

INTERNATIONAL
THEOLOGY GRADUATE
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION GUIDE











Türkiye Diyanet Foundation is a non-profit, nongovernmental organization established on March 13, 1975 to assist and support the Presidency of Religious Affairs. It carries out studies in seven continents to reach wider masses of religious services and orienting human resources to take part in religious services.

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OUR TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

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Since the day it was founded, Türkiye Diyanet Foundation has been working to raise self-confident individuals who are experts in their fields, who understand our deep-rooted civilizational heritage, who are concerned about the problems of the ummah.

Our Foundation, which provides scholarships to successful students and opens higher education student dormitories, student guest houses, colleges, and universities, builds bridges of hearts between nations by offering education opportunities in Türkiye to students from 114 countries with projects such as International Anatolian Imam Hatip High School, International Theology Undergraduate, and Graduate Programs.

Our Foundation, which fills an important gap with the opportunities it provides in the field of education, continues its activities with its 49 years of experience and accumulation.





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Education Is Our Priority

Within the framework of our activities abroad, education and scholarship opportunities are provided to 11,514 students in a total of 33 educational institutions in 15 countries, including Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Kosovo, Romania, Bulgaria, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Haiti, Mongolia, Palestine, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, Afghanistan, Tanzania, Georgia and Somalia. To date, 12,842 students have graduated from these educational institutions.

The Diyanet Scholarships Program is an important part of our Foundation's educational activities. We have 2,853 students from abroad, 114 countries, who come to Türkiye and pursue their studies at the Imam Hatip High School, the Theological College, the master's and Ph.D. level.

Our purpose is to offer this opportunity to Muslim communities throughout the world, which in general have no access to education and training, and in particular no access to religious education. In accordance with our goal of organization, it is to promote and contribute to the development of religious education in Muslim communities, wherever they are in the world.





THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

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Postgraduate scholarship programs in theology enable students to gain the ability to access, compile, interpret and evaluate knowledge using scientific research methods. It provides the student with the necessary skills to conduct independent research, analyze and interpret scientific problems and data with a wide and deep perspective, and reach new syntheses.

In addition to gaining a perspective on the nature and purpose of scientific study, it is our goal that our scholars who intend to acquire critical thinking and interpretation skills provide comprehensive ethical solutions to the problems of our age with the Islamic science and thought tradition, perspective on scientific knowledge, scientific work ethic and discipline. Pieces of training to be given to our scholarship holders for this purpose include applied courses which will enable them to gain basic skills such as methodology, research, writing and presentation techniques that they will need in their postgraduate education. These courses and training, which will cover the fall and spring semesters, will contribute to their development by providing guidance.





OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED TO SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

- Scholarship support will be provided for a duration of 12 months,
- Türkiye Diyanet Foundation provides free accommodation support to students requesting housing in its dormitories.
- Health insurance/healthcare expenses will be covered by Türkiye Diyanet Foundation,
- Tuition and residence fees will be covered by Türkiye Diyanet Foundation,
- Transportation costs of students who come from abroad will be covered by Türkiye Diyanet Foundation for their first arrival and when they return to their countries after graduating from their program.





Practical courses are offered to enable them to acquire basic skills such as methodology, research, writing and presentation techniques which they will need in their postgraduate education. Within this context;

Foreign Language Studies

In order to increase the efficiency of academic studies in Arabic and English language a studies group will be formed as part of the scholarship program.

Seminars

Seminars are planned with the aim of improving the theoretical/methodological knowledge and skills of researchers. They will be held for 24 weeks in the spring and fall terms, spread over the whole year.

Academic Text Production Studies

Within the scope of academic text production studies, it is aimed to make applications for writing different types of texts such as articles, book promotions, communiqués and bulletins.

Specialisation Studies in the Field of Science

In order to increase the competencies of our scholars in the field in which they do postgraduate studies, the current and basic problems, issues, etc. of the field will be discussed with the teachers of the field in specialization groups.





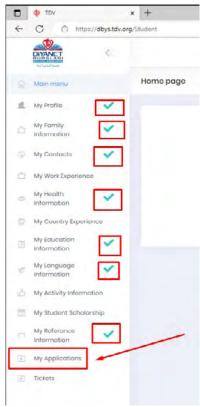
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN APPLICATIONS

Read the application guide carefully. Complete your membership to the Diyanet Scholarships Management System at http://dbys.tdv.org. Write your name and surname as written on your passport or ID card. Do not use nicknames or titles. Then follow these steps:

- 1. Upload your profile picture.
- 2. Complete Family Information.
- Complete Contact Information.
 (Keeping your contact details current and accurate is important for ensuring scholarship results are healthy)
- 4. Complete Health Information.
- 5. Complete the Education Information.
- 6. Complete the Language Information.
- 7. Complete the Reference Information.

(If the above-mentioned information is incorrect or incomplete, your reference will be invalid)

Once you have completed these steps, please apply for the appropriate scholarship program on time. Please check



the "My Applications" menu to verify that your application has been successfully received.

MASTER'S PROGRAM APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- To not be a citizen of the Republic of Turkiye, (graduates from the International Theology License Program are excluded from this condition. These students have to apply with their foreign ID.)
- To be born after 01.01.1994.
- To not have paused academic education for a duration of more than two years between the Bachelor's degree graduation and the acceptation to the postgraduate program,
- To have a Bachelor's degree thesis, (if the university the student graduated from offered a thesis program)
- To have graduated from Divinity, Islamic Studies or a program of equivalent value or to be able to graduate by the date of July 2024,
- To not have any mental or physical health problem which would cause an obstacle to studies in Turkiye,
- To not have received any disciplinary punishments or convictions during previous periods of education,
- Students who graduated abroad require an internationally recognized language certificate, (such as for English: TOEFL, IELTS, CPE, CAE, iBT and PTE / for German: TestDaF, DSD II, TELC Deutsch and Goethe Institute / for French: DELF and DALF / for Italian: CELI / for Spanish: DELE / for Russian: TORFL / for Arabic: ALPT)
- Foreign students who graduated in Turkiye or will be able to graduate by the time of July 2024 require to have reached a score of at least 50 in the YDS/ YÖKDİL language exams which are organized by ÖSYM,
- Preferably, foreign students who graduated in Turkiye or will be able to graduate by the time of July 2024 require to have reached a score of at least 55 in the ALES exam which is organized by ÖSYM,
- · Preferably, to have published an internationally recognized edition.



CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION FOR THE DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- To not be a citizen of the Republic of Turkiye, (graduates from the International Theology License Program are excluded from this condition. These students have to apply with their foreign ID.)
- To be born after 01.01.1989.
- To not have paused academic education for a duration of more than two years between the Master degree graduation and the acceptation to the doctoral program,
- To have a Master degree thesis,
- To have graduated from Divinity, Islamic Studies or a program of equivalent value or to be able to graduate by the date of July 2024,
- To not have any mental or physical health problem which would cause an obstacle to studies in Turkiye,
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Evaluation of Applications and Interview Process

Applications are performed by document and information checks to complete the preliminary evaluation process—Applicants are then invited to face-to-face interviews in their respective countries. Candidates in interviews are evaluated according to the following areas;

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- Months in the Number of States of States in the Number of States of State
- Basic religious knowledge (Faith, worship, Sirah ethics)
- General culture
- Self-expression ability
- Preference awareness
- Domain knowledge
- Special talent
- Language skills

Interview Centers

Interviews are held at the centers determined by the Türkiye Diyanet Foundation, primarily the Embassies of the Republic of Türkiye.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERVIEW RESULTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF SCHOLARSHIP **PROCESS**

As a result of the interviews, the students who were accepted to the Diyanet Scholarships; e-mail notifications sent about visas, transfer to Türkiye, and registration to the educational institution.

At this stage, students are required to check their e-mail regularly.

Note:

- 1. Students can receive 1 year of scientific preparatory education depending on the university and department they are established in.
- 2. Students accepted into the scholarship program will sign a commitment to attach to scholarship requirements and disciplinary rules before arriving in Türkiye.

Students accepted into the · Scholarship program are placed in one of the following State universities in the cities of Ankara, Bursa, Istanbul, Konya or Kayseri.

- I. **Ankara University**
- II. Ankara Social Sciences University
- III. Istanbul University,
- IV. Marmara University,
- V. 29 Mayıs University,
- VI. Bursa Uludağ University,
- VII. Konya Necmettin Erbakan University
- VIII. Kayseri Ercives University



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