Mission:
METU’s mission is to attain excellence in research, education and public service for society, humanity and nature, in an environment nurturing creative and critical thinking, innovation, leadership, and universal values.

Vision:
A leading international university that transforms its region and the world.

METU/ODTÜ at first glance:
- A comprehensive state university with three campuses:
  - MAIN CAMPUS ANKARA (founded in 1956)
  - ERDEMLİ CAMPUS MERSİN (founded in 1975)
  - NORTHERN CYPRUS KALKANLI (founded in 2000)
- English as the only language of instruction in all degree programs.
- 29,000+ students (of which 7,600+ are graduate students) with a female/male ratio of 43/57.
- Availability of a variety of major, minor and double-major programs and wide spectrum of interdisciplinary graduate programs:
  - 5 faculties offering 43 undergraduate degree programs and 5 graduate schools offering 107 masters and 69 Ph.D. programs offered at METU Ankara Campus.
  - 15 undergraduate and 5 graduate programs at METU Northern Cyprus Campus.
  - 6 graduate programs at METU Erdemli Campus housing our Institute of Marine Sciences (on the Mediterranean coastline).
- Majority of METU undergraduate students received from the top 1-3% of 2,000,000+ applicants annually taking the National University Entrance Examination.
- 1,250 world-class full-time faculty members (with 670 of all having earned their PhD degrees from reputable universities abroad) and 1,350 additional research staff.
- More than 130,000 alumni organized under 40 alumni associations around the globe (18 national and 22 international).
- Pioneering university with numerous firsts in its history (first internet provider of Turkey, first campus abroad, first Faculty Development Program, etc.)

METU/ODTÜ as a leading international university:
- METU is Turkey’s premier state university rated among the top world universities in several fields/rankings over the years:
  - QS: Repeatedly among top universities in the world in 19 subject areas under engineering and technology, basic sciences, social sciences and education
  - Red Dot Design Ranking: Repeatedly 5th among the “Most Successful Design Schools” of Americas and Europe
- Recipient of Turkish Higher Education Council’s (YÖK) Excellence in Academia Award for International Collaboration with CERN.
- Over 2,000 international students from 98 different countries studying toward a myriad of academic degrees.
- 2,000+ international undergraduate students apply each year with 13% acceptance rate.
- Approximately 900 bilateral exchange and cooperation agreements.
- Annual mobility flow of approximately 1,000 students and 260+ staff.
- Active participant of AIESEC, JAESTE, HUAWEI, BOEING summer internship programs.
- 23 international joint-degree programs and protocols (4 undergraduate programs with State University of New York (SUNY), 19 graduate degree programs with universities in US and Europe) and one national dual Ph.D program with Hacetpe University.
- Member of various associations and networks focusing on international education and exchange such as UNICA, EUA, IE, CEASAR, SEFI, EMUNI, Magna Carta Observatory.
- ABET ‘substantial equivalency’ accreditation for all engineering programs.

METU/ODTÜ as a prominent research university:
- METU has actively taken part in and managed various projects under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA), especially the Framework Programmes (FP) as well as other international projects, such as COST, Erasmus, Newton-Katip Celebi Fund, etc.
- Outstanding research centers: Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems Research and Application Center (MEMS), Center of Excellence in Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering (BIOMATEN), Center for Solar Energy Research and Applications (GUNAM), Center for Black Sea and Central Asia (KORA), etc.
- Over 25% of all students enrolled in graduate programs and 270+ PhD degrees awarded each year.
- Competitive research revenues accounting to 20-25% on average of all METU expenditures annually (including all payroll costs).
- Research budget: 350+ international projects with a total budget of 760M € with a METU share of 50M €.
- 307 completed international R&D projects with a total budget of about 639M € and a METU share of 40M € (75% of these projects were EU Framework Programmes projects with a total budget of 561M €, within which METU share was 31M €.)
- Either the coordinator or beneficiary of 30 projects with a total budget of 130M € and a METU share of 9M €, out of which 23 are ongoing or in grant agreement phase.
- In terms of national R&D projects, where TÜBİTAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) is the leading funding agency, METU has a prominent history amongst Turkish universities with more than 1,100+ projects having a total budget of 720M TL (approx. 110M €).
- Top public university in TÜBİTAK’s Entrepreneur and Innovative University Index 2017.
- METU’s Technology Transfer Office (TTO): 150+ inventions, 20+ commercialized patents, 300+ patent applications, 200+ granted patents and more than 8M TL commercialized income.

ODTÜ TEKNOKENT:
- Based on a total closed area of 170,000 m2 and 30 facility buildings, ODTÜ TEKNOKENT currently houses 380+ companies (60% of which were start-ups), 6,500+ R&D personnel and 1,200+ projects.
- Its goal is to provide contemporary infrastructure and superstructure to researchers and companies that mutually develop and produce the technologies. With its activities to facilitate university-industry collaboration, ODTÜ TEKNOKENT is the catalyst for synergy between the parties.
- It has ranked 1st for six times in a row in the Technology Development Zones Performance Index study of the Ministry of Industry and Technology realized since 2011.
- To date 13+ billion US dollars in technology exports (not including manufacturing numbers) and 13+ billion TL in technology sales realized via ODTÜ TEKNOKENT.
Life at Ankara Campus:

- A lively and vibrant campus rated as "Turkish University with Richest Social Life" by Newsweek-Turkey.

- A self-sustaining 45 square kilometers (17 mile squares) campus with a forested area of 30 square kilometers (12 mile squares) including its very own lake, Lake Eymir as well as 19 dorms, many shops, restaurants, cafes, banks, medical center, museums, libraries and other facilities.

- Dormitory capacity of approximately 7700 students with priority placement given to international students.

- A wide range of sports and recreational facilities, including gymnasiums, tennis courts, basketball and football fields, jogging trails, Olympic-size indoor swimming pool, and an outdoor swimming pool.

- As off campus facilities, lodges at Elmadağ (30 kilometers from the METU Ankara campus) and a mountain resort at Uludağ (near Bursa) where mountain climbing and various skiing activities are possible during winter for students and staff.

- 96 students clubs, 37 sport teams and 1000+ in-house cultural and sports activities organized by students each year.

- METU Cultural and Convention Center hosts numerous cultural, intellectual and arts activities throughout the year, open to the public.

- Estimated living expenses for students are minimally $250.00 to $350.00 (US dollars) per month.

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