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ERCIYES UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF MEDICINE













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For over fifty years, Erciyes University Faculty of Medicine (ERUMED) has been a significant pillar in medical education and research within Türkiye. Our Faculty's ethos is deeply rooted in a rich historical

tradition, demonstrating a steadfast dedication to the teaching of medical professionals who not only excel in their scientific pursuits but also uphold the highest ethical standards. The heritage of the Gevher Nesibe Hospital and Medical School Complex greatly influences this ethos. Established in 1206 in Kayseri to honor Seljuk Princess Gevher Nesibe, this complex represents the earliest known example of a university hospital. It signifies the historical genesis of our Faculty of Medicine, continuing a distinguished and unparalleled medical tradition.

Our educational philosophy is centered around the holistic development of physicians and specialists, fostering robust leadership, management, and communication skills. The curriculum is designed to encourage scientific and analytical thinking, emphasizing the importance of ongoing education in the dynamically changing field of medicine. ERUMED's significant contributions to national and international medical communities and active participation in the ERASMUS Exchange Program afford our students and faculty exceptional opportunities for global interaction and collaborative learning. This enhances our worldwide perspective in medical education and practice and aligns with our long-standing commitment to perpetual learning and innovation.

Looking to the future, ERUMED is unwavering in its ambition to be at the forefront of global healthcare. We strive to be the premier medical education and research institution, delivering exemplary education and advanced training. Our mission is to sculpt the future of healthcare, preparing our graduates to be trailblazers in their fields and to continue honoring a legacy of over half a century of medical distinction.

Cemal Alper KEMALOĞLU, MD, FEBOPRAS, ML Dean, Erciyes University Faculty of Medicine

ERUMED: A Legacy of Excellence in Medical Education







ERUMED, initially established as the Gevher Nesibe Faculty of Medicine under the aegis of Hacettepe University in 1968, transformed a critical faculty within Erciyes University in 1978. Since its inception, ERUMED has consistently upheld an eminent reputation for excellence in medical education and research. The undergraduate medical program of the Faculty aligns seamlessly with the Turkish Undergraduate Medical Education National Standards and is accredited by the National Medical Education Accreditation Board.

Ranking among the top 10 most prestigious Faculties of Medicine in Türkiye, ERUMED boasts a diverse student population of about 2,000, with women constituting 49% of the demographic. The university admits 287 new students each year, further enriching its vibrant academic community. Additionally, ERUMED's academic excellence is fortified by employing approximately 300 faculty members whose expertise and mentorship are pivotal in sustaining the university's esteemed status in medical education.

ERUMED distinguishes itself through a commitment to cultivating future leaders in medicine. The institution's rigorous curriculum, innovative teaching methods, and state-of-the-art facilities equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in various medical specialties. The Faculty emphasizes developing critical thinking, ethical reasoning, and leadership qualities in its students, preparing them to take on pivotal roles in healthcare and medical research. Graduates of ERUMED are recognized for their clinical competence, scientific understanding, and commitment to advancing global health standards.

These attributes underscore ERUMED's role as a leading institution in medical education, research, and clinical practice, continuing a legacy of excellence that far surpasses its historical beginnings.

State-of-the-Art Facilities

We take great pride in our advanced facilities at ERUMED, situated within Erciyes University's Health Application and Research Center. These facilities are vital to our dedication to outstanding medical education and research. Our infrastructure is equipped with the latest in medical science and technology and promotes a culture of innovation and excellence.



The Erciyes University Gevher Nesibe Genomics and Stem Cell Institute (GENKÖK) is a prime example of our cutting-edge facilities. Inaugurated in 2012, the institute encompasses five multidisciplinary departments: Clinical Research, Metabolism and Chronic Diseases, Molecular Biology and Genetics, Neuroscience, and Plant Biotechnology. The institute's faculty is dedicated to fostering an environment that promotes high achievement in postgraduate education. This initiative aims to develop highly qualified scientists well-versed in contemporary technological and economic trends, preparing them to contribute significantly to global advancements and attain professional success.



Further exemplifying our commitment to medical innovation is the **Vaccine Research and Development Center at Erciyes University (ERAGEM)**, which was established in 2015. ERAGEM's primary focus is the identification of known and emerging infectious agents, the study of their immunological characteristics, and the development of potential vaccine candidates. It gained prominence during the COVID-19 pandemic by successfully culturing the SARS-CoV-2 virus under Biosafety Level 3 (BSL-3) conditions, spearheaded by Prof. Dr. Aykut Özdarendeli. Additionally, the center has developed an inactivated cell culture-based vaccine against Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF), with Phase 1 trials completed successfully in 2018. ERAGEM's broad spectrum of activities extends to significant contributions to health at national and international levels, sharing findings through scientific publications and conducting educational programs.

The Clinical Simulation Center (KSM), a standout feature of our institution, is currently under development. This facility is intended to be much more than a mere physical location; it is planned as an extensive learning hub where students can acquire and refine medical skills in a realistic and controlled environment. The center will be crucial for advancing the expertise of research assistants in medical specialty training and physicians engaged in post-graduate education. It will offer a secure environment for students to practice and perfect their clinical abilities, ensuring their comprehensive preparation for real-life medical situations.

In conclusion, these state-of-the-art facilities and specialized research centers at ERUMED are not just physical structures but embody our dedication to nurturing future medical professionals. They play a crucial role in our mission to equip students with the necessary tools and knowledge to thrive in the dynamic and challenging landscape of the healthcare industry.



ERUMED stands out as a unique academic milieu, harmoniously integrating cultural diversity, intellectual stimulation, and a holistic approach to well-being. This meticulously designed environment fosters the growth of tomorrow's medical leaders. The university's commitment to environmental sustainability is nationally and internationally lauded, demonstrated by its prominent placement (85th globally and 3rd among Turkish universities) in The UI GreenMetric World University Ranking, a testament to its green campus and sustainable practices.

Beyond its rigorous academic offerings, ERUMED enriches student life with many cultural, artistic, and wellness activities. A notable landmark is the wooden caduceus sculpture at the campus's main entrance, a creation of the Faculty of Fine Arts. This tree sculpture, representing the confluence of medicine, art, and nature, encapsulates ERUMED's comprehensive educational ethos. The campus's sustainability initiatives pervade various facets of university life, fostering a greener, healthier environment for all community members.

ERUMED's campus is a haven for artistic expression, epitomized by a piano in the main lecture building's entrance hall, symbolizing the intersection of art and science. The campus features diverse facilities, including a music room, a volleyball court, and spaces dedicated to leisure and meditation, ensuring a well-rounded student experience. Multiple reading halls throughout the campus offer serene environments for study and contemplation.

Adjacent to the lecture halls, the Sabancı Culture Center emerges as a vibrant hub for cultural engagement, contributing to the multifaceted student experience. The university's green initiatives and sustainable practices enhance cultural vibrancy and instill a sense of environmental responsibility.





A core aspect of ERUMED's intellectual ethos is its 'Book of the Month' initiative, widely acclaimed by students and faculty. This program features diverse literature, fostering reading, dialogue, and a sense of community. Complementing this literary culture, Crescendo, the university's music ensemble comprising students and staff, and the ERUMED Students' Theatre Group significantly enrich the campus atmosphere. These artistic endeavors integrate seamlessly with medical education, cultivating empathy, cultural sensitivity, and holistic wellness—crucial competencies for future healthcare professionals.

In conclusion, ERUMED transcends the traditional boundaries of an academic institution, offering a vibrant community where students can thrive academically, personally, and culturally. It is a nurturing ground for future medical professionals, where arts, culture, wellness, and environmental awareness are integral to medical education.

Location

Combining historical allure with modern dynamism, Kayseri offers a vibrant setting for ERUMED's students and faculty. Located in Central Anatolia, Türkiye, this city melds its rich ancient history with contemporary life, making it a significant cultural and trade center.

Kayseri is a bustling, dynamic city that appeals to various interests. Adventure enthusiasts are drawn to Mount Erciyes, renowned for its exceptional ski slopes and the thrilling paragliding opportunities at Mount Ali. History enthusiasts will find the Old City captivating, with its rich blend of Roman, Byzantine, Seljuk, and Ottoman cultures and the ancient settlement of Kültepe, which dates back to the 3rd millennium BC. The city's proximity to the magnificent landscapes of Cappadocia also adds to its charm. With its combination of historical landmarks, recreational activities, and its role as a hub for education and industry, Kayseri provides a comprehensive and memorable experience for visitors.

ERUMED, located on the south campus of Erciyes University, benefits from excellent public transportation links, including tram and bus services. This connectivity facilitates easy access to the campus for students and faculty and enriches campus life by enabling seamless involvement in city events and activities.





ERASMUS Program

The Erasmus Program at ERUMED offers medical students and faculty opportunities to broaden their education and professional skills internationally. ERUMED partners with universities in Italy, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, and other European countries for exchanges, allowing participants to study or intern abroad for 2 to 12 months, with a total limit of 24 months.

Eligibility for this program requires students to exhibit academic excellence and proficiency in either English or Turkish. Since the prerequisites and application processes differ across institutions, applicants are encouraged to consult with the Erasmus coordinator or the international office at Erciyes University for tailored information. Prospective participants should initiate the application process approximately one year before their intended start date to ensure compliance with all requisite criteria and deadlines.

The program offers a rare opportunity to immerse in varied healthcare systems, partake in intercultural exchanges, and significantly augment medical education and practice globally.





Prof. Dr. Arzu YAY
Erasmus Coordinator

"The Erasmus program provides international education opportunities and promotes collaboration between countries. Students participating in this program benefit from advanced educational systems, language proficiency, and cultural insights. Since 2012, ERUMED has been involved in the Erasmus program, establishing connections with ten universities and continuously seeking further partnerships. We aim to strengthen these relationships, expanding our students' educational opportunities and facilitating their engagement with the worldwide medical community."



Prof. Dr. Sibel AKIN, MD

"The diversity and dedication of the students at ERUMED make teaching here exceptionally rewarding. Witnessing exchange students integrate seamlessly into our community and bringing fresh perspectives to medical discussions has been a highlight for me. The university's commitment to creating a supportive and dynamic learning environment is commendable."



Mert KORKMAZ Senior Medical Student

"The ERASMUS program greatly expanded my understanding of medicine and improved my communication ability, which has been incredibly valuable in my career. It gave me a worldwide perspective and the skills to work smoothly with professionals from different countries."













Explore the exceptional opportunities at ERUMED, which is renowned for its accredited medical program and commitment to academic excellence. As one of the top 10 most sought-after Faculties of Medicine in Türkiye, ERUMED offers an all-encompassing educational journey. This includes a stringent academic curriculum, groundbreaking research, and a vibrant, culturally diverse campus life.

Participate in the Erasmus Exchange Program and join our community that prioritizes academic achievement and collaborative growth. Our partnership provides a mutually beneficial exchange for students and faculty, fostering global networks and markedly advancing the field of medical sciences.



Embark on a journey of medical excellence and global collaboration at ERUMED, where every step forward is a stride toward healthcare leadership.

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