2019-2020 ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS
Dear METU NCC Students,

Welcome to the Middle East Technical University Northern Cyprus Campus. I would like to congratulate you for becoming a member of the great METU Family consisting of students, staff and over 100,000 alumni all over the world.

Your affiliation with METU will surely be a source of pride and confidence in each and every phase of your life. This will also provide you with the strength and determination to overcome the toughest challenges in the future. Yet, attaining this privilege, as you might imagine, requires a great deal of hard work and self-sacrifice. We believe that we can accomplish this by working together. As the staff of the METU Northern Cyprus Campus, we are dedicated to provide you with the METU’s education and training experience of more than sixty years in a very convenient university campus setting. To this end, METU Northern Cyprus Campus will welcome you with its state-of-the-art infrastructure, and degree programs and faculty members meeting the standards of METU. In return, you are expected to make the best of all those facilities and opportunities with a sense of responsibility towards yourself and your families.

Dear students,

You are at a crucial turning-point in your lives. Most probably, until today you have lived with your families who have catered for most of your daily needs. You will now be shouldering your responsibilities on your own, and this will probably mark a passage into the real life. Here, you will begin to learn to live as self-sufficient individuals.
Please make every effort to be an active member of this international community. Open yourselves to new cultures, new experiences. Learn from each other. Don’t limit your network just with your own culture, observe and experience local culture of Cyprus as well. Don’t wait to take courses to start your Turkish learning journey. Be active in student societies and enrich and transform our international community.

Throughout your campus life, extracurricular activities will have a great impact on your social development. We suggest that you devote time, in a balanced combination, both to the academic work and social, cultural and sports activities, and integrate with the reach cultural environment around you. We, as the staff of METU Northern Cyprus Campus, will be right beside you in all difficulties you might face. You are very important to us, please keep remembering that. At METU Northern Cyprus, you will exist as a strong, distinct individual who will never disappear, even in crowds.

I am very happy and excited to see you all here today. I wish you a wonderful academic year filled with opportunities and enjoyable in every aspect. Today, here, I welcome you to METU. You will receive your diplomas in four years, as young individuals inspired to change the world. I will look forward to meeting you, to present your diplomas.

Have a wonderful METU Northern Cyprus experience.

Prof. Dr. Nazife Baykal
Campus President
Orientation Leadership Project (OLP) has been carried out at METU NCC since 2008-2009 Academic Year to run the orientation program effectively. The project is coordinated by Student Development and Counseling Center (SDCC) and run by “orientation leaders”. Orientation Leaders are senior METU NCC students who volunteered to assist you during the orientation program and in your first year at METU NCC. These reliable senior-students will help to find answers to your questions about campus life. As soon as you are accepted to METU NCC, an orientation leader will be assigned to you and you will receive a welcome mail from your leader. Before your arrival you can direct your questions via e-mail to your orientation leader.

Orientation leaders will welcome you at airport and help you in dorm registration, registration to university and courses, and getting to know campus. When you arrive on campus please also get in touch with the Orientation Office*, situated in the shopping center on campus, via telephone or by directly going to the office to get into contact with your orientation leader (if you have not met him/her till then) and to be informed about all the details of the orientation program.
Graduate Orientation Leader

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*The orientation office will be opened on September, 6th

Phone:
(0392) 661 1927 / 1928

21st September 2019 Saturday

2.30pm - 3.30pm
Graduate Information Meeting:
Academic Rules and Regulations
by Assist. Prof. Dr. Ceren İnce Derogar
(Program Coordinator of Sustainable Environment and Energy Systems)
Venue: CCC Seminar Room 4

3.30pm – 3.45pm
Coffee Break
Discussion with Graduate Program Coordinators

- Master of Science (MS) in Sustainable Environment and Energy Systems (SEES)  
  Assist. Prof. Dr. Ceren İnce Derogar  
  **Venue:** CCC Seminar Room 4

- Master of Science (MS) in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Murat Fahrioglu  
  **Venue:** CCC Seminar Room 3

- Master of Science (MS) in Computer Engineering (CNG), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yeliz Yılmaz Yeşilada  
  **Venue:** CCC Seminar Room 2

- Master of Science (MS) in Political Science and International Relations (PSIR), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oğuz Solyalı  
  **Venue:** CCC Seminar Room 7

- Master of Science (MS) in Mechanical Engineering (MECH), Prof. Dr. Eşref Eşkinat -  
  **Venue:** CCC Seminar Room 8

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**23rd September 2019 Monday**

**Classes Commence (Graduate Programs)**

**16.30pm - 17.30pm**  
Meeting with Program Coordinators  
Assist. Prof. Dr. Ceren İnce Derogar, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Murat Fahrioglu, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yeliz Yılmaz Yeşilada, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oğuz Solyalı, Prof. Dr. Eşref Eşkinat  
(Open for only Teaching Assistants (TA))  
**Venue:** CCC Amfi 1

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**27th September 2019 Friday**

You are all kindly invited to the 2019 - 2020 Academic Year Opening Ceremony that will be held on 27 September 2019 at 6.00pm, in the CCC Rauf Raif Denktaş Hall.

Attendance to all of the Orientation program Seminars is strongly advised. The more seminars attended, the quicker you will settle in and adapt to campus life. Additionally, in every seminar you will learn helpful tips to get you off to a great start.
The Social and Cultural Affairs Office accommodates 44, the Sports and Recreation Office accommodates 9 organized student groups. Since we assume that the accomplishments of our students in social and cultural activities as well as their academic performance will influence their lives positively in the future; our Office supports the foundation of student societies and their activities. In the 2018-2019 academic year; approximately 400 organizations including concerts, exhibitions, festivals, conferences, seminars, plays and excursions were held by the student associations.

Furthermore, in the 2018-2019 Academic Year, many activities such as the 13th METU NCC Theater Festival, 12th International Food Festival, 12th METU NCC Horror Night, 9th Performing Arts Festival, Alumni on Campus 7, mART Fest, 6th Traditional Folklore Festival, 3rd Traditional Turkish Art Music Choir Concert and 12th METU NCC Spring Festival were performed successfully by the student associations.

**Students Societies**

1. A Capella Society
2. ACM (Association of Computer Machinery) Society
3. Aerospace Society
4. AIChE METU NCC Student Branch Society
5. Animal Welfare Association
6. Astronomy Society
7. Ataturk’s Thought Club
8. Career and Management Club
9. Change and Social Awareness Society
10. Cinema Club
11. Civil and Construction Society
12. Community Volunteers Club
13. Culture, Literature and Thought Club
14. Economics and Finance Society
15. Energy Society
16. Fantastic Fiction Society
17. Fine Arts Club
18. Folklore Club
19. Humor Society
20. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Student Society
21. International Relations Society
22. International Students Association
23. Kitchen Club
24. METU Go Society
25. Mockup Club
26. Model United Nations Society
27. Music Club
28. Musical Club
29. Photography Club
30. Problem Solving Society
31. Psychology Club
32. Radio Society
33. Socialist Thought Club
34. Society of Guidance and Psychological Counseling
35. Society of Mechanical Engineers
36. Society of Modern Thought
37. Society of Petroleum Engineers
38. Society of Women Engineers
39. TEDx METU NCC Society
40. Theater Club
41. Turkic Languages and History Society
42. Turkish - German Communication Club
43. Turkish Classical Music Society
44. Women in Business Club
How can I join a student association?

In order to attend associations’ activities superintended by the academic advisor and supervised via the decisions made by the executive board of member students, one should apply to the societies or Social and Cultural Affairs and Sports and Recreation Directories and fill out a membership form.

Radio METU Northern Cyprus Studios

Radio ODTÜ Northern Cyprus Studios, the extension of Radio ODTÜ Ankara, broadcasts on 103.1 and over the internet at www.radyoodtukibris.net
SPORTS TEAMS & SOCIETIES

SPORTS TEAMS:

Participate in competitions against other Cyprus Universities, and organize friendly competitions in cooperation with teams of private associations and universities. Students who succeed in competitions and tournaments organized within the university are invited to join the sport teams by the coaches.

1. Basketball
2. Chess
3. Futsal
4. Handball
5. Swimming
6. Tennis
7. Volleyball

SPORT SOCIETIES:

Recreational activities are organized within the sport communities, inside and outside the university; sports communities doing work under the supervision of instructors involve in the activities, tournaments and provide students with courses to acquire the branches they are interested in. Also at the end of these courses they receive certificates.

1. American Football Society
2. Climbing Society
3. Cricket Society
4. Dance Society
5. E-sport Society
6. Min. Golf Society
7. Outdoor Recreation Sports Society
8. Search and Rescue Society
9. Sub-Aqua Society
International Student’s Checklist

What should I do after arriving at METU NCC?

- Complete your registration on September 18th (Wednesday) and September 19th (Thursday), 2019, at Registrar’s Office. Please have all your relevant documents ready – Original undergraduate degree diploma or letter certifying graduation Official undergraduate transcript Official English Language Proficiency Certificate (IELTS, TOEFL, EPE); Official ALES certificate (For Turkish Citizens); Copy of passport pages that include identification information; Official certificate / exemption of military service (Republic of Turkey & TRNC males only); Four color photos (4.5 x 6 cm size) taken within past 6 months.

- Complete interactive registration and get approval by visiting your academic advisor’s office between September 18 and September 20, 2019.

- Participate in the Orientation Program 21-23 September 2019.

- Complete your dorm registration. You should submit two color photos (4.5 x 6 cm size) taken within past 6 months.

- Please activate your University e-mail address according to the instructions given during on-campus registration. Check your university e-mail address daily, since it is the primary communication channel between METU NCC and students.
• Please, visit Graduate Program Regulations https://ncc.metu.edu.tr/graduate/program-regulations for further information about graduate programs.

• After completing Campus registration you should visit https://permissions.gov.ct.tr for your Resident Permit Application. Obtaining a Student Residence Permit is mandatory by law for all international students studying at TRNC. If you have any questions regarding procedure you should contact Student Satisfaction Office in Campus (Ms Linda).

• Remember to activate your phone line to make international calls. It is suggested that you use one of the GSM operators of TRNC in order to communicate more economically with your country.

For Further Questions
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