

## MARMARA UNIVERSITY



#### Faculty of Theology

#### **Ottoman Roots**

- Marmara University's history goes back to the establishment of the Hamidiye Ticaret Mekteb-i Ālīsi (Hamidiye College of Higher Commercial Education) in 1883 during the Ottoman Empire.
- \* Nearly a hundred years later the College officially became Marmara University in 1982.

# Today

- Today the University is one of the most prestigious universities in Turkey with 17 faculties, 11 institutes, 8 vocational schools and colleges, 25 centers for research and application and one hospital.
- \* Marmara University has close to 3,400 academic staff and more than 77,800 students.
- At various faculties it provides education through at least five different languages: Turkish, English, Arabic, French, and German (the last two generally connected with the School of Foreign Languages)

# Academic Faculties of Marmara University

- Faculty of Arts and Sciences : Departments: Sociology, Psychology, Mathematics, history etc.
- Ataturk Faculty of Education: Departments: Elementary Education, Primary Mathematics Teacher Education, Social Sciences Teacher Education etc.
- Faculty of Theology: Departments: Basic Islamic Sciences, Philosophy and Religious Studies etc.

- Faculty of Business
- \* Faculty of Communication
- \* Faculty of Dentistry
- \* Faculty of Economics
- \* Faculty of Engineering
- \* Faculty of Fine Arts
- \* Faculty of Health Sciences
- \* Faculty of Law
- \* Faculty of Medicine
- \* Faculty of Pharmacy
- \* Faculty of Political Sciences
- \* Faculty of Sports
- \* Faculty of Technical Education
- \* Faculty of Technology

#### Structure of Semester

Fall Semester: Mid-September to Mid-January Spring Semester: February to June

Each Semester is divided into 2 parts (7 weeks each) with a midterm exam in the middle and finals at the end.

## Marmara Ilahiyat



\* Approximately 150 Academic staff

\* Approximately 4300 undergraduate and postgraduate students on Campus



# The Faculty of Theology

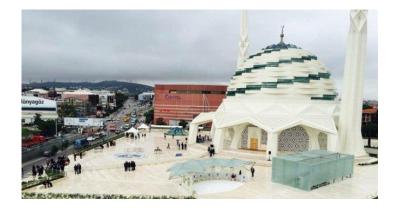






## **Three Main Departments**









## **BASIC ISLAMIC SCIENCES**

This department is one of the oldest programs in the Faculty. Its well-established subjects include the interpretation of the Qur'an, the Hadith, Religious Education, Jurisprudence, the principles of Islamic belief, the theological and intellectual denominations and sects in Islam, and Sufism.

The programme consists of eight departments: Department of Qur'an Recitation, Qur'anic Exegesis, Hadith, Islamic Jurisprudence, Kalam (Theology), History of Islamic Sects, Sufism, and Arabic Language and Rhetoric.

## **PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

- This department offers courses on a wide range of social sciences, including the historical development of philosophical thought, the intellectual trends in Islamic and Western thought, the interaction between Islamic and Western thought, the nature of religion, the relation between reason and revelation, the beginning of religions and diverse creeds, the manifestations of religion in social and individual life, the methods and rules for thinking correctly, and the history of religious education and its position in contemporary educational systems.
- Utilizing the diverse methods and theories of the various fields of the humanities, such as philosophy, sociology, logic, psychology, and education, the programme in Philosophy and Religious Studies provides its students a unique opportunity to analyse the phenomenon of religion from a comprehensive perspective.
- The programme consists of eight main departments: History of Philosophy, Islamic Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Logic, History of Religions, Sociology of Religion, Psychology of Religion, and Religious Education.

#### **ISLAMIC HISTORY AND ARTS**

- The department of Islamic History and Arts offers courses on central themes relating to political, social, cultural, literary, and artistic developments over the approximately 1,450 years of Islamic history.
- The inclusive nature of the programme enables students to have comprehensive access to the history of the Islamic religion. They should be able to develop a solid historical and chronological grasp of the diverse topics of the field, read archival documents, and attain a systematic understanding of the various forms of Islamic Arts (poetry, music, literature, etc.).
- The department houses four departments under its roof: the department of Islamic History, the department of History of Turkish-Islamic Arts, the department of Turkish-Islamic Literature, and the department of Turkish Religious Music.

## Four BA Programmes

- The Turkish Language Theology BA degree conducted in Turkish (70%) and Arabic (30%), with a one-year preparatory Arabic language class for students.
- The International Theology BA degree, which was established in 2006 is open to international students of Turkish descent. These courses are also conducted in Turkish (%70) and Arabic (%30), and there is a one-year preparatory Arabic language class for students. The programme educates students to provide religious services for Turks living in foreign countries.
- The English Theology BA degree, which started in the 2010-2011 academic year, established a new programme in order to open its gates to Turkish and international students who seek to gain a well-grounded academic education in the fields of Islamic Theology and Religious Studies through the English language. The courses are conducted in the English language, and there is a one-year preparatory English language class for students.
- \* Arabic Theology BA degree was established in the academic year of 2015-2016 academic year. The courses are conducted in the Arabic language, and there is a one-year preparatory Arabic language class for students who do not have the required level in the language.

# COURSES AT THE FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

| Undergraduate<br>Degree<br>Programmes                    | Enrolment | Length of<br>Study            | National Credit<br>(Required +<br>Elective) | ECTS |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------|---|------|
| Theology   | 280+80    | 1 (Arabic Prep)<br>+ 4 years  | 180 (156 + 24 )                             | 240  |
| International<br>Theology<br>(International<br>Students) | 40        | 1 (Arabic Prep)<br>+ 4 years  | 180 (156 + 24)                              | 240  |
| Theology<br>(English)                                    | 40        | 1 (English Prep)<br>+ 4 years | 180 (156 + 24)                              | 240  |
| Theology<br>(Arabic)                                     | 40        | 1 (Arabic Prep)<br>+ 4 years  | 180 (156 + 24)                              | 240  |

Module Examples From Ilahiyat Faculty and Education Faculty

- \* ILH4108 Din Eğitimi Religious Education
- \* ILH4104 Dinler Tarihi History of Religions
- \* ILH3113 Din Psikolojisi Psychology of Religion
- \* ILH3111 Tasavvuf I Sufism I
- \* ILH4871 Din Eğitiminde Gelişmeler Developments in Religious Education
- \* ILH3114 Din Sosyolojisi Sociology of Religion
- \* EGT4904 Türk Eğitim Sistemi ve Okul Yönetimi Turkish Educational System and School Management
- \* EGT2504 Sınıf Yönetimi Classroom Management
- \* EGT3501 Öğretim İlke ve Yöntemleri Principles and Methods of Teaching
- \* EGT4502 Öğretmenlik Uygulaması Teaching Practice

#### International Face of the Faculty of Theology Erasmus And Mevlana

- \* Marmara University has an International Student Office that is connected to all the faculties and institutes of the University and assists foreign students to address all their needs during their stay in Istanbul.
- \* The Marmara University EU Office coordinates activities concerning the Erasmus Program in the university, visit http://international.marmara.edu.tr/erasmusprogramme for more information. Each faculty has its own coordinator to offer students and staff information on the Erasmus Program and to help them through the application process
- \* The Mevlana Exchange programme is an international exchange program that aims at exchanging students and academic staff between the Turkish higher education institutions and higher education institutions of non-European countries.

# The Ilahiyat Faculty and its International Links

- The Faculty of Theology has in the International Theology (International Students) programme about 200 students of Turkish descent who are citizens of European countries.
- \* The Faculty has signed cooperation, exchange, and collaboration agreements with many prestigious international education institutions such as University of Nebraska (USA), Goethe University Frankfurt (Germany), Giessen University (Germany), University of Cologne (Germany), Osnabruck University Institute for Islamic Theology(Germany), University of Tubingen Center for Islamic Theology (Germany), Newman University Birmingham (UK), Sharjah University (United Arab Emirates).

#### Istanbul-A City of Two Continents

