TÜRKİYE SCHOLARSHIPS
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Currently over 16,000 scholarship holders.

About 5,000 new scholarships awarded each year.

Approximately 150,000 alumni across the world.

The scholarship is all inclusive of:

- Tuition fee
- A Monthly stipend
Each year, Türkiye Scholarships receives more than 100 thousand applications from all over the world.
Türkiye Scholarships is a government-funded, competitive scholarship programme, awarded to outstanding students from all around the world to pursue full-time or short-term programmes at the top universities in Turkey.

Besides university education, cultural and professional development of students is supported:

- Cultural Activities
- Internship Opportunities
- Seminar Programs in Cooperation with Universities and NGOs
Türkiye Scholarships aims to build a network of future leaders committed to strengthening cooperation among countries and mutual understanding among societies.

Türkiye Scholarships is inclusive of not only a study grant but also university placement to qualified international students at all levels of higher education.
APPLICATION

Applications to Türkiye Scholarships are online and free of any charge. Candidates can apply via

http://www.turkiyeburslari.gov.tr

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- A citizen of any country outside Turkey may apply
- Scholarships are available at Bachelor’s, Master’s and Phd levels
- Short-term, language and research courses are also available
- The scholarship application is inclusive of a university placement
- Candidates are given a choice of up to 12 universities/programmes.

- Application cycles for Türkiye Scholarships are announced via Türkiye Scholarships website.
- Applications can be made in 8 languages; Turkish, Arabic, English, French, Russian, Bosnian, Persian and Spanish.
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

All candidates must submit the following documents during online application:

- A valid Identification Document/Card
- A valid Passport
- A recent Photo of the candidate
- National exam scores (if any)
- Diploma or temporary certificate of Graduation
- Academic transcripts
- International exam scores (GRE, GMAT etc. if required by the chosen programme)
- Language test scores (if required by the chosen programme)
- A research proposal and an example of your written work (for PhD applicants only)
ELIGIBILITY

• Türkiye scholarships are open for citizens of all countries.
• Minimum level of academic achievement required:
  • Bachelor’s degree applicants: 70%
  • Health Science (Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy) applicants: 90%
  • Master’s and PhD degree applicants: 75%
• You can apply for Türkiye Scholarships if you are:
  • Under the age of 21 for Undergraduate programmes
  • Under the age of 30 for Master’s programmes
  • Under the age of 35 for PhD programmes
  • Under the age of 45 for Research programmes

Please note that:
• Students who are currently studying in Turkey may not apply for their current level of study.
• Short-term scholarship programmes may have additional application requirements. Please check the requirements during the application period.
• Programs not offered by Türkiye Scholarships:
  • Two-year associate degrees
  • Specialization in health sciences
SELECTION

Selection Process
Türkiye Scholarships applications are assessed on the basis of academic success, extra-curricular activities and other professional credentials of the candidate.

1. PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT:
All applications are reviewed based on basic criteria such as minimum academic grades, age limit, required documents etc.

2. SHORTLISTING:
Applications of eligible candidates are carefully reviewed by Expert committees based on a broad set of criteria including academic standing, previous qualifications, academic interests, career goals, consistency of choices, clarity of letter of intent, participation in social activities ...etc. After which a list of qualified candidates is shortlisted for interviews.

3. INTERVIEW:
The shortlisted candidates are interviewed in more than 100 countries by interview committees including academicians and experts.

4. SELECTION:
Interview results of applicants nominated by the interview committees are evaluated by a selection committee and a list of applicants to be awarded a scholarship are formed.
Selection Criteria

Qualified applicants are invited for an interview in their own countries. In some cases, applicants are interviewed online or by telephone. Interview committees usually consist of at least one representative of Türkiye Scholarships and one academic staff from Turkish universities.

Interviews usually last 15-30 mins. and are conducted in the following format:

a. Welcome and introduction
b. Document check
c. Candidate’s motivation for applying
d. Academic knowledge and career goals
e. Ending and questions to the committee
AWARD DETAILS

What Does the Scholarship Cover?

1. Monthly Stipend:
   - Undergraduate level: 700 TL per month
   - Master’s level: 950 TL per month
   - PhD level: 1400 TL per month
   - Research Scholarships: 3000 TL per month
   - Turkish Language Summer School Programme: 500 TL per month
   - Turkish Language Programme for Public Officials and Academicians: 2000 TL per month

* Research Scholarships only covers a monthly stipend
** Turkish Language Summer School Programme covers: monthly stipend, accommodation, health insurance, social and cultural activities.
*** Turkish Language Programme for Public Officials and Academicians covers: monthly stipend, accommodation, transportation expenses, social and cultural activities.

2. Tuition fee

3. One-off return flight ticket

4. Health Insurance

5. Accommodation

6. One year Turkish language course
Length of Awards

- Undergraduate: 1 year Turkish Language course + 4-6 years (depending on the normal duration of the programme)
- Master’s: 1 year Turkish Language course + 2 years
- PhD: 1 year Turkish Language course + 4 years
- Research: 3-12 months
- Turkish Language Summer School: 2 months
- Turkish Language Programme for Public Officials and Academicians: 8-10 months
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES

Türkiye Scholarships offers a range of programmes designed for each level of study, region and country, based on priority areas of study.

Candidates are provided a university and academic programme guide through Türkiye Scholarships Information System (TBBS).

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Undergraduate Scholarship Programme is specifically designed for undergraduate applicants. Applicants interested in designated courses from engineering to health sciences, from humanities to social sciences may apply for the Programme. For available departments and universities please check our website.

POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

A wide range of programmes across social sciences, humanities, natural sciences and engineering at Master’s and PhD levels are offered at prestigious Turkish universities. For available departments and universities please check our website.
SHORT-TERM SCHOLARSHIPS

Success Programme
Success Programme is specifically designed for students who are currently studying in Turkish universities with their own finances and have shown exceptional academic performance. Success Scholarship Programme only covers monthly stipend; for Undergraduate Students 440 per month, for Master's Students 590 per month, for Ph.D. Students 880 per month. For more information please visit our website.

Research Scholarship Programme
Research Scholarship Programme is designed to encourage international researchers and academicians to carry out collaborative academic research in their own fields with Turkish academicians in the most prestigious Turkish universities. The programme is available for PhD holders or PhD candidates at dissertation stage.
Turkish Language & Culture Programmes

1. Turkish Language Summer School (2 months)

Turkish Language Summer School is designed for international students who have Turkish proficiency at the elementary level and who wish to improve their Turkish language skills.

2. Turkish Language Programme for Public Officials and Academicians [KATİP] (8-10 months)

Turkish Language Programme for Public Officials and Academicians (KATİP) is designed for foreign public officials, diplomats, academicians, and researchers who wish to learn Turkish and get closely familiar with Turkey.

Please Note:

Some departments and programmes may require additional criteria to be met by the applicants. For additional requirements, please check department websites and our online application page.
SCHOLARSHIP PROCEDURES

Türkiye Scholarships provides the following services to scholarship holders:

- Meet & Greet Service at the airport
- University and dormitory placement
- Payment of monthly stipend
- Student Bank Account
- Student Insurance Procedures
- Culture & Sports activities
- Seminars and workshops
- Internships and professional training programs
CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC GUIDANCE

Aiming to contribute to social, cultural and academic improvement of international students, Türkiye Scholarships carries out many projects and activities towards the international students in Turkey.

Seminar Programmes

Seminar programmes are implemented and conducted in various cities in coordination with non-governmental organizations, universities and research centers. Seminar programmes aim to raise awareness of international students in the fields of civil society, culture and media as well as acquaint them with Turkish culture, civilization and the global vision of Turkey. Thanks to cultural tours organized within the programmes, students can experience the rich historical and cultural heritage of Turkey. Students also get the chance to meet famous intellectuals and academicians as part of the seminar programmes’ guest speakers.
International Students Social Sciences Congress

International Students Social Sciences Congress is organized in an attempt to provide an academic environment that would enable international students studying in Social Sciences to present their research, exchange knowledge, and carry out joint studies through various workshops and other activities.

Internship Opportunities

Türkiye Scholarships fosters academic and professional development of scholarship holders. Students may attend internship programmes designed across sectors. YTB organizes internship programmes in coordination with government bodies as well as private sector. Over the last five years, scholarship holders benefitted from internship and career development opportunities in Turkish Radio and TV Corporation (TRT), Anadolu Agency (AA), Grand National Assembly of Turkey (TBMM), and the State Archives of Turkey.
International Students Graduation Ceremony
The International Students Graduation Ceremony has been organized every year since the launching of Türkiye Scholarships in 2012. The ceremony brings together graduating students as they complete their educational journey in Turkey and become part of the Türkiye Alumni family. In 2018, the 7th International Students Graduation Ceremony was organized with graduates from more than 100 countries.
ALUMNI

Being aware of the importance of building sustainable relationships with our alumni, Türkiye Scholarships aims to maintain economic, political, cultural and academic relations with Türkiye Alumni through various activities.

Türkiye Scholarships has an alumni body of around 150,000 alumni members from more than 160 countries.

In an attempt to strengthen our ties with alumni members, alumni meetings were organized in more than 50 countries in 2018. As a result, alumni associations establishment projects and other organizational activities of our alumni are being supported across the globe.
For further information regarding specific scholarship programmes and how to apply, please visit:


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