

LLP-ERASMUS KEY INFORMATION SHEET

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Status of the University

Uşak University is a dynamic State University, newly established in 2006, administered and funded according to the Law No. 2547, the Law on Higher Education.

Study Periods

For teaching purposes, one academic year is divided into two 15-week semesters excluding final examination weeks. The **autumn semester** covers roughly the period from September till January and the **spring semester** extends from February to June. There are vacation breaks for religious and national holidays. Attendance of students to lectures, seminars, laboratory works, and tutorials is compulsory at a minimum of 70 % or 80 % depending on the type of the courses. The academic year begins with the inauguration on a date determined by the University Senate.

List of Degree Programmes Offered at Uşak University:

Degree Programmes

Undergraduate and postgraduate education at Uşak University is organized and administered in accordance with the related higher education laws and regulations taken by the Higher Education Council of Turkey.

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

The undergraduate programmes at Uşak University are organized under departments within five faculties, one school, and six vocational schools. The bachelor's degree is awarded to students who successfully complete eight semesters of study. Bachelor's degree corresponds to a **first cycle** degree as described in **Bologna Process** and the graduates are awarded with a "lisans diploma", as commonly named in the national system. Study at the vocational schools lasts for four semesters and leads to an associate degree. Associate degree corresponds to a **short cycle** degree as described in **Bologna Process** and the graduates are awarded with an "önlisans diploma", as commonly named in the national system. Number of minimum graduation credits for each undergraduate degree programme is determined by the relevant department and approved by the University Senate.

Undergraduate (Bachelor's) Degrees - (First Cycle) :

Faculty of Education

Department of Computer and Educational Technology

Department of Educational Sciences

- Educational Programmes and Teaching
- Educational Management, Planning and Economy
- Psychological Counseling

Department of Primary(Elementary) Education

- Primary School Teacher Education
- Elementary Social Sciences Teacher Education
- Mathematics Education
- Social Sciences Education

Department of Turkish Language Education

Department of Secondary Education

Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Department of Biology

Department of Mathematics

Department of Statistics

Department of History
Department of Geography
Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics
Department of Turkish Language and Literature
Department of Eastern Languages and Literature
Department of Western Languages and Literature
Department of Modern Turkish Dialects and Literatures
Department of Sociology
Department of Antropology
Department of Philosophy
Department of Archeology
Department of Art History
Department of Physics
Department of Chemistry
Department of Psychology
Department of Folklore

Faculty of Fine Arts

Ceramics
Preparatory Education

Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences

Department of Economics
Department of Business Administration
Department of Public Administration
Department of Finance

Faculty of Engineering

Department of Mechanical Engineering
Department of Textile Engineering
Department of Chemistry

School (College) of Health

Department of Nursing

Associate Degrees - (Short Cycle) :

Vocational School of Uşak

Accountancy Programme
Automotive Programme
Business Administration Programme
Electrics Programme
Gas and Installment Technology Programme
Industrial Electronics Programme
Leather Confectionary Programme
Leatherworking Programme
Local Administrations Programme
Machinery Programme
Radio and Television Programme
Software Engineering Programme
Textile Programme

Vocational School of Banaz

Furniture and Design Programme

Ceramics Programme
Marketing Programme
Business Administration Programme
Chemistry Programme
Environmental Protection

Vocational School of Eşme

Bureau Management and Secretarial Work Programme
Banking and Insurance Programme
Business Administration Programme
Accountancy Programme

Vocational School of Sivaslı

Organic Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Programme
Seedling Programme
Marketing Programme
Business Administration Programme

Vocational School of Ulubey

Business Administration Programme
Tourism and Travel Management

Vocational School of Karahallı

Bureau Management and Secretarial Work Programme
Accountancy and Tax Administration Programme
Foreign Trade Programme
Textile Technology Programme
Marketing Programme
Business Administration Programme

Vocational School of Distance Education

Program of Business Administration

Postgraduate Degree Programmes

The graduate schools, known as 'institutes', offer postgraduate courses and degrees in two main areas: Natural Sciences and Social Sciences & Humanities. Each institute coordinates the curricula for its respective departments.

Students who have obtained a bachelor's degree from an accredited university are eligible to apply for a master's degree programme, respectively. Master's degree programmes commonly last four semesters and to graduate, students must gain minimum 21 credits (7 courses), successfully complete a seminar course and submit a thesis.

Non-thesis master's degree programmes commonly last two semesters and to graduate students must gain at least 30 credits (10 courses) and successfully complete the semester projects. Master's degree corresponds to a **second cycle** degree as described in **Bologna Process** and the graduates are awarded with a "yüksek lisans diplomas", as commonly named in the national system.

Master's Degrees (Second Cycle) :

Graduate School (Institute) of Social Sciences

Educational Sciences

- Primary School Teacher Education Master's Programme

Geography Master's Programme

History Master's Programme

Accountancy Master's Programme

Finance Master's Programme

Economics Master's Programme

Public Administration Master's Programme

Turkish Language and Literature Master's Programme

Ceramics Master's Programme

Graduate School (Institute) of Natural Sciences

Textile Engineering Master's Programme

Mechanical Engineering Master's Programme

Mathematics Master's Programme

Language of Instruction

Language of instruction at Uşak University is principally Turkish.

Administrative Offices

Secretary General, Strategy Development, Computing and Information Services, Construction and Technical Works, Administrative and Financial Affairs, Health, Sports, and Cultural Activities, Legal Advice, Library and Documentation, Personnel Press and Public Relations, Student Affairs (The Registrar's Office).

Admission and Registration

Admission to the degree programmes of the University is based upon the rules governing higher education in Turkey. General eligibility for higher education is given by the University Entrance Examination (ÖSS) held nationwide once a year by the Student Selection and Placement Centre (ÖSYM) and the upper secondary (lycee) diploma, which requires at least 12 years of schooling. Candidates who take part in ÖSS and earn a placement according to the grades achieved and their preferences have the right to register for the first year of the faculties and schools of Uşak University.

International students who wish to pursue a full time degree program in Turkish universities are required to take a separate exam, called YÖS (University Entrance Examination for Foreign Students), which is also administered by ÖSYM.

The registration procedures of the freshmen to various departments and programmes of the University are carried out at the registration offices of the faculties and schools with the coordination of the Registrar's Office. Students are provided in advance with all the instructional documents and forms needed for registration.

Academic Counselling

In Uşak University, every newcomer is assigned to an academic advisor proposed by the relevant heads of department and confirmed after the approval of the faculty/school committee. The academic advisor acts as a guide for the students who might have concerns about the courses, examinations, university regulations or other subjects related to their education and training. The students are under the supervision of these advisors up to their graduation. However, it is the student's responsibility to select courses in accordance with prerequisites, the advisor's recommendations, the departmental curriculum, and the requirements of the degree.

Internationalisation

Since its foundation in 2006, Uşak University has considerably accelerated its efforts in terms of establishing strong international relations with universities and organisations in other countries on scientific, academic, social, and cultural levels. All necessary steps have been eagerly taken to participate in EU Education Programmes and related activities that are believed to present great

importance towards the strategic development of the University. Our Institution has been awarded the Extended University Charter (Standard Charter and Student Placements) by the European Commission (The Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency) on 20/05/2008. Since 2008-2009 Academic year students and staff of our University have been taking advantage of Erasmus Exchange Programmes on the basis of established bilateral agreements. We have bilateral agreements such as Textile Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Social Sciences, Political Sciences, Humanities, Geography, History, Mathematics, Education & Teacher Training, Economics, Informatics, Business Studies & Management Sciences with 25 different Universities from Germany, Greece, Italy, England, Latvia, Lithuania Portugal, Spain, Hungary, Slovenia, Romania and Poland. Furthermore, a Vice-Rector was appointed by the Rector as in charge of international relations. European Union Education, Research and Application Centre was founded according to regulations set out by the Higher Education Council.

As a dynamic Office, the **International Relations Office** directly responsible to the Rector, aims to promote and coordinate activities related to European Union Education (Erasmus, Leonardo etc.) and Youth Programmes. The mobility activities and the administration of student and teaching staff exchanges have been managed and will be managed by the Office. National and international meetings, seminars, and conferences organised by the Turkish National Agency and other universities or organisations, will be attended as these will serve as meeting and networking platforms both for the Office and the University.

Applying as Exchange Student

European students can apply to Uşak University as exchange student within the framework of Erasmus programme, provided that their home institution has a bilateral agreement with Uşak University applicable for the department or programme they are registered. Similarly, registered students of Uşak University can benefit from Erasmus student exchange provided that their department or programme has a valid bilateral agreement with a European higher education institution. Exchange periods can be between 3-12 months. When applying to study at Uşak University, exchange students must first contact their own institution's International Relations Office/International Coordinator/LLP Erasmus Coordinators/ECTS coordinators. More detailed information on how to apply as an incoming student at Uşak University can be obtained from the web-site of the International Relations Office at <https://uigk.usak.edu.tr/>

When applying as an exchange student to study at a European higher education institution, Uşak University students must follow the Erasmus exchange selection and application procedures coordinated by the International Relations Office. Announcements and selections for Erasmus exchange are made and rules regarding eligibility, selection and grant payment criterion are set by the handbook published yearly by the Turkish National Agency. Outgoing exchange students should follow the application dates and procedures of the European institution they will apply.

Uşak University follows the guidance of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) which means that the studies which are part of the student's curriculum and completed in the foreign institution during the exchange period, will be fully credited as a part of the student's Turkish higher education degree. To enable full recognition of completed studies, a trilateral learning agreement among the student, home institution and the host institution will be made. Student has to follow this agreement during the whole exchange period. Recognition can only be denied if the student does not achieve the level required or fulfill the preconditions. The exchanges are based on valid bilateral agreements between Uşak University and the partners in Erasmus countries.

Accommodation

Uşak University offers plenty of housing opportunities for its students including furnished state dormitories, private dormitories, flats, apartments and houses especially planned and furnished for temporary student residence. Private dormitories have a capacity of housing approximately 4 students. All rooms are furnished. Some dormitories have PC rooms equipped with internet

connections. Also some private dormitories offer breakfast, lunch, and dinner everyday including weekends with reduced price. Average room prices vary between 120 € and 200 € per month according to the facilities and the number of sharing persons. Deposit may be required in some rentals.

Another option commonly practiced by many students is renting an apartment flat, but price may vary between 150 € and 250 € depending on the district, quality and size. Many students share accommodation to keep costs down and usually find places to meet their needs and preferences. Depending on incoming student numbers, our Office will arrange the proper accommodation for incoming students.

Library, Labs and Computing Services

Usak University has its own library located in Halit Ziya Uşaklıgil Campus offering 17,048 books, 1240 periodicals. The library has 756 MA/ MS and Ph. D. programme thesis/dissertations. The students can also benefit from city library which offers 15,850 books, and 1150 periodicals under 98 headlines. In order to provide better facilities for researchers, the Library also offers access to several ONLINE databases containing academic journals. In addition, within the inter-libraries cooperation, the books or photocopies of publications can be obtained from other libraries.

There are 10 laboratories located in the university for scientific research, analysis and practices. There are three main computer labs on campus which are available for students. One of them is located in the Faculty of Economics & Administrative Sciences and the other two are in the Faculty of Education.

Student Campus Life

Uşak University has its main campus, the 1 Eylül Campus, located at outskirts of Uşak and one additional campus (Halit Ziya Uşaklıgil Campus) and six branches located around the city. The university offers quality education and training in its departments. Uşak University's personalised style of teaching offers plenty of opportunity to work closely with faculties to expand students' knowledge and skills. With its green lawns, our beautiful main campus houses cultural activities for student life.

Uşak University's programs and services extend the university's academic mission beyond the classroom by providing opportunities through which students can participate in a broad range of human endeavors. The university fosters in students a sense of social and civic responsibility, ethical conduct, and an appreciation of diversity and cultural richness including the activities such as seminars, panels and workshops offered for students, plenty of social activities such as sports competitions, theatre and traditional dance groups.

Student Societies

Within the structure of Uşak University there are 53 student societies and clubs carrying out miscellaneous cultural, artistic, cultural, sports, and scientific activities through which students are encouraged to effectively use their leisure time. They have opportunities to enhance their academic work; to exercise initiative; to develop their creativity; to channel their energies towards beneficial activities; to develop as individuals with healthy minds and bodies; and to build up strong friendships sharing same hobbies and interests.

Information on the city of Uşak

Uşak is a relatively small-sized city located in the Interior Aegean Region of Turkey. The city has a population of almost 150.000. Uşak is situated at a distance of 210 km from the region's principal metropolitan center and the port city of Izmir. Benefiting from its location at the crossroads of Central Anatolian plateau and the coastal Aegean Region, and a climate and an agricultural production which comports elements determined by both of these spheres, Uşak traditionally had a strong industrial base. Usak was the first city in Turkey to

have an urban electricity network, the first city where a collective labour relations agreement was signed, during the Ottoman era, between leather industry employees and workers, and the first factory of Republican Turkey, a sugar refinery, was set up here through a private sector initiative among local businessmen. It is found that the first settlement in the region had begun after 4000 B.C. , whereas the continuous settlements had begun in the early Bronze Age. Today, the city is characterized by much historical and natural prosperity such as the treasures of Croesus, Burma Mosque, Örencik Thermal Resorts, Ulubey Canyons, Blaundos, Clandiras Bridge and Sebaste.