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General Introduction to the Faculty

Understanding the society it is part of, identifying the needs of that society, and responding to those needs when necessary are the primary educational and research goals of our faculty. The necessity of bringing together knowledge and skills from different disciplines in a meaningful way to comprehend the general structures, functioning, and major issues of societies clearly highlights the importance of interdisciplinary education. Our faculty, with its structure that supports an interdisciplinary approach, aspires to be a pioneer in this field.

Our faculty is research-oriented, in line with the vision of ASBU. Composed of departments such as Anthropology, Philosophy, Psychology, Sociology, History, and Turkish Language and Literature, our faculty aims to teach and conduct research in the social and human sciences with an interdisciplinary approach. The primary mission of our faculty is to understand societal, cultural, and historical dynamics, implement research and projects that address the needs of society, and provide direction and vision for studies in social and human sciences in our country.

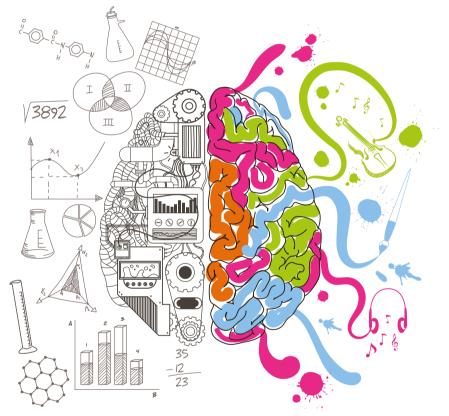
To support interdisciplinary studies within our faculty, undergraduate students are offered opportunities to pursue double major and minor programs. Additionally, certificate programs are available for students wishing to focus on specific subjects, and exchange programs are designed for those seeking international experience. The Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities regards imparting not only general and technical expertise in their chosen fields but also the methods and processes of learning, questioning, researching, and sharing results as indispensable elements of a good education. In this context, our faculty aims to nurture individuals who think critically, ask questions, work harmoniously and effectively with society while seeking solutions to problems, evaluate knowledge on an international scale, and express themselves skillfully to the outside world. Our priority in education is to convey the latest knowledge and theories in the social and human sciences to our students and to equip our graduates with the skills to compete at global standards. Accordingly, the main motivation of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities is to train academicians who will lead in planning and conducting the qualified scientific research and projects needed in these fields. The undergraduate and graduate programs offered by the faculty are designed to cultivate individuals with strategic foresight, capable of competing internationally, and equipped for production- and solution-oriented collaborations.



Research Areas

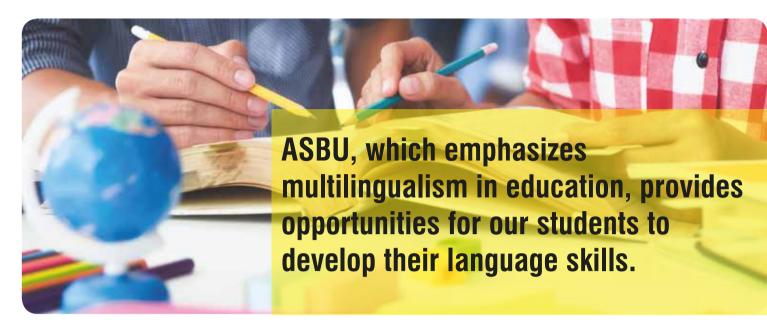
As a university focused on social sciences research, ASBU's faculty has been designed with the mission of being a research-oriented university. In this context, our faculty has established various research areas and groups such as European Studies, Mediterranean and Middle Eastern Studies, Turkish Studies, Cultural Studies, Museum Studies, Gender Studies, Identity, Ethnicity and Nationality Studies. Students are especially encouraged to actively participate in the faculty's research areas and projects alongside faculty members.

The mission of our faculty is not only to present knowledge to the students but also to involve them in the process of producing scientific knowledge, fostering a habit of actively seeking information. Therefore, the educational programs and research conducted within our faculty emphasize training students to engage in scientific research and be equipped with a strong research methodology and experience.



With seminars, conferences, and workshops regularly held involving both local and international scholars, and by fostering strong dialogue and partnerships at national and international levels, the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities contributes directly to the production and dissemination of knowledge. Moreover, it transforms this knowledge into societal and cultural projects addressing local needs and global challenges.

At our faculty, societal, cultural, and historical phenomena and issues are addressed with a solution-oriented and interdisciplinary approach. Research outputs such as academic reports, books, articles, papers, and publications are shared with the public. Additionally, it is aimed to present these outputs to the academic world with graduate-level studies, thus enabling practical applications of the knowledge produced and contributing to solving relevant problems directly.



Education

Interdisciplinary Approach

ASBU's undergraduate and graduate programs are designed to support interdisciplinary studies, ensuring that our students are informed about work in various disciplines. Our undergraduate and graduate programs provide students with a rich pool of elective courses, allowing them to take courses from different departments. This enables students to deepen their knowledge in their chosen fields.

Interactive Education in Small Classes

Our university provides opportunities for direct communication and interaction with faculty members in small classes, aiming to develop skills such as speaking, creativity, critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership among students.

Through course content that offers historical and theoretical perspectives, our programs enable students to effectively analyze current events. By encouraging students to adopt a scientific mindset and develop interdisciplinary research skills, we offer a wide range of elective courses across various disciplines to support their academic and personal growth.

Opportunity to Learn Multiple Languages

ASBU, which emphasizes multilingualism in education, provides opportunities for our students to develop their language skills. In this context, our Language Center offers high-quality language education to students with expert local and international instructors.



A University Bridging Education and Research with Society

ASBU holds a unique position among institutions that shape national policies by bridging education and academic research with society.

ASBU was established with the philosophy that the primary mission of a university extends beyond education and research activities. As a university aiming to integrate with society and respond to its needs, ASBU structures its education and research activities around the axis of social benefit, guided by an innovative approach.

Our university prepares all its courses in alignment with the Bologna information package as part of the Bologna process.

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At ASBU, our students are regarded as active participants in the learning process. The aim is to equip them with skills to access accurate information, critically analyze and process it, interpret and evaluate it, and ultimately use it effectively within the framework of current topics and discussions.

Education at ASBU is not limited to theoretical knowledge. Students are encouraged to engage in research processes and practical applications by being involved in projects and assigned responsibilities.

This approach allows students not only to engage in conceptual and theoretical debates but also to familiarize themselves with both national and international institutions and activities. They are encouraged to establish close connections with these entities.

Our university provides opportunities for students to enhance their extracurricular skills, make better use of their free time, and participate in extracurricular activities by integrating them into its curriculum and special programs.

Our university provides minor and double

major opportunities to its students

Educational Opportunities

Bologna Process

Our university prepares all its courses in alignment with the Bologna information package as part of the Bologna process. This ensures that students will not face any credit issues with courses taken as part of exchange programs, adhering to a standardized process.

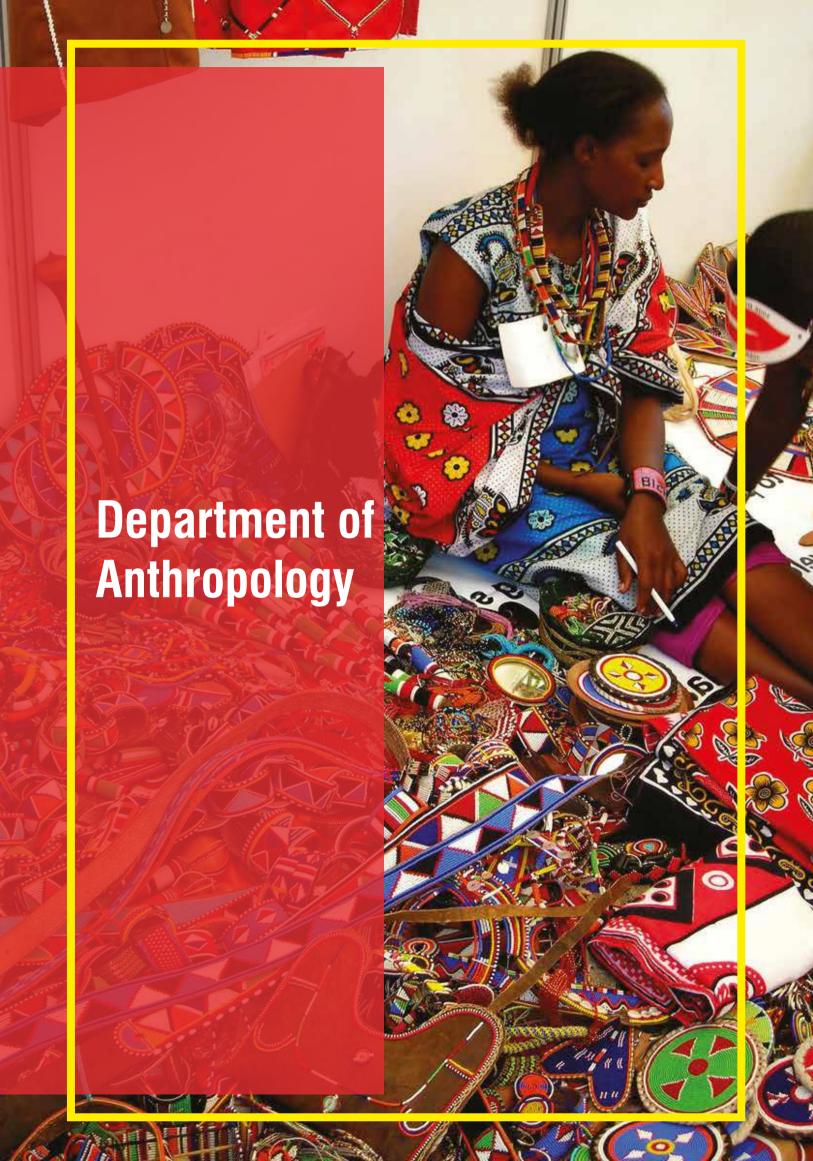
Double Major and Minor Programs

Our university offers students the opportunity to pursue double major and minor programs. Students who take courses from relevant undergraduate programs and succeed in them receive a Minor Certificate for their achievements. Additionally, students who meet the conditions determined by the Senate can register for courses from a different undergraduate program and, if they fulfill the requirements of the program, qualify to receive a Double Major Diploma.

International Opportunities

Students are encouraged to participate in programs like Erasmus and spend one or two academic semesters studying at European universities. Collaborative efforts have also been initiated with several universities in worldwide. It is planned to send students to these institutions and similar programs for study abroad opportunities in the future.

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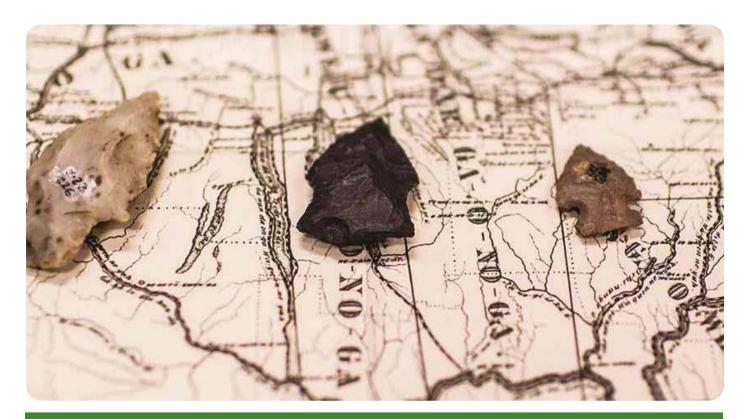


General Introduction

The Department of Anthropology aims to provide an education that emphasizes the socio-cultural anthropology discipline. Socio-cultural anthropology education equips students with a holistic perspective to understand social and cultural systems. This comprehensive perspective helps them comprehend other cultures and the hierarchies and inequalities in today's world. Anthropology students specialize in studying the beliefs, practices, and cultural and social organizations of different cultures and peoples during their education. They examine how a shared cultural system shapes the physical and social environment in which people live and how they organize and are influenced by these processes.

Broadly referred to as the "science of humanity," anthropology operates with an interdisciplinary approach, using both quantitative and qualitative methods in its research. It examines people, cultures, social relationships, and the environment with a holistic and intercultural perspective. Anthropology provides a detailed understanding of how people from different cultures organize their lives and define their relationships. Socio-cultural research aims to help us understand ourselves and others better.

The Department of Anthropology seeks to explore local identities and cultural practices further while fostering historical, political, cultural, and economic development relations. Beyond universal patterns, it encourages human and cultural research. This field strives to understand the fundamental elements of humanity—biological, verbal, material, and intellectual dimensions—and stands at a significant intersection point with social sciences.



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Education

Undergraduate Program

The undergraduate program in Anthropology primarily aims to develop students' critical thinking skills. Within this framework, the program is designed to equip students with the necessary knowledge of anthropology's subfields, comparative studies of cultures, and interdisciplinary approaches to knowledge production. During their undergraduate education, students primarily focus on the basic concepts, approaches, and discussions of socio-cultural anthropology, keeping up with contemporary studies in the discipline, learning data collection and interpretation methods for anthropological research, and understanding social science methodologies.

Graduate Programs

The graduate programs in Anthropology adopt an interdisciplinary approach, aiming to provide students with a learning environment where they can closely follow theoretical and applied studies in the field of anthropology. Graduate students are encouraged to engage in applied research directly with faculty members, participate in collaborative research and projects conducted within the university or in collaboration with other departments, and contribute to interdisciplinary initiatives. Graduates of the program are expected to have the knowledge and experience to participate in both national and international projects, which is among the department's goals.

Anthropology graduates can find opportunities to work in the education sector, as well as in various foundations, international organizations, the healthcare industry, or the media sector.



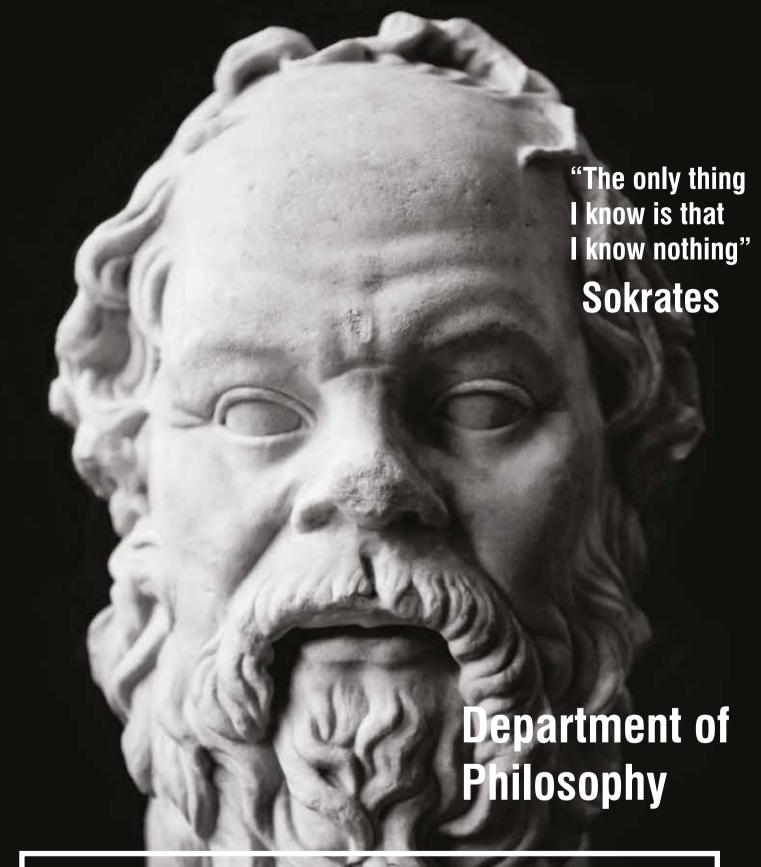
Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Department of Anthropology, equipped with an interdisciplinary approach through their education, can pursue their careers by working domestically or continuing their studies at universities abroad. The department aims to help its graduates gain admission to master's and doctoral programs at universities both in Türkiye and abroad, supporting them in starting their academic careers.

Anthropology graduates also have opportunities to work in the private and public sectors. Additionally, they can find employment in the education sector, various foundations, international organizations, the healthcare industry, and the media sector. Graduates can also work as researchers in scientific and industrial projects in diverse fields.







In our department, we focus on the traditions and methodologies of analytic philosophy, continental philosophy, and Islamic philosophy.

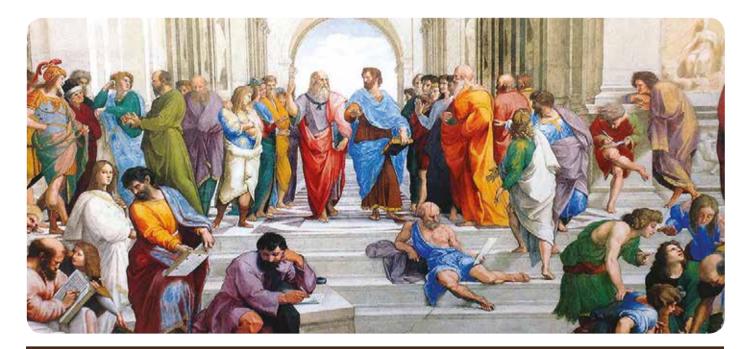
General Introduction

ASBU Department of Philosophy that conducts research and activities in areas such as the history of philosophy, epistemology, metaphysics, and philosophy of religion, alongside fields like artificial intelligence, existentialism, and the philosophy of freedom. In our department, academicians engage in philosophy through problem-solving (analytic) philosophy, Western philosophy, and Islamic philosophy, while using the traditions and methodologies of these areas. However, our department also aims to create its own tradition in philosophy and considers philosophy not just as a branch of thought but as an existence that recognizes multiple philosophies. This approach shapes the academic studies we plan.

The goals of our department include fostering both intra-disciplinary and interdisciplinary interactions at national and international levels, introducing Eastern philosophy to the academic world, and promoting philosophical works that have a global impact. Our academicians conduct studies related to fields such as history, theology, and economics. This approach enables the establishment of bridges between theoretical discussions and practical developments through a philosophical lens.

Our department seeks to instill this multifaceted perspective in our undergraduate and graduate students while encouraging them to benefit from international collaborations as much as possible. By equipping students with analytical, interpretative, and communicative skills, we aim to support their educational and professional lives after graduation.

Students are supported to take advantage of international collaborations whenever possible.



The education in our department enables the examination of theoretical debates and practical developments in science through a philosophical lens and facilitates the establishment of a bridge between philosophy and practice.



Our department plans to design courses and programs in its graduate programs with an interdisciplinary approach.

Education

Our department, continuing its groundwork to begin education, aims to provide undergraduate students with fundamental knowledge of philosophy and social sciences, along with reasoning and critical thinking skills that will benefit them in both life and science. These skills will enable students to better analyze the theoretical discussions of social sciences and improve their problem-solving abilities.

Efforts are being made to encourage students to interact with other disciplines, and studies are being conducted to increase communication with other departments. In this context, our department plans to design courses and programs in its graduate programs with an interdisciplinary approach.



Department of Psychology

General Introduction

The ASBU Department of Psychology offers 100% English education.

The science of psychology aims to produce scientific knowledge to understand and explain processes related to perception, cognition, attitude, behavior, and mental health and to transfer this knowledge into practical applications.

Considering the multifaceted structure of human nature, the discipline of psychology includes various specialized subfields. These include experimental psychology, social psychology, developmental psychology, and clinical (applied) psychology. However, the complexity of human nature necessitates an interdisciplinary approach to psychology. In this regard, our department's primary vision is to train individuals who adopt psychology as a multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary science, gain research experience, and possess the essential skills to contribute to the field.

Our vision, centered on a student-focused approach, embraces a dynamic and innovative perspective in developing our educational program and research infrastructure.

Research and application laboratories representing the diverse subfields of psychology, acting as a social microscope, are among our planned projects. Additionally, the planned graduate programs aim to provide specialization opportunities in areas of interest as a continuation of a comprehensive undergraduate education.

The ultimate goal of our department is to equip graduates with strong foundational knowledge of psychology's core concepts and theories, gain expertise in research and professional application, maintain ethical standards, and transfer their basic skills to various application fields. Preparing them for graduate studies is also one of our primary objectives.



Education

Undergraduate Program

The undergraduate program of Psychology aims to equip graduates with rich learning experiences in core psychology concepts and theories, research and professional application skills, ethical awareness, and the ability to transfer theoretical and application-based skills to various fields. Preparing graduates for advanced education is among the department's primary goals.

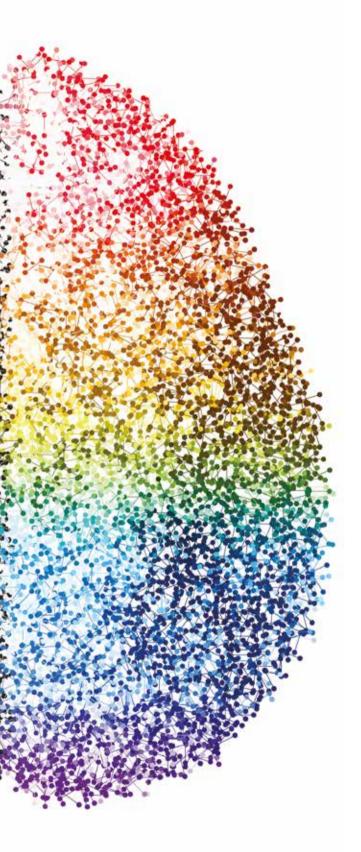
Graduate Programs

Our department offers active graduate and doctoral programs in Clinical Psychology, Developmental Psychology, Cognitive Psychology, and Social Psychology, among other fields in psychology and interdisciplinary areas such as Spiritual Care and Counseling, Philosophy and Religious Studies, and Women's Studies.

Students can also participate in the Erasmus program to study at Universiad del Atlantico Media and other partner universities. Additionally, students have the opportunity to pursue a minor in the Sociology Department.







Career Opportunities

Graduates of the undergraduate program of psychology, upon meeting the criteria of relevant exams and evaluation processes, can be appointed to government institutions under ministries such as the Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Family and Social Policies, and Ministry of Health. They can also work in the field of education, especially in roles requiring counseling and evaluation skills.

Graduates, equipped with professional qualifications, can pursue careers in the education sector (both public and private schools), rehabilitation centers, and private counseling institutions. Those specializing in Clinical Psychology can establish their own private practices.

Psychology offers rich career opportunities, making it an attractive and promising field for prospective students.

For further information, you can contact us via email at **psy@asbu.edu.tr.**



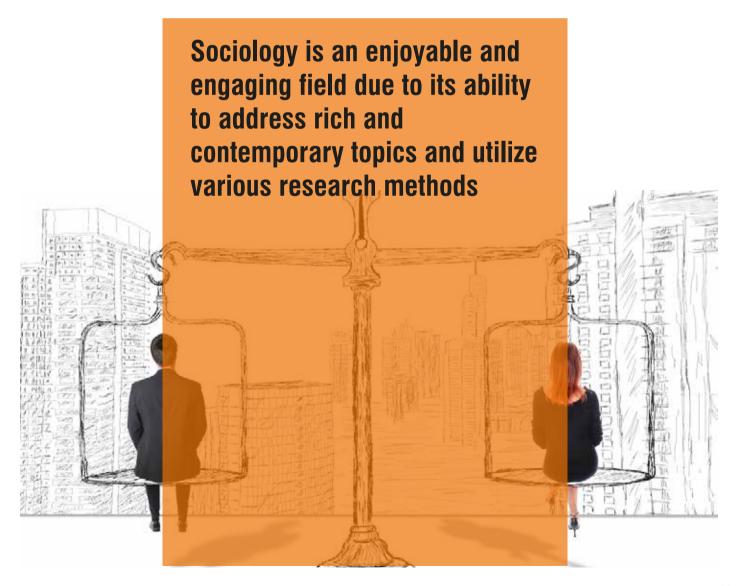


General Introduction

Sociology, also known as social science, is a field that studies almost everything that concerns society. With a broad scope that includes family, religion, economics, education, political life, work, communication, migration, health, and crime, sociology examines the interactions between individuals and society using scientific methods. It is important to note that this methodology does not involve laboratory experiments, as in the natural sciences, but rather employs methods specific to social sciences.

A key aspect of making sociology a science is its systematic approach to studying a wide range of topics. This means systematically collecting data and analyzing it in a structured way to interpret it. Common methods used in sociology include surveys, interviews, participant observation, and case studies.

Sociology is often described as enjoyable and exciting due to its ability to address rich and contemporary topics while employing various research methods. In countries like the United States and the United Kingdom, sociology and sociological studies are given significant importance. In Türkiye, sociology is also becoming increasingly prominent and is now considered an indispensable part of university programs.



Education

In line with ASBU's mission of being a research university, we offer high-quality undergraduate and graduate sociology programs conducted entirely in English and aligned with international standards.

The programs offered in our department include:

- Sociology Undergraduate Program
- •Applied Social Research Thesis Master's Program
- •Migration Studies Thesis Master's Program

The ASBU Sociology Department's curriculum has been enriched with core and elective courses to support academic and professional development. With an English-medium education, our graduates are well equipped to represent themselves successfully on international platforms. Students are also offered the opportunity to learn a second foreign language of their choice, such as German, Spanish, French, Italian, Arabic, Persian, Chinese, Russian, or Japanese.

Graduates can gain admission to prestigious universities in Türkiye and abroad for master's and doctoral studies, supported by our comprehensive undergraduate curriculum and teaching methods. Knowledge sharing in our department is enriched through research-based interactive methods and technology-enhanced fieldwork, rather than traditional one-way instruction. Our undergraduate and graduate curricula have been updated to meet the requirements of the Bologna Process.



Our department aims to train students as individual swith critical perspectives

Additional Information

ASBU Department of Sociology adopts a student-centered approach, emphasizing active participation and the mutual exchange of knowledge. The department trains students to be critical thinkers with a strong sociological imagination, analytical skills, and an understanding of social dynamics.

Our sociology students can engage in diverse topics, including the sociology of education, migration, and gender studies. They conduct applied research and gain hands-on experience by directly collecting and analyzing data from the field. Starting from the third year, students also have the opportunity to complete internships in public and private institutions.

The department fosters students' abilities to interpret social phenomena, historical and cultural dynamics, and their interactions through critical analysis and methodological approaches. Additionally, students benefit from study abroad opportunities, scholarships, and participation in international research and conferences, preparing them for active involvement at both local and global levels.

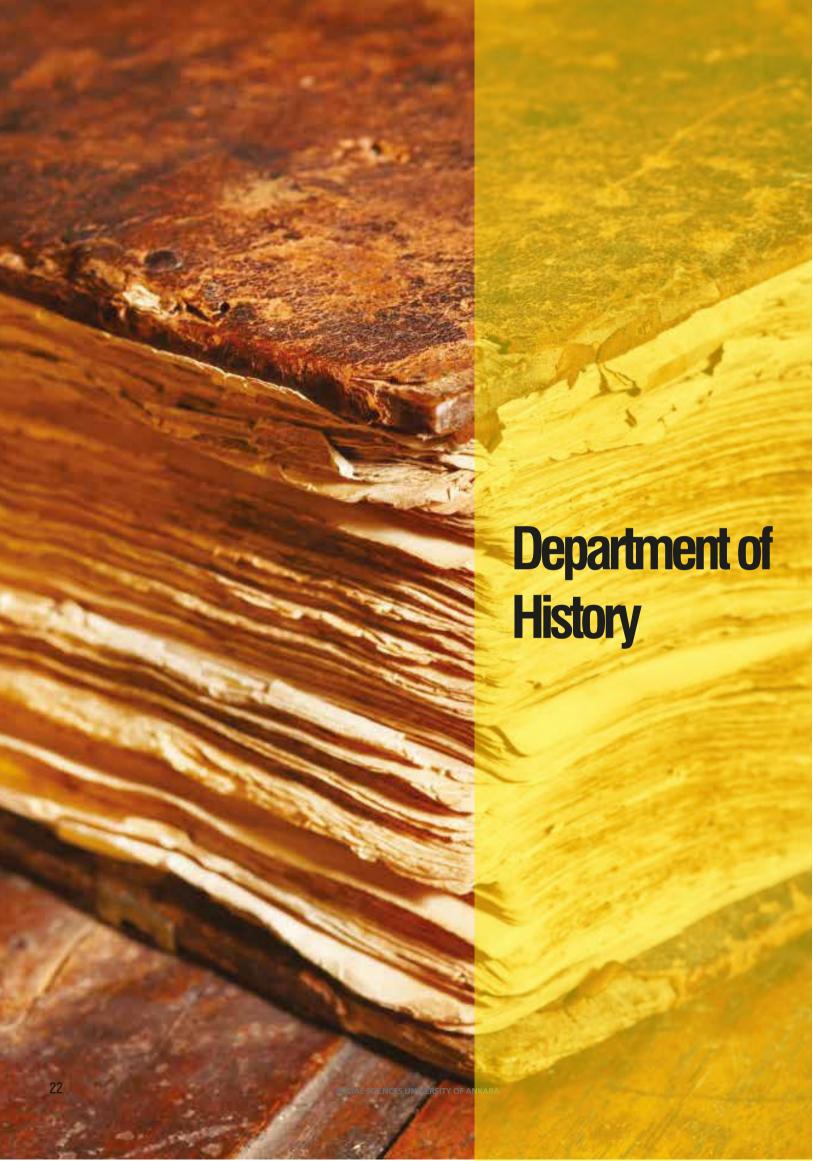
Career Opportunities

Our graduates can be employed as sociologists in public institutions and organizations or conduct field and public opinion research for private research companies. They can also work in local and multinational private sector companies, think tanks, media organizations, civil society organizations, and public institutions, including the Ministry of Family and Social Policies, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Justice, the Turkish Statistical Institute, and the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities, in roles such as experts, consultants, and researchers.

Additionally, graduates can become Philosophy Group Teachers after obtaining the necessary qualifications outlined by the Ministry of National Education. Graduates of the Department of Sociology also have the opportunity to work in international organizations like the United Nations and the European Union.

For those who wish to pursue academic careers, our graduates can work as faculty members at universities.





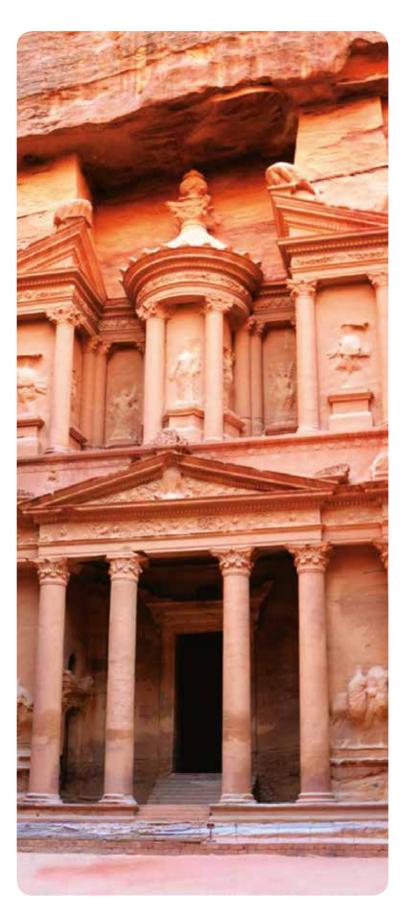


General Introduction

The Department of History at the Social Sciences University of Ankara offers education focusing on the Mediterranean world, the Middle East, Southeast Asia, and Modern Türkiye. The program, which emphasizes essential and comparative practices in historical studies, aims to provide a new and critical perspective on the history of the Mediterranean basin, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia from ancient times onward.

The program's goal is to provide undergraduate students with a strong academic foundation in the field of history. The department's primary objective is to integrate knowledge acquired in history with insights from various disciplines, enabling new interpretations and the creation of new information. The Department of History reinterprets the histories of these geographies in a consistent manner within the dynamic social sciences environment of our university, usina comparative, transnational, and interdisciplinary approaches to historical writing and producing original studies.

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Career Opportunities

With their multilingual education and skills, graduates of the Department of History are well-prepared to work as researchers, experts, educators, or academicians in universities, research centers, and archival departments. Additionally, they can hold various positions in institutions such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Culture, TIKA (Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency), the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities, and the European Union Ministry.







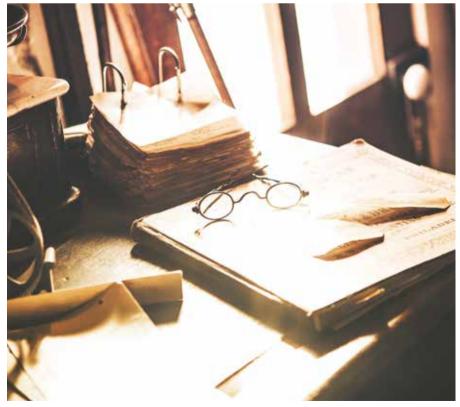
General Introduction

The Department of Turkish Language and Literature (TDEB) at the Social Sciences University of Ankara (ASBU) aims to study and teach Turkish literature in comparison with world literatures through modern critical theories. The department's goal is to equip students, starting at the undergraduate level, with critical thinking and the skills to express their ideas effectively in both written and verbal forms.

ASBU TDEB is a research-oriented department that distinguishes itself with its innovative ideas, perspectives, and methods in studying Turkish literature. TDEB focuses on the following areas, methodologies, and topics: comparative literature, literary theories and criticism, the role of literature in a globalized world and its interaction with other disciplines, linguistics, text analysis, philology, cultural studies, and the use of digital technologies in social sciences.

In line with these objectives, the department emphasizes personalized learning, offering on-site learning opportunities, enriching thinking and learning processes with active methods, and fostering creativity and inquiry through a student-centered approach. Students are encouraged to participate in national and international projects, exchange programs, community service activities, and internships at relevant institutions, providing them with hands-on learning experiences.

The department fosters an innovative and interdisciplinary perspective, providing a dynamic academic environment where students are encouraged to conduct research and gain real-world experience. The medium of instruction in the department is 30% English, and students are expected to successfully complete an English Preparatory School program before starting departmental courses.



Our department aims to train the educators, academicians, linguists, critics, and writers of the future



Education

Undergraduate Program

The Department of Turkish Language and Literature (TDEB) at the Social Sciences University of Ankara (ASBU) focuses on teaching Turkish literature in comparison with world literatures, guided by modern critical theories. It also adopts the mission of nurturing environmentally and socially conscious intellectual individuals. The department's goal is to equip students, starting at the undergraduate level, with critical thinking and effective written and verbal expression skills.

Graduate Programst

The ASBU Turkish Language and Literature Master's Program (with thesis) aims to meet the needs of the future by training individuals equipped in language, culture, literature, and related fields. The program focuses on educating academicians, linguists, critics, poets, and writers. The program includes a curriculum of four main disciplines, addressing the historical development of Turkish literature, critical approaches, theories, and methodologies. It emphasizes developing students' skills in critical reading, writing, and academic research. Furthermore, it encourages interdisciplinary collaboration with departments within the university, such as Psychology, Political Science, Sociology, and History.

The ASBU Turkish Language and Literature Master's Program (with thesis) is designed to address the need for academic studies incorporating literature, language, and cultural criticism with comparative critical and methodologies. Graduates of this program are equipped with the necessary theoretical and analytical tools to conduct original and innovative research. The program aims to produce graduates capable of conducting advanced research in leading universities in Türkiye and around the world, pursuing doctoral studies, and engaging in academic careers.

Graduates of the program are trained to critically and comparatively analyze Turkish literature in relation to world literatures, with strong verbal and written communication skills and a deep understanding of key issues in Turkish literature. They are equipped to make original contributions to the field.





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