Humanities and Social Sciences



General Information About the Faculty

The faculty aims to contribute to science and society by nurturing individuals who are proficient in understanding people and society. With a strong academic staff and national-international collaborations, it offers students double major and minor options for a second diploma. Supported by technological facilities, the education provided enhances students' analytical thinking and research skills, preparing them for success on an international level.

Psychology



General Information

The Psychology Department at Istinye University, which welcomed its first students in the 2017-2018 academic year, is dedicated to providing contemporary, evidence-based theoretical knowledge and practical skills in psychology. The department features a dynamic faculty with expertise in subfields such as Social, Forensic, Cognitive, Political, Clinical Psychology, and Neuroscience. Faculty members, who have completed studies at leading universities in Turkey and Europe, are actively involved in national and international academic research and publications.

The curriculum, designed in alignment with the accreditation criteria of the Turkish Psychological Association, ensures students receive a qualified undergraduate education. It includes a diverse range of compulsory and elective courses, enabling exploration of various psychology fields and interdisciplinary subjects. Additionally, voluntary observation and practical courses provide students with opportunities to develop their skills, engage in scientific research, and prepare for their professional careers, fostering creative and scientific approaches in line with Istinyelik culture.



Career Prospects After Graduation

Graduates of the Psychology Department at Istinye University are well-equipped to pursue careers in diverse fields within both the public and private sectors. Employment opportunities include roles in clinical psychology, counseling, human resources, social services, and research. Graduates may work in institutions affiliated with the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Family and Social Policies, and Ministry of Labor and Social Security, as well as in schools, children's homes, kindergartens, daycare centers, guidance and psychological counseling centers, mental health units, and public opinion or market research companies. Graduates also have the opportunity to further specialize through postgraduate studies in subfields such as clinical psychology, cognitive psychology, organizational psychology, or neuroscience, expanding their expertise and opening doors to academic and research careers. Additionally, the program's partnership with Medical Park and Liv Hospital chains offers unique voluntary observation opportunities, enabling students to gain hands-on experience that enhances their preparation for professional success.



What Makes the Department of Psychology Unique?

	Diverse Faculty Expertise: Faculty members possess expertise in various subfields of psychology, including Social, Forensic, Cognitive, Clinical Psychology, and Neuroscience, and have strong international academic backgrounds.
Ш	Research Opportunities: Students are encouraged to engage in scientific research and publish their findings, gaining valuable academic experience during their undergraduate studies.
п	Applied Courses: The program emphasizes practical skill development through applied courses, enabling students to distinguish themselves among other psychology graduates.
п	Interdisciplinary Learning: A broad selection of elective courses, including language-based and university-wide options, allows students to explore interdisciplinary knowledge.
	Career-Oriented Support: The program offers guidance to motivated students for gaining voluntary experience in professional institutions, supported by Istinye University's partnerships with the Medical Park and Liv Hospital chains.
ì	International Outlook: With its dynamic structure and academic environment, the department prepares students for global career opportunities and advanced studies.

English Language and Literature



General Information

The Department of English Language and Literature at Istinye University began accepting students in 2018. The program offers a unique structure, integrating English Language and Literature courses with English Teaching, Translation and Interpretation, a second foreign language, and even an optional third foreign language. Designed to provide a foundational understanding of literature, the program also equips students with expertise in their fields.

The curriculum covers the major genres and periods of English literature, with a strong focus on text analysis and criticism. Students can also explore courses in American Literature, Comparative Literature, Linguistics, Foreign Language Teaching Methods, Translation, Academic English, and Social Sciences. This rich and interdisciplinary curriculum aims to foster students' academic, aesthetic, and intellectual growth, enabling graduates to become well-rounded, intellectual global citizens who continue their self-development in diverse fields.



Career Prospects After Graduation

Graduates of Istinye University's English Language and Literature program have diverse career opportunities across various fields. Their strong foundation in literature, linguistics, translation, and critical thinking equips them for roles in media, including television and journalism, as well as publishing, advertising, and public relations. Their expertise in language and communication also prepares them for careers in human resources, translation, and interpreting.

Additionally, with the program's focus on education methods, graduates can pursue careers in English language teaching or foreign language education. This multidisciplinary approach ensures that alumni are versatile professionals, well-prepared to succeed in a global job market.



What Makes the Department of English Language and Literature Unique?

	Multidisciplinary Education: The program combines English Language and Literature with English Teaching and Translation Studies, enhanced by second and optional third foreign language education.
	Diverse Course Content: Students explore core English literature genres and periods, alongside courses in American and Comparative Literature, Linguistics, Translation, Academic English, and Teaching Methods.
ı	Critical and Analytical Focus: Emphasizing text analysis and criticism, the program equips students with skills for academic and professional success.
ı	Career-Oriented Training: Graduates are prepared for careers in media, publishing, advertising, human resources, translation, and English teaching, offering a competitive edge.
	Global Perspective: The program promotes multiculturalism, social responsibility, and intellectual growth, shaping students into global citizens.

English Interpretation and Translation



General Information

The Department of English Translation and Interpreting trains translators to meet the dynamic demands of the technology and information age with a versatile and evolving curriculum. Core courses cover the theoretical and practical aspects of oral and written translation, while specialized courses include media, medical, technical, literary translation, and translation technologies, conducted in a state-of-the-art Simultaneous Interpretation Laboratory. Students also learn at least two additional foreign languages and can choose electives from fields like English Literature and Language Teaching. The program equips graduates with the skills to excel in diverse translation roles and fosters adaptability to the ever-changing global landscape of translation and interpreting.



Career Prospects After Graduation

Graduates of the Department of English Translation and Interpreting are equipped to work in diverse fields across the private and public sectors. They can take on roles such as translators, editors, teachers, and customer service representatives in institutions like ministries, courts, translation agencies, media organizations, educational institutions, healthcare organizations, tourism companies, and more. With courses in English Language Teaching and English Literature, graduates can also pursue postgraduate studies in these areas, Translation Studies, or embark on academic careers, expanding their opportunities in translation, interpretation, and international business.



What Makes the Department of English Interpretation and Translation Unique?

A dynamic and regularly updated curriculum.

A fully equipped Simultaneous Interpretation Laboratory.

Opportunities to learn a second and third foreign language.

The ability to easily pursue a Minor or Double Major, with up to 70% shared courses with the English Language and Literature Department.

A diverse range of specialized courses.

Turkish Language and Literature



General Information

The Department offers a four-year undergraduate program with Turkish as the medium of instruction. The program is designed to train students in research, critical analysis, and effective communication, focusing on the structure, evolution, and history of the Turkish language and literature, as well as its connections with other languages.

Key objectives of the program include:

- Educating individuals to analyze and explain literary concepts, movements, theories, and texts.
- Promoting the correct, eloquent, and effective use of Turkish.
- Fostering a culture of reading and enhancing fundamental language skills.
- Developing strong communication abilities.

Students engage in comprehensive studies covering all periods of Turkish language and literature, from historical to contemporary aspects. The program emphasizes lifelong learning and equips students with the skills to contribute to the field of language and literature. International students may enroll after completing the Turkish Preparatory Program.



Career Prospects After Graduation

Graduates of the Department of Turkish Language and Literature have diverse career opportunities in both the public and private sectors. They can work in libraries, archives, and cultural institutions such as the Ministry of Culture and TRT (Turkish Radio and Television Corporation). Those who pursue graduate education can become faculty members or researchers at national and international universities. Additionally, graduates who obtain a teaching certificate can teach in secondary schools. They can also pursue careers as writers or editors for newspapers and magazines, contributing to the literary and cultural fields.



What Makes the Department of Turkish Language and Literature Unique?

The faculty members of the Department of Turkish Language and Literature at Istinye University's Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences are graduates of prestigious universities and have made significant contributions to the field through their publications, including books and articles. The department's curriculum features core courses as well as a variety of university-wide elective courses. Graduates of the program can further their education by enrolling in a Master's Program and pursuing an academic career.