

study abroad in turkey



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WHY TURKEY? Turkey, the bridge uniting Europe and Asia, is a land of myriad cultures. The cradle of many civilizations, Turkish landscapes are dotted with impressive historic ruins and monuments of past empires. The Global Partners Semester in Turkey Program, which takes you to both Istanbul and Ankara, offers you the opportunity to experience this rich blend of past and present first hand.



ISTANBUL

The semester of study begins in Istanbul, the only city in the world built on two continents. Standing on the shores of the beautiful Bosphorus Strait, where the waters of the Black Sea flow into the Sea of Marmara and the Golden Horn, Istanbul is home to priceless relics of the three empires of which she has been capital — a unique link between East and West, past and present. Today, beneath the enduring skyline of domes and minarets, the port city of Istanbul is alive with bustling crowds traveling the cobblestone streets and the clamor of vendors shouting to passersby from the colorful markets.

Your time in Istanbul will include Turkish language study and a core course. In-class time will be supplemented by trips to important sites within Istanbul such as the Blue Mosque, the magnificent Aya Sofya and the Grand Bazaar. The conclusion of this segment of the program is a field study trip during which you will visit a full range of ancient, Ottoman and modern sites in western Turkey.

“...listening and dancing to Turkish folk music...”

“One of my favorite things about being in Turkey was experiencing the folklore! Some of my most vivid memories involve listening and dancing to Turkish folk music, seeing Turkish theatre, watching and learning folk dance and hearing Turkish folk stories and wisdom.”



GLOBAL PARTNERS PROGRAM IN TURKEY

Global Partners is pleased to offer you the opportunity to study for a semester in Turkey. Turkey is one of the most diverse and fascinating countries of the world. The country's unique location makes it the crossroads of Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Turkey blends Eastern and Western elements to create an exciting culture unlike any other. From Istanbul's Blue Mosque to the Mediterranean's blue waters, Turkey constantly fascinates its visitors.

The program's director, selected from a Global Partners Project institution, has extensive knowledge of and experience in Turkey, as well as the Middle East and is experienced in leading study abroad programs. The director leads a core course on Turkish society, including history, politics and art, and is available for guidance and consultation throughout the semester.

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“I encountered so many kind and generous people, had so many interesting conversations, and shared and learned so many different ways of seeing things. I know that my view of the world broadened significantly while on this program.”



ANKARA

Like Istanbul, the capital city of Ankara is an exciting fusion of museums, ancient churches, palaces and mosques along with modern Turkish culture. Home to the Turkish Parliament and to the international diplomatic community, Ankara also is the gateway to the rich and diverse cultures of Central Anatolia. As the transportation center of Turkey, Ankara offers you the chance to travel anywhere in the country in a matter of a few hours. You are only a short trip away from Konya, where the tomb of the medieval saint and poet Rumi is located; Cappadocia, home to the underground stone cities of ancient Christians; and the beautiful coasts of both the Black Sea and the Mediterranean. A major university city, Ankara's streets are brimming with the youthful energy of students throughout the year. After studying in Istanbul, the Turkish language and core courses continue, and you will be able to choose from a wide variety of courses at Bilkent or Middle East Technical University (METU), many pertinent to your major.

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

The Istanbul portion of the semester is offered in cooperation with Istanbul Technical University (ITU), one of Turkey's oldest and most highly-respected universities, with distinguished faculty in a full range of disciplines. Visit the ITU website at: www.itu.edu.tr/.

Bilkent University is a private university founded in 1984. The university has eight faculties: art, design and architecture; business administration; economics, administrative and social sciences; education; engineering; humanities and letters; music and performing arts; and science. Visit the Bilkent website at: www.bilkent.edu.tr/. METU is a public university founded in 1956. The university has five faculties: architecture; arts and sciences; economic and administrative sciences; education; and engineering. Visit the METU website at: www.metu.edu.tr/. All classes at Bilkent and METU are taught in English.

Global Partners Semester in Turkey

Program Components	Istanbul	Ankara
Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two weeks of intensive language study (2 credit hrs) • The core course, which provides an introduction to the history, politics, economy and religions of Turkey (4 credit hrs) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two or three courses chosen from extensive offerings at Bilkent and METU (6-9 credit hrs) • Language course continues* • Core course continues
Housing and Food	On-campus housing is provided at ITU. Numerous food options are available on and off campus.	On-campus housing is provided at either Bilkent or METU. Numerous food options are available on and off campus.
Director	The program director leads the core course and studies with students throughout the semester. The director, chosen from a Global Partners Project institution, is a faculty member experienced in Turkey and in leading study abroad programs.	
Field Trips	A field study trip through western Turkey concludes the first segment of the program. The trip visits major sites, such as Gallipoli, Troy, Pergamon, Sardis, Izmir, Ephesos and Gordion. Additional field trips may take place from Ankara during the semester.	
Cost	The cost of the program is \$12,000. This includes tuition, housing, field trip and meals during the field trip only. Consult with your home campus study abroad director about your institution's policies and the possibility of financial aid.	
Dates	August 13 – December 21, 2007 (approximate)	
Application Process	Consult with your study abroad director for more information. Be sure to visit our website, where you will find more information and an application – www.global-partners.org/turkey/studyabroad .	
Application Deadline	February 15, 2007 – Applications received after this date are considered on a space available basis.	

*Note: In exceptional cases an application for a waiver of the language requirement may be submitted.

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