

Medicine**i****General Information**

The ISU Faculty of Medicine's Strategic Aims (SA) and Strategic Objectives (SO) are organized under six key areas:

- 01.** Education and Training
- 02.** Research and Scientific Studies
- 03.** Community-Oriented Service
- 04.** Stakeholder Relations
- 05.** Institutional and Academic Development
- 06.** Internationalization

These aims and objectives have been defined based on a SWOT analysis and stakeholder feedback, aligned with our university's goals, to ensure that the faculty makes strong strides toward its vision.

The Faculty of Medicine has designed a pre-graduation training program featuring 22 core competencies for the departments, grouped into three competency areas and eight domains. This participant-centered approach, detailed on our website, shares the program's objectives and competencies with stakeholders. The Faculty of Medicine uses these competencies to shape the curriculum's creation, implementation, and ongoing improvement.

Our primary goal is for students to acquire these competencies, supporting both professional and personal growth. Graduates are prepared with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes required for effective medical practice, enabling them to excel as physicians nationally and internationally.

The six-year Pre-Graduation Medical Education program includes three main stages:

- 01.** Pre-clinical Education
- 02.** Clinical Education
- 03.** Internship

**Career Prospects After Graduation**

Graduates who receive a Medical Doctor diploma are assigned by the Ministry of Health for compulsory service through a lottery system. They may be appointed to primary health care roles in various health units, such as community health centers or emergency services within public hospitals. Graduates who apply to "Specialization in Medicine" programs in Basic, Clinical, or Surgical Medical Sciences can work as residents in training at university hospitals or Ministry of Health Education and Research Hospitals.

Following compulsory service and/or specialization training, graduates can pursue careers as physicians in public institutions, the private sector, research institutes, or universities. Non-citizen graduates of Turkish medical faculties are eligible to apply for residency programs in Turkey and may work in the private sector under current laws and regulations.

Graduates who successfully complete their medical education may also pursue advanced degree programs. Those who pass the central Medical Specialization Exam can enter Residency Programs, while those with adequate foreign language proficiency can apply to Doctorate (PhD) programs, subject to passing required entrance exams.



What Makes the Faculty of Medicine Unique?

Strong Ties to Leading Hospital Brands: Founded by the 21st Century Anatolia Foundation under MLP Care, Istinye University enjoys direct affiliations with renowned healthcare providers—Liv Hospital and Medical Park. This partnership offers students extensive, practical experience in top-tier healthcare settings. Additionally, the MLP Care Group operates six international hospitals located in Baku, Azerbaijan; Budapest, Hungary; Dubai, United Arab Emirates; London, United Kingdom; Nicosia, Northern Cyprus; and Pristina, Kosovo. Furthermore, the group is planning to establish new hospitals in Germany and Saudi Arabia.

Integration of Technology and Research: The faculty combines evidence-based medical education with advanced technology and a strong research focus. Programs are designed to keep pace with medical advancements, including opportunities in fields like Artificial Intelligence in medicine, in collaboration with the Faculty of Engineering.

Comprehensive Clinical Training: Clinical education is supported by Liv Hospital Bahçeşehir, an Applied Medicine and Research Center, and Medical Park Gaziosmanpaşa Hospital, providing students with hands-on experience in real healthcare environments.

Career-Focused Education: The compulsory “Business Life Program” equips students with essential career skills through internships and partnerships with top employers, preparing them for the job market and helping them develop a strong professional identity.