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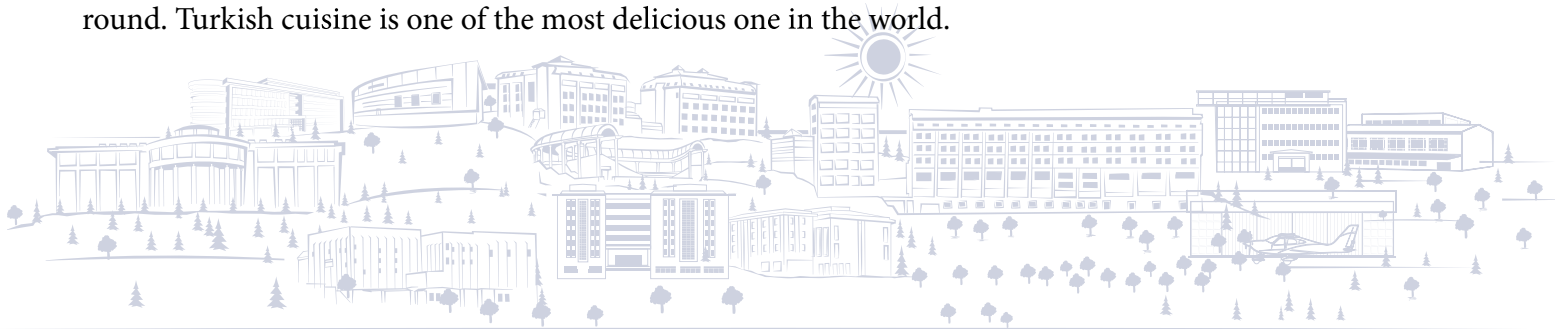


1. REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE

Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, the founder of modern Türkiye.

- Population of Türkiye is 85.372.377.
- Language is Turkish.
- The capital of Türkiye is Ankara and it has 81 provinces.
- Türkiye time is 3 hours ahead of GMT (GMT +3)

Türkiye is a democratic, secular, unitary, constitutional republic with an ancient cultural heritage. Democratic Turkish Republic, in 1923, was established by the pioneering of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. Türkiye is an increasingly popular destination for international students. As the country that links together Europe and the Asia, Türkiye blends a fascinating mix of cultural influences with Mediterranean climate that's typically comfortable year-round. Turkish cuisine is one of the most delicious one in the world.



2. ATILIM UNIVERSITY

Founded by the Atılım Foundation on July 15, 1997, Atılım University was established in Ankara as a foundation university with the goal of providing quality education, producing science and technology, conducting research, and shaping the future of our country. The university continues to take firm steps toward achieving and surpassing this goal. [Atılım University](#) offers a diverse range of academic programs across its various schools, each providing specialized education in their respective fields.

School of Arts and Sciences features departments such as English Language and Literature, Mathematics, Psychology and Department of Social Sciences. This school emphasizes a comprehensive approach to the arts and sciences, offering both undergraduate and elective courses

Fine Arts and Design and Architecture programs, including Industrial Design, Graphic Design, Interior Architecture, Textile and Fashion Design.

School of Law and School of Business offer programs that cover critical areas such as Public Relations and Advertising, Economics, Business, Public Finance, Political Science, Public Administration, Tourism Management, International Relations, International Trade and Logistics. These programs are designed to prepare students for leadership roles in their respective fields.

The School of Engineering at Atılım University includes 13 distinct departments, offering a comprehensive education in various engineering disciplines. These departments cover a wide range of fields, including Computer Engineering, Information Systems Engineering, Electrical-Electronics Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Civil Engineering. Specialized programs are also available in Aerospace Engineering, Software Engineering, and Automotive Engineering, as well as Energy Systems Engineering, Mechatronics Engineering, Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, and Chemical Engineering. Each program is designed to equip students with the expertise and skills needed to excel in their chosen engineering fields.



School of Health Sciences offers programs in Nutrition and Dietetics, Child Development, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Nursing, Audiology, and other health-related fields, ensuring students receive comprehensive training in health sciences.

The Medical School aims to train scientists who are attuned to public health and equipped with international knowledge. It focuses on developing medical doctors who are skilled in applying current medical practices effectively and who uphold ethical values.

The Vocational School of Health Services offers a range of specialized programs designed to prepare students for essential roles in healthcare. The Department of Therapy and Rehabilitation includes the Physiotherapy Program, focusing on patient recovery and movement. The Department of Medical Services and Techniques features programs such as Operating Room Services, Anesthesia, First and Emergency Aid, Medical Imaging Techniques, and Medical Laboratory Techniques, equipping students with the skills needed for various critical and diagnostic roles in medical settings.

The School of Civil Aviation provides a four-year program with specialized tracks in Aviation Management, Pilot Training, Avionics, and Airframe and Powerplant Maintenance. This program prepares students for diverse careers in aviation with a focus on industry operations, pilot skills, aircraft electronics, and maintenance. Graduate Schools include the Graduate School of Natural and Applied Sciences, which covers advanced studies in engineering and sciences, the Graduate School of Health Sciences focusing on postgraduate education in health, and Graduate School of Social Sciences, which is concentrating on social fields.

School of Foreign Languages includes the Department of Basic English and Modern Languages, catering to language acquisition and development.

Each school and department at Atılım University is dedicated to offering high-quality education and training, preparing students for successful careers and academic advancement.



Since its establishment, our university has prioritized education quality, validated by various accreditations. In 2021, we underwent the [“Institutional Accreditation Program”](#) evaluation by the Higher Education Quality Council, and on May 25, 2022, we received full accreditation for five years. This recognition encompasses a comprehensive assessment of our educational activities, research, societal contributions, and institutional governance, resulting in full national-level accreditation. International [accreditation](#) of higher education programs offers significant advantages to students and graduates aiming for an academic or research career abroad, as their diplomas are globally recognized. At our university, 8 out of the 13 programs in the Faculty of Engineering are accredited by Association for Evaluation and Accreditation of Engineering Programs (MÜDEK). All 4 programs in the Faculty of Science and Letters are accredited by The Association for Evaluation and Accreditation of University Programs in Mathematical, Natural, and Social Sciences (FEDEK). The Architecture program in the Faculty of Fine Arts, Design, and Architecture holds accreditation from Accreditation of Architecture Education Programs (MİAK). In the Faculty of Business Administration, the programs in Tourism and Hotel Management, Public Relations and Advertising, Business Administration (Turkish), Business Administration (English), International Trade and Logistics, Economics (Turkish), Economics (English), Political Science and Public Administration, and International Relations are accredited by TURAK, İLAD, and STAR. Additionally, our School of Foreign Languages has obtained 2 PEARSON accreditations. Furthermore, our School of Civil Aviation continues its operations in 3 departments after completing regulatory processes with SHGM.

Atılım University supports researchers, from students to industry professionals, with over 150 specialized labs and experienced faculty. Students gain professional experience through industry-focused studies and the [Undergraduate Research Projects](#) program.



3. ABOUT ANKARA

Ankara became the capital with the establishment of the Republic of Türkiye in October 1923. Before the Republic period, it was a small provincial town, but today it is the second largest city in Türkiye after Istanbul. In terms of its location Ankara is considered the heart of Türkiye. The fact that it has hosted many civilizations throughout history also makes Ankara quite special and valuable. Today, its status as the capital, its quality of education, being the center of all foreign embassies, its cultural heritage, and its population of 5,803,482 continue to maintain its value.

We learn the first information about the sources of the name related to Ankara from the studies of the writer Stephanos Byzantinos. The author mentions that the city was founded by the Galatians and states that its first name was ANKYPA, which means anchor in Greek. The Galatians, who founded the city, fought alongside Pontus King Mithradates against the Ptolemies in the Black Sea region. Mithradates, who emerged victorious with the support of the Galatians, gave valuable lands and an anchor seized as booty to the Galatians as a reward for this victory. The Galatians, who settled on these valuable lands, dedicated the anchor to the Men Temple in the city. Thus, the name Ankypa began to settle in the city.

[Ankara](#), which was the city of the Galatians during the Hellenistic period, became the capital of the province in the Roman period and a city where emperors resided during the Byzantine period. In the Ottoman period, it was the center of the Anatolia.

In the city, where a continental climate prevails, winter temperatures are quite low, while the summer season is hot. The hottest months are July-August, and the coldest month is January. Due to its geographical location, weather differences are frequently observed in the northern and southern parts. The northern part is rainier, while the southern parts are drier.

Ankara, frequently visited by foreign delegations, hosts university students, scientists, and qualified labor from all over Türkiye and the world. It is the city with the second-highest rate of undergraduate and postgraduate graduation in Türkiye.



Life in Ankara

The city center is in the Kızılay, Ulus, and Sıhhiye areas. Tunalı Hilmi Street, Bahçelievler 7th Avenue, Kızılay, and Şili Square are the entertainment/culture and arts centers in the northern part of the city. The new popular centers of Ankara are the Çayyolu and Ümitköy districts, where entertainment/culture and arts activities are easily accessible. These are places known for their inviting café, boutique shops, and dynamic atmosphere. Besides, Ankara is home to Eymir and Mogan Lakes, where you can relax, cycle, or row. Also since the early years of the Republic, Ankara has undergone restoration to become a city that hosts many open spaces and parks. The most popular of these parks are Botanic Park, Seymenler Park, Gençlik Park, Kuğulu Park, Göksu Park, and Mogan Park, 30 Ağustos Zafer Park. Additionally, Atatürk Forest Farm is also significant for the city; visitors here can find numerous greenhouses, agricultural areas, nature houses, and restaurants. Ankara also offers many areas for picnicking, cycling, and walking.

Ankara hosts a variety of cultural and artistic events. The city is home to state, private, and amateur theaters, the General Directorate of State Opera and Ballet, the Presidential Symphony Orchestra, museums of painting and sculpture, art galleries, amateur music groups, and a range of activities at cultural centers, all of which are appreciated by many people. CerModern is an important contemporary art center located in Ankara. Opened in 2005, this venue serves as a platform for exhibiting modern art, allowing artists to share their creative projects. CerModern is recognized as a significant contributor to Ankara's cultural life, playing an active role in the art and culture scene.



Shopping

Popular locations in Ankara for boutique shopping include Tunalı Hilmi Street, Bahçelievler 7th Avenue, Kızılay, and Ulus. Discover the Antiques Market in Ayrancı and Çıkırıçılar Yokuşu for a more conventional shopping experience. Both offer a variety of distinctive, traditional goods. In addition to these, there are numerous malls that are generally open from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM in a variety of districts. These malls are a convenient choice for all of your shopping needs because they provide a wide range of goods and services. Ankara has many shopping malls spread across the city, so you can easily find one near your location. Here are some of the popular shopping malls in various districts:

- 365 - Located in Çankaya, offers a variety of stores and dining options.
- Acity, situated in Yenimahalle, is known for its wide range of retail outlets.
- Ankamall, found in Akköprü, is one of the largest malls in the city.
- Antares, located in Etlik, provides a comprehensive shopping experience.
- Arcadium in Çayyolu is a favorite for both shopping and leisure activities.
- Armada is positioned in Söğütözü and it is a modern mall with luxury brands and dining.
- Atlantis situated in Batıkent offers a mix of shopping and entertainment.
- Cema located in Mustafa Kemal is a popular destination for both shopping and dining.
- Gordion in Çayyolu offers a wide selection of stores and a cinema.
- Karum Kavaklıdere is a well-known shopping center in Ankara.
- KentPark, found on Eskişehir Yolu combines shopping with cultural events.
- Nata Vega known for its large size and variety of stores, is located in Mamak.
- Next Level situated in Söğütözü offers high-end shopping and entertainment.
- Optimum Outlet, found in Etimesgut, is a favorite for discounted shopping.
- Panora, located in Or-An, offers luxury shopping and dining with beautiful views.
- Park Vera situated in Etimesgut provides a mix of stores and eateries.
- Taurus, a modern mall with various shopping and dining options is positioned in Balgat.

No matter where you are in Ankara, you're sure to find a shopping mall that meets your needs.



4. THE SOCIAL LIFE IN ATILIM UNIVERSITY

Atılım University [Campus](#) embraces life under the light of science with its outdoor areas, sports facilities, library, laboratories and conference halls. Atılım University aspires to enrich students both in their fields of interest and in term of culture, to provide vision, and to contribute to their personal development with the opportunities it offers.

A significant number of students from various countries actively participate in 67 student clubs and communities at Atılım University. The university provides all the necessary facilities to support young individuals who approach life with excitement and curiosity, seek knowledge, and explore new experiences, enabling them to shape their future with a broad vision. Although the University has not a school of physical education and sports, it enables students to professionalize in new sports fields and establish strong friendships with its sports teams.

Geographical and botanical characteristics of hundreds of trees living on 250.000 m2 area are expressed with tags. Yanar Döner, also known as Sevgi Çiçeği (*Centaurea Tchihatcheffii*), and Ankara Çiğdemi (*Crocus Ancyrensis*) challenge the tough climate of Incek and beautifies the campus with the coming of the spring. The University supports planting of these flowers and preservation of their natural habitat in Incek region.

Kadriye Zaim Library, which is one of the largest and most beautiful libraries in Ankara with its 8000 m2 usage area and available for students of other universities, creates a pleasant atmosphere for researchers and students. In Arabica Coffee House located in the entrance of the library, you may study comfortably for long hours or accompany the beautiful view of the campus while enjoying your coffee. Burgerdinho is also located in the center of the campus, in which you can eat delicious burgers.

The university supports [student clubs](#) as key to creating a social and cultural environment, helping students grow academically and socially. These clubs organize scientific and cultural events, enriching campus life.



5. RESIDENCE PERMIT INFORMATION

International students need a residence permit to stay in Türkiye. The university's student affairs assist with the application process, including document submission and guidance. Obtaining a residence permit is essential for legal residency. For residence permit information you need to visit the [Students Affairs webpage](#).

6. TURKISH CUISINE

Turkish cuisine is a harmonious blend of Middle Eastern and Mediterranean cuisines, acting as a bridge between them. Various types of rice are often served alongside the main dishes. Ankara, Türkiye's capital, presents a rich culinary experience deeply rooted in tradition and cultural heritage. The city's cuisine features hearty dishes made from fresh, local ingredients. In the winter season, you can find a variety of fresh fish in the local markets, adding to the city's diverse food offerings. Iconic dishes include Ankara Tava, a savory lamb and rice dish, and Beypazarı Kuru, a crunchy, biscuit-like treat. Additionally, don't miss the chance to enjoy Kuru Köfte (Turkish meatballs) and Çubuk Turşusu, a famous pickled cucumber. For a quick snack, try the popular Simit, a sesame-encrusted bread. Ankara's food scene offers a delightful taste of Central Anatolia, whether at local restaurants or vibrant markets.

Turkish coffee is served in small cups, and the amount of sugar added depends on personal preference. Besides coffee, no matter where you go in Türkiye, hot tea is always offered. This offering signifies hospitality and warmth.

Café And Restaurants:

Ankara boasts countless cafes and restaurants. In the Kızılay and Sakarya Street areas, there are many small bars. Additionally, neighborhoods such as Tunalı, Gazi Osman Paşa, Ümitköy, Çayyolu, Bilkent, and Bahçelievler offer a wide variety of bars and restaurants. Ümitköy and Çayyolu are rapidly developing areas, with Park Avenue in this region also serving as an alternative venue. As in other areas, you can find places that match your entertainment and music preferences here.



7. DISCOVER THE RICH HISTORY, CULTURE, AND NATURAL

Ankara is surrounded by a wealth of historical, cultural, and natural sites that are well worth exploring. For day trips, you can visit the charming districts of Beypazarı and Kızılcahamam, where you can immerse yourself in the local culture and savor traditional Turkish cuisine.

History enthusiasts shouldn't miss the ancient city of Gordion, linked to both King Midas and Alexander the Great. Near Eskişehir, Gordion features impressive burial mounds and ancient city walls. It's also known for the Gordian Knot, famously "untied" by Alexander to fulfill a legend. The site offers a glimpse into these historic figures and their influence.

For those who enjoy nature, Beynam Forests and Kızılcahamam offer the perfect setting for scenic walks and outdoor picnics. If you're willing to travel a bit further, Akçakoca is your nearest seaside destination, while Amasra, a picturesque town on the Black Sea coast, is ideal for enjoying stunning views and delectable local dishes. On your way to Amasra, consider stopping in Safranbolu, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its Ottoman-era houses, bazaars, and rich Anatolian culture. Abant and Yedigöller, known for their breathtaking landscapes, are must-see destinations in every season.

And of course, no visit to this region would be complete without experiencing the otherworldly beauty of Cappadocia, located just 285 km from Ankara. Known for its unique fairy chimneys, ancient cave dwellings, and hot air balloon rides at sunrise, Cappadocia offers an unforgettable experience that blends history, adventure, and stunning landscapes.

For a quick getaway, you can take the high-speed train to Konya, the city of Mevlâna, in less than two hours. Mevlâna, also known as Rumi, was a 13th-century poet and mystic whose teachings on love and tolerance continue to inspire people worldwide. Or, in just four and a half hours, you can find yourself in Istanbul, one of the world's most iconic cities. Istanbul, a city that bridges two continents, is rich in history and culture, offering landmarks like the Hagia Sophia, Topkapı Palace, and the bustling Grand Bazaar. With its vibrant neighborhoods, diverse cuisine, and stunning views of the Bosphorus, Istanbul is a city that never fails to captivate visitors. Whether you're exploring its historic sites or enjoying a ferry ride, Istanbul offers an unforgettable experience. Additionally, if you're traveling by train, consider stopping in Eskişehir along the way. This charming city, known for its modern vibe and historic heritage, offers several interesting activities. You can explore the Porsuk River, which runs through the heart of the city, or visit the Odunpazarı district with its well-preserved Ottoman houses and vibrant arts scene. The Eskişehir Archaeological Museum and the Meerschaum Museum are also worth a visit. Enjoy a relaxing walk in the city's parks or try some local cuisine before continuing your journey to Istanbul.

Türkiye offers something for every season, and winter sports enthusiasts will appreciate the skiing opportunities at Elmadag, Ilgaz Mountain and Kartalkaya, all close to Ankara, as well as at Erciyes in Kayseri, and Uludağ, in Bursa.

8. THE HISTORICAL PLACES IN ANKARA

Begin your tour of Ankara at [Anıtkabir](#), the mausoleum dedicated to Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, which was completed in 1953. It houses Atatürk's writings, letters, personal items, and early Republic-era photographs and is open daily.

Next, visit the [Ankara Ethnography Museum](#), which features artifacts from the Seljuk and Ottoman periods. Nearby, the State Art and Sculpture Museum showcases works by influential Turkish artists. In Ulus, [the War of Independence Museum](#), located in the original Grand National Assembly building, presents documents, photographs, and wax figures of early Republic ministers. [The Temple of Augustus](#), built by Emperor Augustus in ancient Ankyra, contains inscriptions on his achievements. [The Hacı Bayram Veli Mosque](#) in Ulus, dedicated to the 14th-century Sufi Saint Hacı Bayram Veli, exemplifies traditional Ottoman architecture and serves as a cultural and religious hub. On your way to Ankara Castle, observe the ruins of the Roman Theater, with its stage and backstage areas still visible. Artifacts from this site are housed in the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations. [Ankara Castle](#), originally built by the Galatians and completed by the Romans, offers historical insight and local cuisine in restored Ottoman houses. [The Museum of Anatolian Civilizations](#) near the castle has a comprehensive collection from the Paleolithic to Ottoman periods. [The Rahmi M. Koç Museum](#), Ankara's first industrial museum, highlights the history of transportation, industry, and communication in honor of Atatürk. Visit the Word Museum, which educates on Turkish words, proverbs, and idioms through artistic displays. In [Hamamönü](#), restored 20th-century mansions now serve as cafes and restaurants, and handmade steel and silver jewelry is available. The [Roman Bath](#) in Ulus, built in the 3rd century for Asklepios, reflects Roman bathing practices. The Julianus Column, commemorating Emperor Julian's visit, was relocated to in front of the Governor's Office. [The Victory Monument](#) in Zafer Square, erected in 1927, symbolizes Türkiye's victory with a statue of Atatürk. [The Hattı Statue](#) in Sıhhiye Square, erected in 1970, represents ancient Anatolian civilizations and honors the region's historical roots.



9. LIVING IN ANKARA

The cost of living for students in Ankara is relatively affordable compared to other major Turkish cities. Monthly expenses excluding accommodation typically range from 25,000 to 30,000 ₺, depending on lifestyle. Students can find budget-friendly options for dining and public transportation, which helps keep overall expenses manageable.

Transportation in Ankara is student-friendly, with an extensive network of buses, metro, and dolmuş (shared taxis). Students benefit from discounted fares with the “Ankarakart,” a rechargeable card used for public transit. The metro connects key areas, including university campuses, while buses cover numerous routes. Student transportation passes offer further savings, making public transit an affordable and efficient option for getting around the city.

In Ankara, public transportation includes EGO buses, public (halk) buses, dolmuşes (minibus), subway, Ankaray (METRO) and taxis. For EGO buses, subway and Ankaray you’ll need an electronic ticket, which can be purchased and reloaded at various points, including metro stations. You can use the EGO card or [Ankarakart](#) for both buses and the subway, including the Ankaray line. By clicking [HERE](#) you can see the routes, time schedule and the procedures students need to follow in order to apply for the discount Ankarakart / EGO card.

Dolmuşes, a common form of shared transportation in Türkiye, follow specific routes with fares varying by distance. Short trips typically cost around 30 ₺, while longer journeys are about 35 ₺. For example, İncek dolmuşes run from Ulus, stop at AŞTİ, and reach the Atılım University campus.

Taxis, identifiable by their yellow color and “taksi” sign, use a taximeter to calculate fares. The starting fare is currently 130 ₺. In addition to the base fare, the cost increases with each kilometer traveled. The rate per kilometer is added to the initial fare, making the total fare dependent on the distance covered during the trip.

Airport buses are operated by and Havaş, Ankara Air. Bus number is 442 and it stops at multiple locations including AŞTİ (Ankara Intercity Bus Terminal), Kızılay (The City Centre) and old Train Station etc. To travel from Ankara Esenboğa Airport to Atılım University's campus, you have several options. Taxis are readily available at the airport and provide a direct route to the campus in about 40-50 minutes, costing approximately 1.700 ₺. Alternatively, you can use airport shuttle services like Havaş or Ankara Air Buses to reach the city center and then transfer to a bus for the university, which may take 1.5 to 2 hours. Ankara Air Buses and Havaş Buses are available near the exit door at Esenboğa Terminal. The fare is 180 ₺. Bus 442 operates in a loop, with departures approximately every 20 minutes, and you can catch this bus from any stop along its route back to the airport. Tickets can be purchased (about 100₺) on the bus after boarding.



Bus Routes to Atılım University

102	Akköprü-Atılım
103-1	Opera-Atılım
103-2	Atılım-Opera
191	Kızılay-Taşpınar Mh.
191-2	Kızılay-Taşpınar Mh.-Çiçekkent Sit.
192	Kızılay-Tulumtaş Mh. İhlamur Sit.
193	Kızılay-İncek Toki
194	Kızılay-Fevziye Mh.
196	Gölbaşı-Taşpınar-İncek-Tulumtaş
584	Koru Metro İstasyonu-İncek Mh.

10. NATIONAL AND RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS IN TÜRKİYE

1 January	New Year's Day
23 April	National Sovereignty and Children's Day
1 May	Spring Day
19 May	Youth and Sports day
15 July	Memorial Day for Democracy
30 August	Victory Day
29 October	Republic Day (1.5)
3 days (variable dates)	Ramadan Festival
4 days (variable dates)	Sacrificing Festival



11. HELPFUL INFORMATIONS

The tables below provide useful phone numbers.

Emergency Call Center- Sanitary Help - Emergency Service, Fire, Police Help, Coast Guard, Forest Fire Alarm, AFAD (Disaster and Emergency Management Authority)	112	Gas Breakdown	187
Turkish Red Crescent (Türk Kızılayı)	168	Water Trouble-Leak	185
National Poison Control Center	114	Electrical Fault-Breakdown	186
Health Advisory	184	Tax Advisory	189
Women And Social Services	183	Alo Consumer	175
Blue Table - Ankara Metropolitan Municipality	153	Alo Tourism	179

EGO Phone: 153 www.ego.gov.tr	Turkish Airlines Phone: 0 850 333 0 849 www.thy.com.tr
Turkish State Railways Phone: 444 8 233 www.tcdd.gov.tr	Bus Terminal (AŞTİ) Phone: (312) 207 10 00 www.asti.com.tr



12. ACCOMMODATION

Investments are ongoing to provide dormitory facilities for our students on campus. Atılım University also recommends private dormitories, details of which can be found [here](#). These dormitories are affiliated with the Ministry of National Education and have been selected for their convenient shuttle routes for easier transportation. However, Atılım University has no legal or business affiliation with these dormitories and assumes no responsibility for them.

Renting a flat is another option for students who prefer not to stay in dormitories. Compared to other cities in Türkiye, Ankara tends to be relatively expensive, so it's important for students to be mindful of rental costs and plan their budgets accordingly. Nearby Atılım University, you can find student-friendly, furnished accommodations, which are designed to meet students' needs.

13. LIBRARIES IN ANKARA

[Kadriye Zaim Library at Atılım University](#) is a key resource center providing a comprehensive research environment. It offers an extensive collection of academic materials and modern facilities that serve students and faculty. The library includes a diverse range of books, journals, and electronic resources, with 92,000 printed sources, 1.250 million e-resources, 67.000 e-magazines and 6,000 multimedia contents. All of these resources are accessible off-campus. It also offers study spaces, computers, and various technological tools to support both individual and group work. Kadriye Zaim Library is dedicated to facilitating access to information and enhancing academic achievement.

Additionally, the National Library of Türkiye and various university libraries in Ankara support research and learning with their rich resources. These libraries offer significant contributions to their users through a wealth of print and digital resources, as well as a variety of services and events. For more detailed information, please click [HERE](#).



14. ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES

No matter how exciting it is to be in a different country, cultural differences can sometimes be challenging. The Student Development and Counseling Center of Dean of Students provides a variety of services to support students' academic and personal growth. Our team offers individual counseling, career guidance, and workshops to improve study skills and emotional well-being. We also provide specialized support for international students, assisting them with cultural adjustments and academic challenges.

Arriving at a new university in a foreign country comes with many challenges and new experiences. To help you adjust to this new environment and learn more about the university, first-year and preparatory students are required to take an orientation course. Support is provided throughout this transition to ensure a smooth adaptation.

The orientation course offers essential information about university life and Atılım University specifically. It helps familiarize you with the campus, its facilities, and available services, as well as the social and cultural opportunities provided. Throughout the orientation, you will:

- Hear the President's Speech and gain an understanding of university leadership and vision.
- Learn about "Life at Atılım" through presentations by various administrative units.
- Get acquainted with essential Student Affairs Procedures.
- Participate in seminars focusing on topics such as Fighting Against Addictions and Library Services.
- Engage in practical sessions like Book Borrowing and Returning.
- Attend mandatory Department Promotion Meetings to familiarize yourself with academic units and their stakeholders.
- Explore the Promotion of Sports Activities and visit Kiosks of Student Clubs and Communities to discover extracurricular opportunities.
- Participation in seminars and similar activities organized throughout the semester as part of orientation course.

The goal is to ensure that your time at Atılım University is enjoyable and successful. Welcome aboard!



15. STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND COUNSELING CENTER

The Student Development and Counseling Center has been established to help students with their psychological, educational and social development, to enable students to realize their potential and to provide guidance on the path leading to success in academic study. The Center offers services in regard to adaptation to the university way of life, learning techniques, effective and efficient study methods, handling and solving examination stress, knowing the self, the establishment and improvement of relations in social life, through diagnosing the problematic fields and focusing on solutions. These studies are conducted in cooperation with the other academic and administrative units of the university through the application of the latest of psychological counseling principles and techniques.

Additionally, throughout the academic year, the Student Development and Counseling Center organizes an orientation program for international students. During this program, international students are paired with student assistants nominated by the center. Starting from the registration period, these student assistants provide support to new international students. They continue to offer assistance throughout the academic year, helping international students navigate various challenges they may encounter.



16. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND ERASMUS+

The International Relations Directorate was established to advance the internationalization efforts, a key component of Atılım University's strategic development plan. The mission of the International Relations Directorate is to "enhance Atılım University's global integration in education, research, and community services." Besides, the Exchange and International Mobility Office oversees Erasmus+ and other international programs. Studying abroad is a unique opportunity to experience a new culture and gain valuable academic and professional insights. Atılım University welcomes global students for a semester or year, offering a transformative experience through Erasmus+ and beyond. Please visit [International Relations Directorate](#) webpage for detailed information.



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