applications are written below:

1. Completed Application Form (you can find it attached, please fill it out before you come to the Ministry of Education)

2. Original Passport

3. Copies of your Passport pages: First page with the Identification Information, the Page with the Entrance Stamp showing the date you came to Turkey, the Page showing your Visa with which you entered Turkey (if available)

- 4. Original High School Diploma (or a notary approved copy)
- 5. Original Transcript (or a notary approved copy)
- 6. Residence Permit if not available you MUST bring your Acceptance Letter
- 7. Student Certificate
- 8. Plastic Dossier

Before going to Sultanahmet, to the Istanbul Branch of the Ministry of Education, students may come to the International Office and we can check their files in advance. During the orientation week, we assist students for their applications by taking them to the Istanbul Branch of the Ministry of Education to facilitate a group application. If you choose to make an individual application, you may find the location in the link given below. You can visit them and submit your documents on week days between 08:30-17:00.

https://www.google.com/maps/place/%C4%B0stanbul+Mill%C3%AE+E%C4%9Fitim+M%C3% BCd%C3%BCrl%C3%BC%C4%9F%C3%BC/@41.0072417,28.9745933,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0 x0:0xa3714315805f53c?ved=2ahUKEwittaO2hJXhAhVKxaYKHSQ4ANwQ_BIwDXoECAsQCA

Health Care

The University has a Health Center on campus with emergency service. The Health Center provides free daily health services during daily working hours.

It is advisable to check with your Turkish embassy with regard to medications that you can legally bring into Turkey if you plan to bring your medications with you.

Internet Access

Altınbaş University offers you high-speed Internet connection access in any on-campus connectivity. There are separate Wi-Fi connections available for students, guests and academic staff. In addition to these, you can always use computers in the library.

Student Clubs

In our university, student clubs are formed in accordance with the demands and inclinations of the students, with their own will. Clubs functioning in various areas like music, sports, art, entrepreneurship, law, psychology, etc prepare the students to the future and contribute to the enrichment of their cultural and social lives.

Club activities and membership are open to all the students. Students can freely establish new clubs in accordance with their hobbies or interests.

Currently active student clubs; Logistics Club, Fenerbahçe Fans Club, World Travel Club, Folklore Club, Young Art Club, Individual Development and Psychology Club, Robotics Club, Rock Club, Kemalist Thought Club, Literature Club, Industrial Engineering Club, Soccer Club, Entrepreneurship Club, Law Club, Theatre Club, International Trade Club, International Relations Club, Architecture Club etc.

Life in Istanbul

Istanbul is Turkey's most populated and largest city as well as being a cultural and financial center. It is the only city in the world built on two continents. It stands on the shores of the Bosphorus, where the waters of the Black Sea combine with those of the Marmara Sea and the Golden Horn. Throughout its history Istanbul has served as capital city of Roman Empire (330-395), the Byzantine Empire (395-1204 and 1261-1453). The remains of many ancient civilizations and cultures are blended with today's Turkish culture. A combination of old versus new, the traditional versus modern, as well as traces of diverse ethnicities and religions makes the city a unique and very charming place. The city is full of contrasts and colorful vies, attracting tourists and new immigrants from all over the world.

For the map of Istanbul please check the following website;

http://www.euroave.com/maps/00mapx.php?xcity=istanbul

Climate

There are four distinct seasons in Istanbul: summer, autumn, winter and spring with temperatures ranging from 0 degrees Celsius in the winter months to 30 degrees Celsius in the summer.

Mobile & Phone

If you would like to use your phone in Turkey, you need to register it first. Your mobile phone will be blocked maximum in 3 months, if you do not register it. You'll be able to use wireless, Ipod, Viber, Whatsapp etc. But you'll not be able to make regular phone calls.

In order to register your phone, you need to have a tax number. After getting your tax number, you need to make a payment to the tax office. The payment is around 120 TL. You also need to submit your passport and the IMEI number of your phone. IMEI is a unique number that is registered to your phone. You can click *#06# and YES in your mobile phone to find out your IMEI number.

From the tax Office, you will get a Certificate of Registration. Then, you can go to a GSM telecommunication provider shop to buy a SIM card and start using your phone. There are four major GSM telecommunication providers in Turkey.

Turkcell: www.turkcell.com.tr

Vodafone: www.vodafone.com.tr

Bimcell: www.bimcell.com.tr

Please note that, making international calls from a Turkish phone number will cost too much. Applications like Whatsapp, Skype, Viber, Tango or Facetime are better for international calls.

Work Hours and Holidays

Banks are open weekdays from 9:00 AM until noon or 12:30 PM , depending on the bank, and from 1:30 PM until 5.00 PM . However, there are some banks which continue to serve during lunch breaks.

Museums are generally open Tuesday through Sunday from 9:30 AM until 5.00 PM or 5:30 PM and closed on Monday. Palaces are open the same hours but are closed on Thursdays.

Shops and bazaars are normally open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 AM to 1.00 PM and from 2.00 PM to 7.00 PM, and closed all day on Sunday. But most stores in shopping malls and crowded streets are open seven days a week, including lunch breaks.

Public Transportation and Fee Schedule

In order to reach the Mahmutbey campus;

You can take the tram from Kabataş and follow Karaköy – Eminönü – Sirkeci – Sultanahmet
 Aksaray – Topkapı line to Bağcılar, and from Bağcılar you take a minibus or taxi to the university.

• You can take the metrobus from Söğütlüçeşme in Asian side or from Zincirlikuyu and Avcılar in European side to Yenibosna stop and take a minibus or bus to "İSTOÇ" destination to come to the university.

• The İETT bus with "98 M" code from İSTOÇ to BAKIRKÖY stops in front of the university.

• The İETT bus with "141 M" code from KANUNI SULTAN SÜLEYMAN EGITIM VE ARASTIRMA HASTANESI to MECIDIYEKOY stops in front of the university.

• The IETT bus with "97 E" code from KZLICESME to GUNESLI stops in front of the university.

It is possible to come to the university with the minibuses on the following lines as well:

Şirinevler – Yenibosna – Güneşli – Evren – 212 AVM – Mahmutbey – Üniversite – ÇETAŞ –
 Fatih Mah. – Yavuz - Yüzyılköprü – Otocenter – Tekstilkent – Giyimkent

İncirli – Haznedar – Çamlıkahve – Parseller – Bağcılar – Papaz Köprüsü – Güneşli – Evren –
 212 AVM – Üniversite – İSTOÇ

• Bağcılar Devlet Hastanesi – Papaz Köprüsü – Güneşli – Evren – 212 AVM-Üniversite – İSTOÇ

• Şirinevler – Yenibosna – Beşyol – Radar – Güneşli – Hürriyet- 212 AVM – Üniversite - İSTOÇ

There is also a shuttle service between Yenibosna Metrobüs Station and Mahmutbey Campus from 08:00 to 18:00 on weekdays.

The shuttles depart every 15 minutes from both stops (Yenibosna Metrobüs and Mahmutbey Campus). The earliest departure times are 08:00 from Yenibosna and 08:15 from Mahmutbey Campus.

The shuttle bus is for "Assel Kart" holders only.

Assel Kart can be obtained from the Assel Tur stand which is located at D Building Ground Floor.

Transportation by Car - University is almost 400 metres away from the TEM Highway. While coming from Ankara direction, you will take the right side by the traffic sign directing to Güneşli and follow the traffic signs directing towards ISTOÇ and university. While coming from Edirne direction, you have to take the right side from traffic signs directing towards Mahmutbey after passing through Mahmutbey pay tolls. The university building is the 14-floor building on the south of the road.

Pricing of basic public transportation means are as follows;

MEANS OF TRANSPORT	ELECTRONIC TICKET (AKBIL - ELECTRONIC CARD)		BLUE CARD (MONTHLY)			TRANSFER OF ELECTRONIC TICKETS			
IETT BUSES TUNNEL NOSTALGIC	Regular Fare	2,60 TL		Regular Fare	205 TL		Regular Fare	1,85 TL	
TRAMWAY	Reduced	Student	Other	Deduced	Student	Other	Deduced	Student	Other
PUBLIC		1,25 TL	1,85	Reduced Fare	85 TL	125	Reduced Fare	0,55 TL	1,10
PRIVATE BUSES		_,	TL	Ture	05 I L	TL	Ture	0,55 TL	TL
IDO CITY									
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FERRIES									
PRIVATE									
FERRIES				\sim					
RAILWAY									
SYSTEMS									

METROBUS GRADUAL PRICING				
(By, scanning Electronic Card in and out to the station)				
FOR FIRST 3 STOPS				
Regular Fare	: 1,95 TL			
Reduced Fare				

- Student		1,10 TL			
- Student	:	1,10 1			
- Other	:	1,45 TL			
AFTER 3 STOPS	AFTER 3 STOPS				
Regular Fare	:	3,00 TL			
Reduced Fare					
- Student	:	1,20 TL			
- Other	:	1,85 TL			
BLUE AKBIL (MONTHLY)					
FOR FIRST 3 STOPS					
Regular Fare-Reduced Fare : 1 way					
AFTER 3 STOPS					
Regular Fare-Reduced Fare : 2 ways					

For public transportation please check the following website;

http://www.iett.gov.tr/en/

For rail transportation please check the following website;

http://www.tcdd.gov.tr/tcdding/index.htm

For Sea Buses please check the following website;

http://www.ido.com.tr/en/index.cfm

Psychological Counseling Center

The aims of Psychological Support Center are supporting individual, social and academic developments of the students and stuff and helping them to gain skills for coping with personal or relational problems that they encounter and for adaptation to their lives. Our students can benefit from individual and group counseling services offered by our center. Committed to the ethical standards and confidentiality codes set by the Turkish Psychological Association, our clinical psychologists offer these services free of charge. Psychological Support Center office is located in our campus and all the registered students and stuff of Altınbaş University can benefit from those services.

Food Service

At Altınbaş University, our cafeteria serves for breakfast, lunch and dinner in fast food, snakes and pastry options with its capacity of 150. The main dining hall, with its capacity of 250, is open for lunch between noon and 2 p.m. In addition to a variety of food choices and salad bar, a set meal is also served. The quality of the menu served is ensured with HACCP and ISO:9001-2000 standards.

Money and Banks

The monetary unit is the Turkish Lira (TL). Traveler's checks are not favored in Istanbul. ATMs can be found in even the smallest Turkish towns. Most accept international credit cards or bank cards (a strip of logos is usually displayed above the ATM). Almost all ATMs have a language key to enable you to read the instructions in English.

Most commercial establishments accept international credit cards such as Visa, Master Card and American Express.

Please note that, in order to make any kind of bank transactions, you need a tax number in Turkey. You may obtain your tax number from any tax office in Turkey.

VAT

The value-added tax, here called KDV, is 18% on most of products. Hotels typically combine it with a service charge of 10% to 15%, and restaurants usually add a 15% service charge.

Value-added tax is nearly always included in quoted prices. Certain shops are authorized to refund the tax so you must ask about this.

Electricity

The electrical current in Turkey is 220 volts, 50 cycles alternating current (AC); wall outlets take Continental-type plugs, with two round prongs.

Travel Tips

Safety: Keep your passport and travel documents with you at all times. A pack that fits around your waist and holds everything in front of your body is the best.

In case the airline loses your luggage, have everything you need for one night's emergency stay in a bag with you on the airplane.

MAKE AND KEEP COPIES OF ALL YOUR IMPORTANT PAPERS AND YOUR PASSPORT.

Put your name and both your home and Turkey addresses and telephone numbers INSIDE your baggage and on a label outside of your baggage. You can use the University's address if you do not have an address in Turkey yet.

National Holidays in Turkey

October 29, (Republic Day)

January 1, (New Year's Day)

April 23, (National Sovereignty and Children's Day)

May 1, (Labour Day)

May 19, (The Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day)

July 15, (Martyrs and Democracy Day) August 30, (Victory Day) **Emergency Numbers in Turkey** Emergency: 112 or 444 0 911 Police: 155 Fire: 110 Directory: 11811 Postal Code: 119 Phone Repair: 121 CableTV: 124 Wake up service: 135 Trafic Report 154 Main Post Office: 161 Health Hotline: 184 Water Company: 185 Electric Company: 186 Gas Company: 187 Aria Codes: 189 For information on Turkish history, culture, political life please see:

http://www.kultur.gov.tr/

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PICK-UP INFORMATION FORM

Name:

Surname: Passport Number: Arrival Date/Time: Flight Number: Destination/Drop Off Address in Istanbul: