

Evaluation and Selection Process

Following the pre-evaluation conducted by the Presidency, applicants who fulfill the requisite criteria shall be invited to participate in an interview.

Relevant details, including the test date and venue, will be communicated to the applicants via the email address provided during the application process. Additionally, this information may be obtained through the Office of the Counsellor or Attaché. Interviews shall be conducted either in person or online at designated test centers within the applicants' respective countries. If deemed necessary, applicants may be required to attend a test center in another country. In instances where access to test centers is not possible, interviews shall be conducted online utilizing appropriate communication tools.

Interview (Test) Subjects

- Holy Qur'an: Reading and Recitation,
- Religious Knowledge: Faith, Worship, Islamic Law, Life of the Prophet, and Islamic Ethics
- General Knowledge,
- Language Proficiency: Speaking skills (Turkish)
- Academic Interests.

Interview results are available at the following link: <https://dibbys.diyamet.gov.tr/IKYS/Sinav/KurumDisi/Disliskiler/UIPBasvuru.aspx>.

Applicants are required to use their applicant numbers to access the results.

Timeline for 2025 Applications

Procedures	Dates
Application Period	24 February - 30 May
Evaluation Process	May-June
Interviews	June
Announcement of Results	July
Transition to Türkiye and Orientation Programs	August - September (Beginning of Academic Year)

Online Application
www.diyamet.gov.tr (Announcements)
APPLICATION DATE
24 FEBRUARY
30 MAY 2025


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International Divinity Program

The International Divinity Program (IDP) is a scholarship initiative coordinated by the Presidency of Religious Affairs to provide opportunities for religious higher education in Türkiye to **Turkish youth residing abroad and applicants from other nations**.

This program is designed to offer undergraduate-level religious education in the faculties of divinity across Türkiye to students who have successfully completed their high school education abroad. Applicants who meet the admission requirements and pass the interview-based selection process are placed in the divinity faculties within the scope of the program's quotas.

IDP students receive education within the framework of the existing academic system and curriculum of the divinity faculties. Upon successful completion of the program, students are awarded a Bachelor's Degree in Divinity.

The following faculties currently offer the International Divinity Program:

- Ankara University Faculty of Theology
- Marmara University Faculty of Theology
- İstanbul University Faculty of Theology
- Necmettin Erbakan University Faculty of Theology
- Uludağ University Faculty of Theology
- 29 Mayıs University Faculty of Theology

Study Aids

- Grant (Monthly financial aid)
- Boarding (Meals)
- Lodging (Accommodation)
- Basic Educational Expenses (University tuition fees)

Sociocultural Activities

- Tours
- Summer and Winter Camps
- Student Club Activities
- Social Volunteering Projects
- Graduation Programs

Vocational Training and Internship Programs

- Communication and Guidance in Religious Services
- Religious Oratory

- Khutbah (Sermon) and Preaching
- Religious Music
- Oratory and Du'a (Supplication) in Religious Ceremonies
- Internship Opportunities in Mosques, Qur'an Courses, Mufti's Offices, Educational Institutions,
- Religious Counselling
- Spiritual and Social Counselling (Prisons, Child Care Centers, Elderly Care Centers)

Supplementary Training Programs

- Arabic Language Courses
- Holy Qur'an and Tajwid (Proper Recitation of the Qur'an)
- Basic Islamic Studies (Tafsir, Hadith, Islamic Law, Kalam)
- Thematic Seminars
- Workshops

Career Opportunities

- Religious Official Positions Abroad
- Mosque Guidance Roles
- Religious Graduate-Specialized Education Program
- Graduate Education Opportunities
- Other Opportunities

Application Requirements

Applications for the program are based on the "Principles Related to the Admission of Foreign Students," as stipulated by higher education institutions.

Applicants must fulfill the following conditions:

1. Having already graduated from a high school or currently being an active full-time student attending the final year of a high school.
2. Being a citizen of relevant country or holding dual citizenship/ Blue Card or permanent residence permit
3. Being younger than 25 years of age as of January 1, 2025. (Applicants born before January 1, 2000, are not eligible.)
4. Being single
5. Applicants previously admitted to the program but dismissed for any reason, as well as those accepted but did not enroll without a valid excuse, are not eligible.
6. Currently not being enrolled in a divinity program in Türkiye

Note: Turkish citizens, individuals with a high school diploma issued by the Republic of Türkiye Ministry of National Education, and Open Learning High School graduates are ineligible to apply for the International Divinity Program.

Application Procedures

Candidates who wish to apply for the program

1. Fill in the application form at <https://dibbys.diyinet.gov.tr/IKYS/Sinav/KurumDisi/Disliskiler/UIPBasvuru.aspx>
2. Upload the following documents to the system:
 - ▶ High school diploma (for high school graduates)
 - ▶ High school diploma equivalency certificate (can be obtained from the educational counsellor or educational attaché office in the embassies and general consulates of the Republic of Türkiye)
 - ▶ A document or transcript proving enrollment in the final year of high school (for final-year students)
 - ▶ Valid ID card or passport copy
 - ▶ Permanent residence certificate (for non-citizens who hold a permanent residence permit in the country they reside).
 - ▶ Undertaking certificate. (Annex-1)
 - ▶ Biometric photograph taken within the last 6 (six) months
3. Submit the **photocopies of the above documents, along with a printed application form, the undertaking certificate (Annex-1), and one (1) photograph** to the nearest Office of Religious Service Counsellor or Office of Attaché.
4. Complete the relevant section of the reference letter (Annex-2) by downloading it from the UIP application page at <https://dibbys.diyinet.gov.tr/IKYS/Sinav/KurumDisi/Disliskiler/UIPBasvuru.aspx> and submit it to the religious official working under the Presidency of Religious Affairs. The religious official will complete the necessary section and personally submit the document to the Office of Religious Counsellor or Office of Attaché.
5. After submitting the documents to the Office of Religious Counsellor or Office of Attaché, your application will be activated.
6. Applications not submitted to the Office of Religious Counsellors or Office of Attaché by **30 May 2025, Friday** will be considered invalid.

NOTE: After completing the application form, you may update your information using the application number provided, until the documents are submitted to the Office of Religious Counsellors or the Office of Attaché.

Application Dates

The 2025 UIP application period will be open from **24 February to 30 May 2025**.