24 September 2018, Monday

08:30-09.00 Registration

09:00-09:30 Opening Remarks
Prof. Dr. F. Dilek Sanin, Vice President for Student Affairs
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hale İşik-Güler, Advisor to the President for Internationalisation

09:30-10:00 Introduction to METU, ICO & ISO
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hale İşik-Güler, Advisor to the President for Internationalisation

10.00-10.15 Information about Orientation Program
International Cooperations Office (ICO) Staff

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-11:30 Seminar: “ODTÜ 101: Student Adaptation to METU Life”
Assist. Prof. Dr. Serap Emil, Department of Educational Sciences

11:30-11:50 Seminar: “Stages of Adjustment and Culture Shock”
Dr. Esra Eret, Center for Advancing Learning and Teaching

12:00-13:30 Lunch at the Cafeteria (hosted by METU)
(Creamy Mushroom Soup-Baked Chicken Drumsticks or Green Peas in Tomato Sauce-Rice Pilaf-Carrot Salad)

13:45-14:15 Info Session: “Online Student Services at METU”
Murat Duman, Computer Center

14:15-14:45 Seminar: “Survival Turkish”
International Cooperations Office (ICO) Staff

14:45-15:15 Info Session: TANDEM (Language Learning Program)
Dr. Gamze Karbi & Yeliz Akel, Department of Modern Languages

19:30-21:30 Social Program organized by METU Student Clubs
Ice-Breaking Activity on Campus
Meeting Point: In front of Sunshine Café
25 September 2018, Tuesday

**09:00-10:00** Info Session: “Course Registration Process” ([Hall B](#))  
*International Students Office (ISO) Staff*

**10:00-10.45** Seminar: “Turkish Customs and Traditions”  
*Assist. Prof. Dr. Besim Can Zırh, Department of Sociology*

**10:45-11.15** Coffee Break

**11:15-11.30** Info Session: “How to Benefit from Medical Facilities at METU?”  
*Dr. İnci Pınar Öz Ulu, Medical Center*

**11:30-12.00** Seminar: “Gender Equality and Codes of Behavior at METU”  
*Assoc. Prof. Dr. F. Umut Beşpinar, Department of Sociology*

**12:00-13:30** Free time for lunch

**13:30-14:15** Seminar: “Learning Mobility and Personal Development”  
*Assoc. Prof. Dr. Özgehan Şenyuva, Department of International Relations*

**14:15-17:00** Free time for tour of campus with host students:  
visit banks, register/buy cell phones or SIM cards

**Social Program organized by METU Student Clubs**  
*Only for students above 18 years old. Transportation by own means.*

**18:30-21.00** Event A: Dinner at Route Café (Selanik 2 Caddesi No: 70 Kızılay)
26 September 2018, Wednesday

**VENUE:**
Architecture Department Amphi (Mimarlık Amfisi)

10:00-10.30  Info Session: “Residence Permit Procedures”
*International Students Office (ISO) Staff*

10.30-11.00  Info Session: “Dormitory Rules and Regulations”
*International Students Office (ISO) Staff*

12:00  Course registration system opens

19:00–21:30  Social Program organized by METU Student Clubs
Social Event at CENTRAL Café-Bar (100. Yıl, İşçi Blokları Mah., 1536. Sk. No:7)
Meeting Point: Sunshine Café on campus

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27 September 2018, Thursday

**VENUE:**
Eymir Lake & Physics Department

Visit and Lunch at Eymir Lake

10:00  Tour bus departs at Rectorate Building (Rektörlük)

10:30-12:00  Walking around Eymir Lake

*Wear your comfy shoes for walking!*

12:00-13:00  Brown-Bag Lunch

13:30  End of the tour and return to campus

20:00  Movie Night by Embassy of the Netherlands: “Loving Vincent”

*On campus at the lawn area around the department of Physics. Bring your cushions and umbrellas just in case!*
28 September 2018, Friday

VENUE: Departments & Cultural and Convention Center Kemal Kurdaş Hall

“Aramıza Hoşgeldiniz” Welcome Program

09:15-10:40 Visiting Departments and Academic Orientation
Venue: Your own department building
Make sure that you are present at the building of your department on time!
Check with your host student on the campus map!

13:30-15:00 Rector’s Speech
METU Student Club Shows
Venue: Cultural and Convention Center, Kemal Kurdaş Hall

29 September 2018, Saturday

VENUE: Indoor Sports Hall - Basketball Courts

10:00-16:00 Sport and Cultural Events by the METU Student Clubs

1 October, Monday

Classes start

Important Notes

- Info Sessions and Seminars are organized by ICO and ISO and it is strongly recommended for students to attend the official program.

- Evening activities are organized by METU ISEN and MISA student clubs and it is optional to attend those events.