



ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY



**HANDBOOK**  
*for*  
**INTERNATIONAL  
ACADEMICS &  
RESEARCHERS  
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# Rector's Message



**Prof. Dr. İsmail Koyuncu,**  
**Rector of ITU**

Established in 1773, Istanbul Technical University is one of the world's oldest universities. Our university is located in Istanbul, a cosmopolitan and multicultural city, which connects the East and the West.

ITU is building a unique vision of the future with its world-class studies. In recent years, our school gives more importance to areas such as R&D, innovation, education, international relations and digitalization. In this regard, we closely follow the information transformation around the world.

In line with our Internationalization Strategy, we encourage the visits and recruitment of well-qualified international scholars and researchers who have a broad range of disciplinary expertise and experiences. We highly value the way these scholars contribute to the strengthening the international academic competitiveness of ITU. We also value their active role in constructing international consciousness on campus, bringing diversity, new perspectives and skills to the academic environment.

Therefore, we invite well-qualified international scholars and researchers to become a member of the ITU family and look forward to seeing them teaching or conducting research among us...

## Internationalization Strategy of ITU

Istanbul Technical University aims to carry out its activities at a universal level and to contribute to humanity with all its activities.

Accordingly, the internationalization policy of our university aims to create a sustainable structure that;

- Attaches great importance to international collaborations, develops strategies for, promotes and supports these collaborations,
- Enriches the international experiences of its students and academics and enables qualified international students and academics to engage in education and research activities,
- Raises the international academic competitiveness of our university to the highest level and increases its international visibility.

# ABOUT ITU

Istanbul Technical University is one of the oldest technical universities in the world, with a historical background tracing back almost 250 years to the Ottoman Empire. Since its establishment in 1773, it represents the deepening of knowledge, inspiring innovation through discovery and successful progression of humankind.

ITU's institutional history, intellectual memory and its esteemed environment built a strong bridge from the past to the future. With its development, in line with the requirements of its age, it owns an innovative perspective and a structure that cares about establishing relations with the world; ITU is the university of the past, present and the future!



# Istanbul Technical University Since 1773



## 1773

Imperial School  
of Naval Engineering



"Imperial School of Naval Engineering" was founded by Sultan Mustafa III. The school was established as a step in the modernization policy of the Ottoman Empire with the aim to train shipbuilders and cartographers.

## 1795

Imperial School  
of Civil Engineering



The program of the school was broadened to train technical military staff to modernize civil engineering and architecture by the order of Sultan Selim III.

## 1909

College of  
Engineering



The university was organized as an independent public engineering and architecture school. "Journal of Engineering School" was published as one of the first academic journals of Turkey. The foundation of soil mechanics of the World were set by Terzaghi at this school.

## 1944

Renamed as Istanbul  
Technical University



The university was reorganized as an autonomous university under the name of Istanbul Technical University (ITU) with 4 faculties: Civil, mechanical and electrical engineering and architecture.

## 2002

ITU ARI Teknokent  
(Techno-Park)



ITU opened its doors to entrepreneurs and created a sustainable platform in which academy and industry cooperate. ITU ARI Teknokent, located at Ayazağa Campus, was founded as a science park which acts as the center of technology, innovation, R&D and entrepreneurship.

## 2012

İTÜSeed  
(Incubation Center)



İTÜ Seed was founded as a fully-integrated incubation center for early-stage entrepreneurs where science, technology and design are brought together. A strong and dynamic connection between investors and start-ups are established.

## 2023

250th year in Higher Education



ITU will celebrate its 250th year on the 100th anniversary of the Republic of Turkey. The university is developing strategic plans parallel to cutting edge technologies in teaching and research to serve the society and enhance the quality of life.

For further information about our university, please visit:  
<https://www.itu.edu.tr/en/homepage>

# ABOUT ITU

## Education

A prominent state university of Turkey, ITU provides undergraduate education with 99 undergraduate programs, 13 of which are Dual Degree Programs (DDP), at 13 faculties and 179 graduate programs (Master and PhD) at 7 institutes in 5 different campuses located at the center of Istanbul.

The name of Istanbul Technical University has become identical with progress in science, technology, arts, and sports, with more than 36,000 graduate and undergraduate students and approx. 2000 academics.

Medium of instruction at ITU is both Turkish and English. Departments provide education in either 100% English or in 30% English.

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For further information about programs and education at our university, please visit:

<https://www.itu.edu.tr/en/education>

## Research

With more than 500 laboratories and 35 research centers and strong ties with the industry which manifest itself in realization of more than 2500 R&D projects carried out in ARI Teknokent, ITU functions as the engine that fuels an innovative environment in Turkey.

ITU aims to create a new generation of technology and innovation to drive economic growth by applicable and value-added research, based on its strong foundation. Today, ITU's researchers conduct studies in the fields of engineering, fundamental sciences, earth/planetary sciences, architecture, design and social sciences. Some of these research areas include materials, nanotechnology, aeronautics, mechatronic, biotechnology, biomedical, renewable energy, sustainable building systems and design.

ITU lives its motto "Pioneer through the Ages" with distinguished technological projects in Turkey and the surrounding region. The first of each project in Turkey includes the local helicopter "Arıkopter", cubesats "İTÜpSAT1", communication satellite "Türksat3USAT", driverless car "Otonobil", hydrogen-powered boat "Martı" and electric mini bus.

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For further information about research possibilities at our university, please visit:

<https://www.itu.edu.tr/en/research>

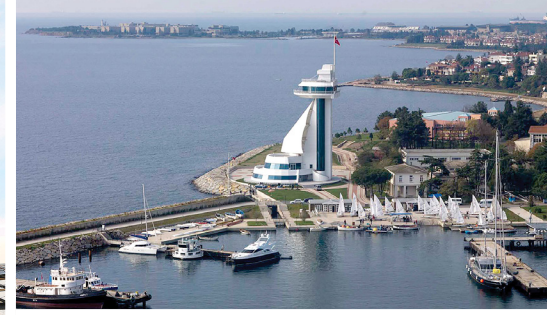
# ABOUT ITU

## ITU Campuses

ITU provides a unique environment with its 5 campuses located at favorite city spots, connecting the green campus experience with urban life.

It is possible to easily reach all the campuses thanks to the fact that they are centrally located and the public transport facilities in Istanbul are linked to each other.

- Ayazağa Campus (Main campus)
- Taşkişla Campus
- Maçka Campus
- Gümüşsuyu Campus
- Tuzla Campus



# ABOUT ITU

## Ayazağa Campus

### Location and Facilities

Ayazağa Campus is the main campus located in the Maslak Square, nearby Istanbul's Stocks and Trade Center.

This Campus houses the rectorate building and administrative offices in addition to 8 of the 13 faculties and 5 institutes.

Mustafa İnan Central Library, Central Lecture Hall buildings, Cultural Art Association, and 75th Year Student Social Center are the most intense living space found on this campus.

For other facilities on Ayazağa Campus, please check the "Life at Main Campus" section below.

### Faculties and Institutes

- Faculty of Computer and Informatics
- Faculty of Electrical-Electronics
- Faculty of Science and Letters
- Faculty of Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering
- Faculty of Mines
- Faculty of Aeronautics and Astronautics
- Disaster Management Institute
- Eurasia Institute of Earth Sciences
- Informatics Institute
- Energy Institute
- Aviation Institute

### Address:

ITU Ayazağa Campus, Rectorate Building, 34469 Maslak-ISTANBUL  
Phone: 0 (212) 285 30 30 (40 Hat), Fax: 0 (212) 285 29 10

### How to reach from city center:

**Metro:** Take M2 metro line.

**İETT buses:** 29B, 29D, 29Ş, 40B, 41C, 42, 59RS

**Minibuses:** SRY13, SRY16

**Metrobus:** by transferring to M2 metro line from Zincirlikuyu.

### How to reach from Istanbul Airport:

**Havaist Airport Shuttle:** (HVİST-14) to 4. Levent. From 4. Levent transfer to M2 metro line.

**İETT buses:** H8 to Haciosman. From Haciosman transfer to M2 metro line.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Sabiha Gökçen Airport:

**Havabus Airport Shuttle:** Take Havabus to Taksim. From taksim transfer to M2 metro line.

**İETT buses:** E-3 to 4. Levent Metro. From 4. Levent transfer to M2 metro line.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Esenler Central Bus Station:

**Metro:** Take M1A metro line. Transfer to M2 from Yenikapı.



# ABOUT ITU

## Taşkışla Campus

### Location and Facilities

Taşkışla Campus was built as a hospital for Military Medicine, between the years 1846-1852 by the English Architect William James Smith and his assistant, the Ottoman Master-Builder İstefan.

Taşkışla Campus houses the Faculty of Architecture, Institute of Social Sciences, Department of Fine Arts and Continuing Education Center.

Faculty of Architecture has its own library and dining hall.

This city campus, which also houses the offices of ITU Development Foundation and the City Rectorate office, attracts people's attention with its splendid historical building.

There is a cable car between the Maçka and Taşkışla Campuses.

### Address:

ITU Taşkışla Campus, 34437, Taksim-İSTANBUL  
(10-minute-walking distance to Taksim square, on Taşkışla Street).

Phone: 0 (212) 293 13 00

Fax: 0 212 251 48 95

### Faculties:

- Faculty of Architecture

### How to reach from city center:

**Metro:** Take M2 metro line.

**IETT buses:** All IETT buses that end up in Taksim.

**Metrobus:** by transferring to M2 metro line from Zincirlikuyu.

### How to reach from Istanbul Airport:

**Havaist Airport Shuttle:** (HVİST-14) to Taksim.

**İETT buses:** H2 to Mecidiyeköy. From Mecidiyeköy transfer to M2 metro line.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Sabiha Gökçen Airport:

**Havabus Airport Shuttle:** Take Havabus to Taksim.

**İETT buses:** SG-2 to Taksim.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Esenler Central Bus Station:

**Metro:** Take M1A metro line. Transfer to M2 from Yenikapı.

# ABOUT ITU

## Maçka Campus

### Location and Facilities

Maçka Campus was built as a police station during the period of Ottoman Empire. This city campus houses the Faculty of Management, School of Foreign Languages, Turkish Music Conservatory, Central Libraries for Advanced Studies in Music and the School of Foreign Languages, Faculty of Management Library, Turkish Music Conservatory Library, ITU Foundation offices, ITU social facilities, and dining hall. There is a cable car between the Maçka and Taşkışla Campuses.

### Address:

ITU Faculty of Business, Maçka Campus 34357, Maçka-İSTANBUL

Phone: 0 (212) 293 13 00

Fax: 0 (212) 240 72 60

### Faculties

- Faculty of Management
- School of Foreign Languages
- Turkish Music Conservatory

### How to reach from city center:

**İETT Buses:** 26, 26A, 26B, 30M, 30A

**Cable car:** TF1 (from Taşkışla Campus).

**Taxi**

### How to reach from Istanbul Airport:

**Havaist Airport Shuttle:** (HVİST-14) to Taksim. From taksim transfer to TF1.

**İETT buses:** H2 to Mecidiyeköy. From Mecidiyeköy transfer to 30M İETT bus.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Sabiha Gökçen Airport:

**Havabus Airport Shuttle:** Take Havabus to Taksim. From Taksim transfer to TF1 cable car.

**İETT buses:** SG-2 to Taksim. From Taksim transfer to TF1 cable car.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

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## Gümüşsuyu Campus

### Location and Facilities

The Gümüşsuyu campus, along with the Taşkışla campus, is located in the Taksim area, the most significant trade and cultural center in Istanbul since the 19th century. The campus houses the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Textile Technologies and Design, Ratip Berker Library, closed sports hall, open sports areas, a dining hall and student dormitories.

### Address:

İTÜ Mechanical Engineering Faculty, Gümüşsuyu Campus 34437,  
Gümüşsuyu-İSTANBUL

(10-minute-walking distance to Taksim square, on Gümüşsuyu Street.)

Phone: 0 (212) 293 13 00

Fax:0 (212) 245 07 95

### Faculties

- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- Faculty of Textile Technologies and Design

### How to reach from city center:

**Metro:** Take M2 metro line.

**IETT buses:** All IETT buses that end up in Taksim.

**Metrobus:** by transferring to M2 metro line from Zincirlikuyu.

### How to reach from Istanbul Airport:

**Havaist Airport Shuttle:** (HVİST-14) to Taksim.

**IETT buses:** H2 to Mecidiyeköy. From Mecidiyeköy transfer to M2 metro line.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Sabiha Gökçen Airport:

**Havabus Airport Shuttle:** Take Havabus to Taksim.

**IETT buses:** SG-2 to Taksim.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Esenler Central Bus Station:

**Metro:** Take M1A metro line. Transfer to M2 from Yenikapı.

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## Tuzla Campus

### Location and Facilities

Education commenced at the Tuzla campus in 1992 with the establishment of the ITU Maritime Faculty. As a city campus, it houses the Maritime Faculty, Maritime Faculty Library and real maneuvering boats, a 25-capacity survival-at-sea laboratory, indoor training and swimming pool, with 33 meters in height and 17 meters in width, the largest pool with a wave simulation function in Turkey. The campus also houses a dining hall and a dormitory.

### Address:

İTÜ Maritime Faculty, Tuzla Campus 34940, Tuzla-ISTANBUL

Phone: 0 (216) 395 45 01

Fax:0 (216) 395 45 00

### Faculties

- Maritime Faculty

### How to reach from city center:

**İETT buses:** 130A (from Kadıköy), 130E, 130T, 133M, 133P, 133T, KM12, KM13.

### How to reach from Istanbul Airport:

**Havaist Airport Shuttle:** (HVİST-9) to Kadıköy. From Kadıköy transfer to 130A İETT bus.

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

### How to reach from Sabiha Gökçen Airport:

**Havabus Airport Shuttle:** Take Havabus to Kadıköy. From Kadıköy transfer to 130A İETT bus.

**İETT buses:** 130H

**Taxi or rent a car services** are also available from the airport.

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## ITU ID card and ITU mail

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The ITU ID Card enables access to the following on Campus:

- Entrance to all campuses
- Entrance to dining halls and purchasing lunch and evening meal
- Borrowing books from the Library
- Fine payments for overdue books at the Library
- Entrance to the sport facilities
- Entrance to the parking areas

[International Faculties on Contract](#) and [International Researchers on Contract](#) may apply for an ITU ID card along with their ITU e-mail account at the [Card Processing Center](#) which serves under the Information Technologies Directorate as soon as the registration to the Personnel Automation System is completed by the respective unit, that is, by Personnel Affairs Directorate for faculties on contract and by BAP for contracted researchers. Registration to the system is generally completed on the same day as the work contract becomes effectual.

On the other hand, [Non-Contracted Visiting Scholars'](#) registration to the Personnel Automation System is completed not automatically but only on the request of the host unit. The host unit is required to inform the Rectorate/ Personnel Affairs Directorate upon the acceptance of the visiting scholar and request an assignment letter (Görevlendirme Yazısı) to secure the registration to Personnel Automation System and in turn, to secure the provision of a Temporary Guest Card to the visiting scholar.

All international staff are required to visit the [Card Processing Center](#) in person and submit one passport size photograph to ensure that they receive their ITU ID card and their ITU e-mail address.

Family members of the international scholars residing on Ayazağa Campus at ITU public housing or ITU guesthouses are eligible to obtain a family ID card which provide access to the campus as well as to some facilities on campus, provided that these family members have a valid Foreigner ID.

Off-campus family residents are not eligible for a university ID. They can visit campus anytime and use the facilities as family guests.

## Contact Information

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Card Processing Center

(0212) 285 39 30

E-mail : kim@itu.edu.tr

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Accommodation

Depending on their category, international academics and researchers will be subject to different accommodation alternatives and procedures, offered and administered by different units at ITU:

1. **Public Housing (Lojman):** [Administrative and Fiscal Affairs Directorate/ Housing Unit](#) is the responsible body for the allocation of public housing at ITU.

[International Faculties on Contract](#) may benefit from public housing with the same terms and conditions valid for Turkish academics and administrative staff at ITU.

If the applicant is found eligible, a contract will be drawn up, which will be valid for up to 5 years provided that the work contract with ITU is also extended annually during this 5-year period.

The houses are not furnished in this option and the rent is deducted automatically from person's salary on a monthly basis.

2. **Guest Residence (Misafir Lojmanı):** [Health, Culture and Sports Directorate](#) is the responsible body for the allocation of Guest Residences, which are very limited in numbers. Guest residences are offered to [International Researchers on Contract](#) and [Non-Contracted Visiting Scholars](#) for a maximum of 6 months.

International scholars are required to apply to their departments for allocating a place at the Guest Residences, which are assigned only with the request of the respective department and upon the approval of the Rectorate. The

housing contract may be extended for an additional 6-month period with the approval of the Rectorate. Guest residences are partially-furnished and they share a common laundry room.

3. **Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse:** [Non-Contracted Visiting Scholars](#) who visit ITU on very short terms may arrange a place to stay at Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse and pay on a daily basis.

For location details, please refer to the [ITU Map](#).

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## Contact Information

### For Public Housing

Administrative and Financial Affairs Directorate/ Housing Unit	0 (212) 285 35 25
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### For Guest Residence

Health, Culture and Sports Directorate	0 (212) 285 39 53
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### For Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse

Bursaries and Dormitories Coordinatorship	0 (212) 285 70 60
E-mail: <a href="mailto:konukevi@itu.edu.tr">konukevi@itu.edu.tr</a>	Extension: 7293

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## On Campus Transportation

**Student shuttles (Ring buses):** Departs every 20 minutes from the dormitory areas from 7:00 AM to 23:30 PM and circles the campus. However, due to the pandemic, the student shuttle services are restricted and no student shuttle service is currently available on the main campus.

**Public Housing Area Shuttles:** This shuttle departs from the public housing area and circles the campus. It operates on the following schedule:

STOPS ON THE ROUTE	
1	Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse
2	Metro - Rectorate
3	Suleyman Demirel Cultural Center (SDKM)
4	Mining Faculty
5	Nuclear Gate Crossroad
6	Public Housing Area

ITU PUBLIC HOUSING AREA SHUTTLE SCHEDULE (WEEKDAYS)	
Departure From Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse	Departure from Public Housing Area
09:00	09:15
09:30	09:45
10:00	10:15
11:00	11:15
12:00	12:15
12:30	12:45
LUNCH BREAK	
13:30	13:45
14:30	14:45
15:30	15:45
16:00	16:15
16:30	16:45
17:30	17:45
18:30	18:45
19:30	19:45

**Inter-campus shuttle:** This shuttle departs from the Ayazağa Campus to the city center in the morning for academic staff who reside at the public houses however work at the city campuses (Gümüşsuyu, Taşkılla, Maçka). The same shuttle returns at the end of the workday to the Ayazağa Campus.

All shuttle bus services are administered by Arı Cultural, Social and Health Services Corporation. For all kind of queries, opinions and complaints:

## Contact Information

Arı Cultural, Social and Health  
Services Corporation  
E-mail: info@ari.kulturel.com.tr

0 (212) 285 70 98

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Library

Mustafa İnan Central Library on Ayazağa Main Campus aims to organize and maintain the circulation of library materials in and outside of the library in order to facilitate education, research and scientific activity in the university while providing ground for the intellectual and personal growth of its users.

The Library works 7 days and 24 hours. Users in this library can borrow materials at any time.

[International Faculties on Contract](#) and [International Researchers on Contract](#) can borrow library materials using their ITU ID cards. They are required to create a library account online and submit a copy of their work contract to the Information Desk on their first visit to the library for borrowing books.

On the other hand, [Non-Contracted Visiting Scholars](#) may benefit from on-site library sources. They are not allowed to borrow books.

For more information about creating library account, borrowing details and loan periods, please go to the website:

<https://kutuphane.itu.edu.tr/en/services>

## Contact Information

Mustafa İnan Central Library	(0212) 285 30 13
Information Desk	(0212) 285 30 13 / Extension: 4121
Lending	(0212) 285 30 13 / Extension: 6619
E-mail : kutuphane@itu.edu.tr	

Mustafa İnan Central Library also has several branches on different campuses. Below are the list of the branches:

BRANCH LIBRARY	TELEFON
Faculty of Mechanical Engineering Ratip Berker Library Gümüşsuyu/İSTANBUL	(0212) 293 13 00 Extension: 2163
Faculty of Architecture Library Taksim/İSTANBUL	(0212) 293 13 00 Extension: 2346
Faculty of Management Library Maçka/İSTANBUL	(0212) 293 13 00 Extention: 2024
Turkish Music State Conservatory Ercümend Berker & Prof. Ş. Şehvar Beşiroğlu Library Archive and Documentation Center Maçka/İSTANBUL	(0212) 293 13 00 Extension: 2189
Maritime Faculty Library Tuzla/İSTANBUL	(0216) 395 10 64 Extension: 1194
Center For Advanced Studies in Music (MIAM) Library Maçka/İstanbul	(0212) 247 17 33 Extension: 129
School of Foreign Languages Library Maçka/İSTANBUL	(0212) 293 13 00 Ext: 2174



# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Health Services

[Health, Culture and Sports Directorate / Health Services Division](#) is in charge of providing primary healthcare services for students, academic and administrative personnel, and their immediate family members at ITU with its three medical centers located at Ayazağa, Maçka, Gümüşsuyu and Taşkışla campuses.

Ayazağa Health Services Unit (Ayazağa Mediko Sosyal) which is located on the main campus serves with 2 primary care physicians, 2 dentists, 1 psychologist, 2 nurses, several health technicians and administrative affairs support personnel.

Emergency examinations and interventions, medical support, treatments of various complaints, medical dressing, blood pressure measurement, full blood count test, and sedimentation and urine analysis, ECG tests are among principal operations performed by Health Services Units.

Ayazağa Health Center has an ambulance for transferring patients to other hospitals when needed.

Maçka Health Services Unit (Maçka Mediko Sosyal) is also equipped with necessary infrastructure for providing primary healthcare services to students, academic and administrative personnel on Maçka Campus.

## Contact Information

HEALTH CENTER UNIT	TELEFON
Ayazağa Health Unit Registration	0 (212) 285 6943
Ayazağa Health Unit Nurse Room	0 (212) 285 3935
Maçka Health Unit Registration	0 (212) 248 5100
FOR AMBULANCE	
Ambulance Driver (Day Time)	0 (535) 883 1892
Emergency Hot Line (7/24)	0 (212) 285 7777

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Sports Facilities and Recreation

The Ayazağa Campus sports and recreational facilities are managed by [Health, Culture and Sports Directorate / Sports Services Division](#).

Sport Services Division has facilities made accessible to all university staff and students using their ITU ID card.

In coordination and with the academic support of [Physical Education Department](#), the Sports Services Division also organizes sporting activities, besides serving as the coordinating body for all sporting facilities on campus. Current extra-curricular sports offerings include aerobics, badminton, basketball, fencing, handball, gymnastics, rowing, table tennis, taekwondo, triathlon, volleyball, among others.

## Facilities:

- Football stadium (5 100-seat capacity and an eight-lane tartan track)
- Swimming pool (Olympic sized)
- Indoor sports hall (2500-seat capacity)
- Indoor & Outdoor Volleyball Courts
- Indoor & Outdoor Basketball Courts
- Indoor & Outdoor tennis courts
- Artificial turf football pitches
- Ping-Pong tables
- Cycling path (6,5 km-long)
- Gymnasium (with extensive workout equipment)

## Contact Information

Sports Services Unit	0 (212) 285 3408
Physical Education Department	0 (212) 285 3408
Olympic Swimming Pool	0 (212) 285 7118



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## Banking Services

There are banking services located around the Ayazağa Campus which provide banking facilities and services to students, staff and visitors.

Vakıfbank is situated next to the Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse with its ATMs.

Additionally, ATMs of other banks are available at strategic locations around the campus, the area near the Civil Engineering Faculty is the main ATM Zone on campus.

Please refer to [ITU Map](#) for location details of the bank and ATM Zone.

Services provided by Vakıfbank:

- General Banking Services
- ATM Facilities
- Fee Payment services
- Private health insurance policy services

## Contact Information

Vakıfbank ITU	0 (212) 276 3608
Call Center	444 0 724

## Postal Services (PTT)

Even in the age of digitalization, some things are only achievable with postal mail. The post office (PTT) is located behind the Faculty of Science and Letters, on Arioğlu Yolu. Please refer to [ITU Map](#) for location details of PTT.

### Services provided by PTT:

- International money order and order payment
- Domestic money order and order payment
- Bill payment services
- Foreign exchange transactions
- E-state password
- Insurance agents transactions
- Air Mail, express mail, registered mail services
- PTTcell new line purchases and activation...

## Contact Information

PTT ITU	0 (212) 276 2026
PTT Customer Support & Call Center	444 17 88

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Dining Halls

At ITU, there are separate academic and student dining halls at each campus. International academic staff may benefit from both academic and student dining halls using their ITU ID Card. Cash Upload Booths are available for uploading money to ID cards at the entrance of dining halls.

Both lunches and evening meals are served at Ayazağa Main Dining Hall.

While observing the required daily calorie intake, monthly menus are determined and calories are calculated by a team composed of food engineers, food technicians and head cook.

Additionally, there are various cafes and restaurants scattered around campus grounds, which suit to all budgets (see [ITU Map](#)).

## Contact Information

Ayazağa Main Dining Hall Administration	0 (212) 285 6940
Gümüşsuyu Dining Hall Administration	0 (212) 293 1313 Extention: 2184
Maçka Dining Hall Administration	0 (212) 293 1313 Extention 2110
Taşkışla Dining Hall Administration	0 (212) 293 1313 Extention: 2185
Tuzla Dining Hall Administration	0 (216) 395 3900 Extention: 347

## Shopping

You can find a variety of shopping opportunities on Ayazağa Campus. Snacks, toiletries, and limited groceries are available at “Migros” located at the entrance of Ayazağa Main Dining Hall, “A101” located near the Informatics Institute and “Şok Market” located behind the Graduate Institute. Please refer to [ITU Map](#) for location of the supermarkets.

At the entrance of the Yılmaz Akdoruk Guesthouse you may find a hairdresser and a barber; in addition to a range of places for dining.

[1773 ITU Store](#), which is located at the entrance of Central Lecture Hall Building (MED) will be the best choice for finding personalized school and office supplies, accessories and clothing with the ITU logo. With a large offering of ITU-customized apparel and merchandise, the store aims to strengthen the bond between alumni population and current student and staff body. Last but not least, a significant part of the revenue generated from the store is donated to new generation ITU students by way of scholarships. Please refer to [ITU Map](#) for location of the 1773 ITU Store.

## Contact Information

1773 ITU Store

0 (212) 276 58 92

# LIFE AT AYAZAĞA MAIN CAMPUS

## Educational Services for Children

ITU operates two nursery schools for children aged 2 to 6, one is located on the Ayazağa Campus and the second on the Maçka Campus.

[Health, Culture and Sports Directorate/ Kindergarten and Preschool Division](#) is the responsible body for administration of nursery schools.

The [ITU Development Foundation Schools](#), which provide education at pre-, primary-, secondary- and high-school-level are also located on the Ayazağa Campus and offer up to 50% discount for children of ITU members on the annual school fee.

## Contact Information

Ayazağa Nursery School	0 (212) 285 3980
Maçka Nursery School	0 (212) 241 2015

## ITU Development Foundation Schools

Dr. Sedat Üründül Preschool	0 (212) 367 13 00
Dr. Natuk Birkan Primary School and Secondary School	0 (212) 367 13 00
Ekrem Elginkan High School	0 (212) 367 13 00

# USEFUL INFORMATION

## ITU Mobil Application

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ITU Mobil is developed by the Information Technologies Directorate to put the personalized resources student and staff need to succeed only a finger click away.

Students, faculty, and staff can easily access dining options, campus map, walking directions and the latest campus events and news via ITU Mobil.

It also includes a shuttle tracker for users to get push notifications regarding bus arrivals and departures.

The application provides access to three radio stations streaming on campus as well.

You can download the ITU Mobil from the links below.

- Android devices:  
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.v2.itumobil>
- iOS devices (iPhone and iPad):  
<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/itu-mobil/id449118128>

## ITU Portal

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ITU Portal is the primary point of contact between the university and its students, faculty and staff in the sense that it is relied on to provide information critical to their role on campus.

You can login to the portal using your ITU-mail and password. The Portal allows you to search, obtain, and carry out all pertinent data and information-based activities without having to contact the respective unit at ITU. To exemplify, you may reach your personal records, payroll records, payroll deductions and service scheme; create your institutional signature; apply for public housing; register to parking facilities; create dining hall reservations; manage your personal account, create and share folders without time consumption and getting lost in thousands of individual pages of the ITU website.

# USEFUL INFORMATION

## Acronym Guide For Buildings on Campus

- DEP Earthquake Engineering and Disaster Management Institute Building (Ayazağa)
- BEB Informatics Institute Building (Ayazağa)
- DMB Maritime Vocational School Building (Ayazağa)
- EEB Electrical and Electronics Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- FEB Faculty of Science and Letters Building (Ayazağa)
- GDB Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- HVZ Olympic Pool (Ayazağa)
- INB Civil Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- KSB Cultural and Art Association (Ayazağa)
- KMB Chemical and Metallurgical Chemistry Building (Ayazağa)
- KORT Tennis Courts (Ayazağa)
- MED Central Lecture Hall (Ayazağa)
- MEDB Gölet Lecture Hall (Ayazağa)
- MDB Mining Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- MOB Motors Building (Ayazağa)
- PYB Project Management Building (Ayazağa)
- RSLN-M Ruhi Sarialp Seminar Hall-Physical Education Department (Ayazağa)
- SLN-M Sports Hall - Physical Education Department (Ayazağa)
- SDKM Süleyman Demirel Cultural Center Building (Ayazağa)
- SMB Sports Center Building (Ayazağa)
- STD ITU Olympic Stadium (Ayazağa)
- SYM Fitness Center (Ayazağa)
- UUB Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- UZEM Distance Learning Center Building (Ayazağa)
- YDB Structural Engineering Building (Ayazağa)
- MOBGAM Dr. Orhan Öcalgiray Molecular Biology-Biotechnology and Genetics Research Center (Ayazağa)
- ENB Energy Institute Building (Ayazağa)
- HLB Hydraulic Laboratory Building (Ayazağa)



# FOR REFERENCE

## Your go to Contact at ITU: International Academics & Researchers Orientation Office

International Academics & Researchers Orientation Office, a sub-division of The Office of International Affairs, has been recently founded to provide the necessary support with regard to all aspects of international academics' and researchers' life at ITU and their life in Turkey.

As such, in collaboration with different academic and administrative units at ITU, the office handles enquiries from prospective international academics, visitors and researchers; organizes orientation days for new international staff; facilitates the arrival of new staff by providing necessary information before and after arrival; organizes events for the international community of ITU; operates as a "drop-in" center for international members of the university; assists with residence permit and other enquiries, etc...

You can always contact the Office and request support if you do not know where to go and who to contact.

The Office is located on the Ayazaga Campus, on the third floor of the Graduate School Building, Room: 306.

### Contact Information

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## Holidays and Important Days in Turkey

### Public Holidays

1 January- First day of year  
 23 April- National Sovereignty and Children's Day  
 1 May- Labour and Solidarity Day  
 19 May- The Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day  
 15 July- Democracy and National Unity Day  
 30 August- Victory Day  
 29 October- Republic Day

### Religious Holidays

Eid al-fitr (Ramadan Feast)  
 Eid al-adha - (Feast of Sacrifice)

Dates for religious holidays are calculated by the Islamic Lunar Calendar, and move forward by 11 days each year, please check accordingly.

### Emergency Calls

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Emergency	112
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Faculty of Naval Architecture and Marine Sciences	6
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Altan Edige Female Dormitory	4
Zeynep Birkan Female Dormitory	5
Prof. Dr. Ali İhsan Aldoğan Female Dormitory	6
Aroğlu- Gök - Verda Üründül Female Dormitories	7
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Event and Protocol Directorate	7
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Cafe	13
Cafe	14
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75th Year Student Social Center - Refectory	7
Yılmaz Akdoruk Guest House	8
Bank	9
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Student Deanship	1
Student Affairs Directorate	1
Molecular Biology-Biotechnology and Genetics Research Center (MOBGAM)	2
Automotive Technologies Research and Development Center (OTAM)	3
Prof. Dr. Adnan Tekin Materials Science and Manufacturing Technology Application and Research Center	4
Satellite Communications and Remote Sensing Center (CSCRS)	5
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● Cycle Track

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● Pedestrian Entrance

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cycle tracks and stations all around the campus

traffic-free pedestrian track

accessible and environment-friendly

650.000 m<sup>2</sup> forest land | 40.000 m<sup>2</sup> green area | 20.000 m<sup>2</sup> pond

İTÜ green campus

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- LinkedIn: /school/itu1773
- ITÜ Mobil



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## Mini Vocabulary

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Yes .....	Evet (Eh•VET)
No.....	Hayır (High•YUHR)
Please .....	Lütfen (LEWT•fen)
Excuse me! .....	Affedersiniz! (ah•FEH•dehr•sin•nizz)
Okay .....	Tamam (TAH•mam)
Thank you .....	Teşekkür ederim (Teh•SHEK•kewr•eh•deh•rim)
How are you? .....	Nasılsınız? (NAH•suhl•suh•nuhz)
Fine, thanks .....	İyiyim, teşekkürler (EE•yee•yeem•teh•SHEK•kyur•lehr)
Goodbye. (said by departing persons) .....	Hosçakalın. (HOSH•chah•kah•luhn)
Goodbye. (said by persons staying behind) .....	Güle güle (GOO•leh•GOO•leh)
See you later .....	Tekrar görüşmek üzere (TEHK•rahr•goo•roosh•MEHK•oo•ZEH•reh)
Water .....	Su (Soo)
Very cheap.....	Çok ucuz (Chok•oo•juz)
Very expensive .....	Çok pahalı (Chok•pa•HA•luh)

I don't understand .....	Anlamıyorum (An•LAH•mee•yo•room)
How much? .....	Ne kadar? (NEH•kah•dahr)
Do you speak English? .....	İngilizce biliyor musunuz? (EEN•geh•leez•JEH•bill•ee•YOHR•moo•soo•nooz)
The airport .....	Havaalanı (HA•vah•ah•LAHN•uh)
The railway [train] station .....	Tren garı (TREHN•gah•RUH)
The bus station .....	Otobüs garajı (OH•toh•byus•gah•RAH•juh)
The underground [subway] station .....	Metro istasyonu (MEH•troh•ee•STAH•syoh•noo)
How far is it?.....	Ne kadar uzakta? (NEH•kah•dahr•oo•ZAHK•tah)
Ticket .....	Bilet (bee•LEHT)
Where can I buy tickets? ..	Nereden bilet alabilirim? (NEH•reh•dehn• bee•LEHT•ah•lah•bee•LEER•im)
Where can I rent a car? .....	Nereden bir araba kiralayabilirim? (NEH•reh•dehn•beer• AH•rah•bah•KEE•rah•lah•yah•bee•LEER•im)
Can I have a map? .....	Bir harita alabilir miyim? (beer•AH•reeh•tah•ah•lah•bee•LEER•mee•yeem)

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