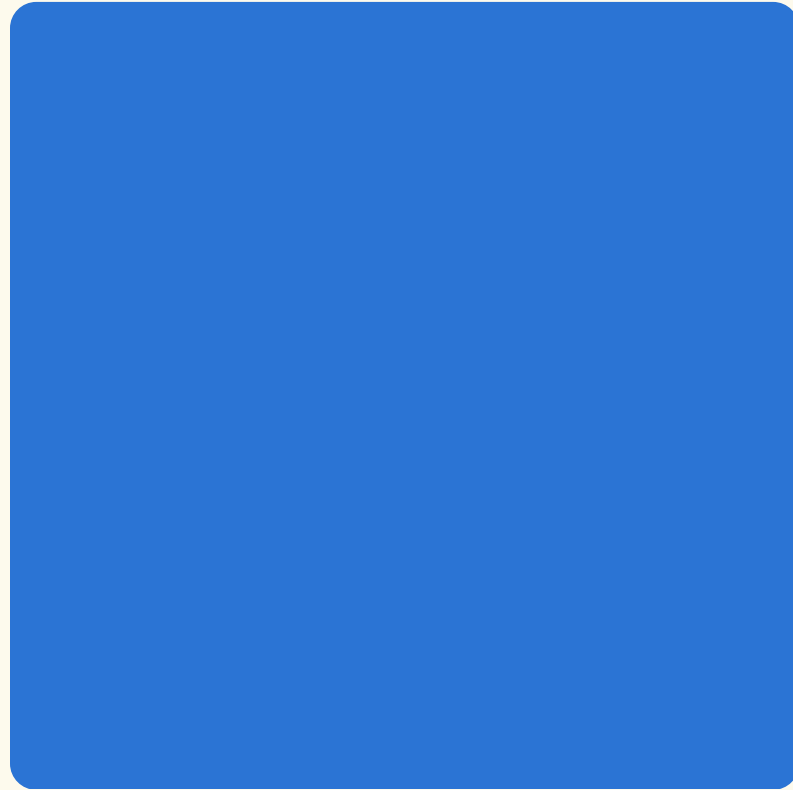
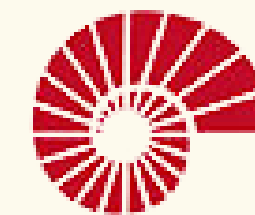




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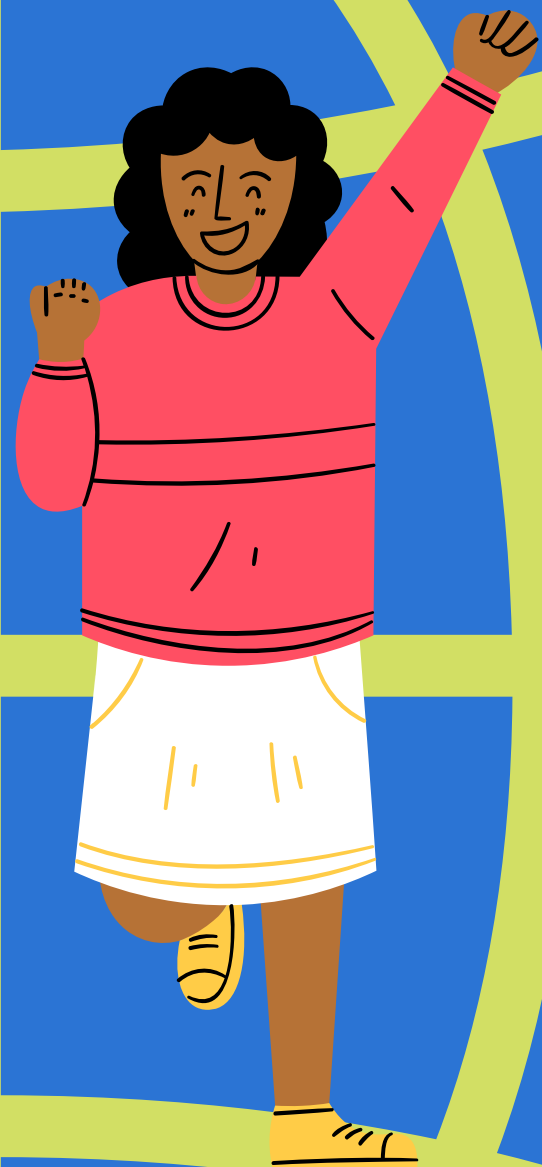


**2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
GLOBAL EXCHANGE
PRE-DEPARTURE
ORIENTATION SESSION
FOR FALL 2023 STUDENTS**



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TODAY'S SCHEDULE



- Getting to know
- Cross-Cultural Communication & Cultural Adaptation
- Technical Matters
- Academic Matters
- Practical Matters
- Q&A Session

Who to contact ?

To contact about any of your questions concerning exchange, feel free to contact us.

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CROSS-CULTURAL COMMUNICATION & CULTURAL ADAPTATION



Exchange is a "CHANGE" process that helps you learn and develop personally

Change of place, culture, language, people, and a change of YOU!

Potential adjustment challenges

- Expectations
- Cultural values

FOR A BETTER LEARNING EXPERIENCE

**Be a good observer
and don't be afraid
to ask questions**

**Don't be afraid to ask
for help/support**

**Don't make quick
judgements and
generalizations.**

**Develop realistic
expectations about
your exchange
semester.**

**Be flexible and open
to difference and
conflict.**

**Reflect on your
experiences,
incidents that stand
out to you.**

Be prepared for possible questions & stereotypes about Turkey.

Make sure that you know enough about the topic and engage in discussions without taking it personally

ACADEMIC CULTURE AT HOST UNIVERSITY

Different expectations with regards to written work, class types/size, modes of assignments, etc.

Be prepared for different styles of teaching

Research academic guidance on the host institution website



ACADEMIC CULTURE AT HOST UNIVERSITY



Read all the orientation materials provided by the host university

Get help from the International Office of the host university when needed

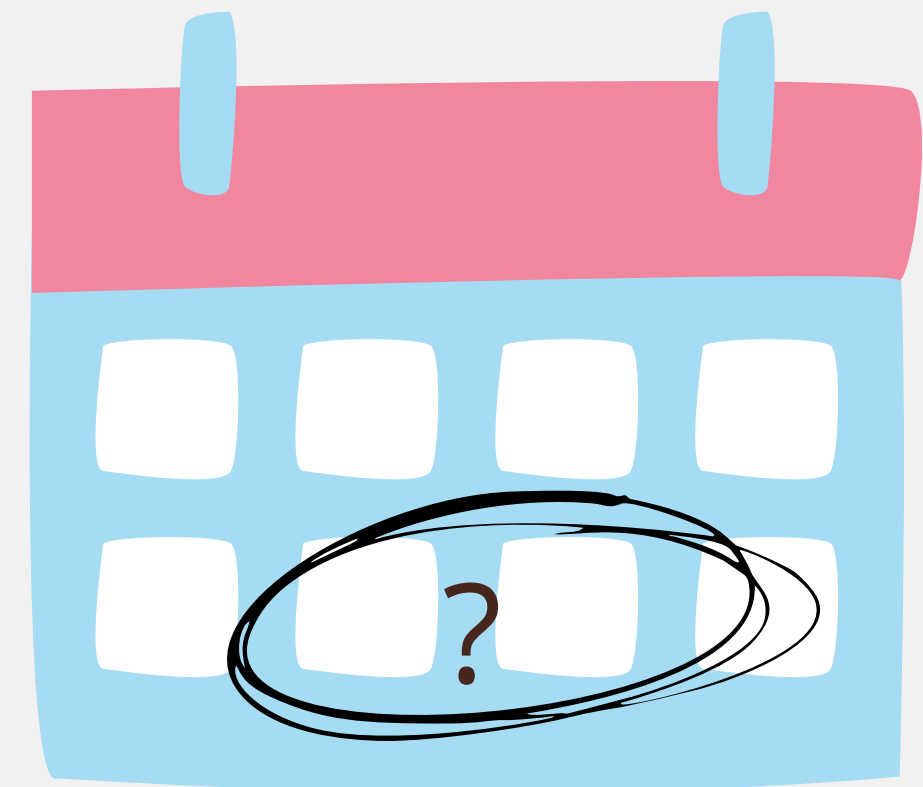
Learn who your exchange coordinator at Koç University & academic advisor at the host university is

IF YOUR SEMESTER DATES CLASH

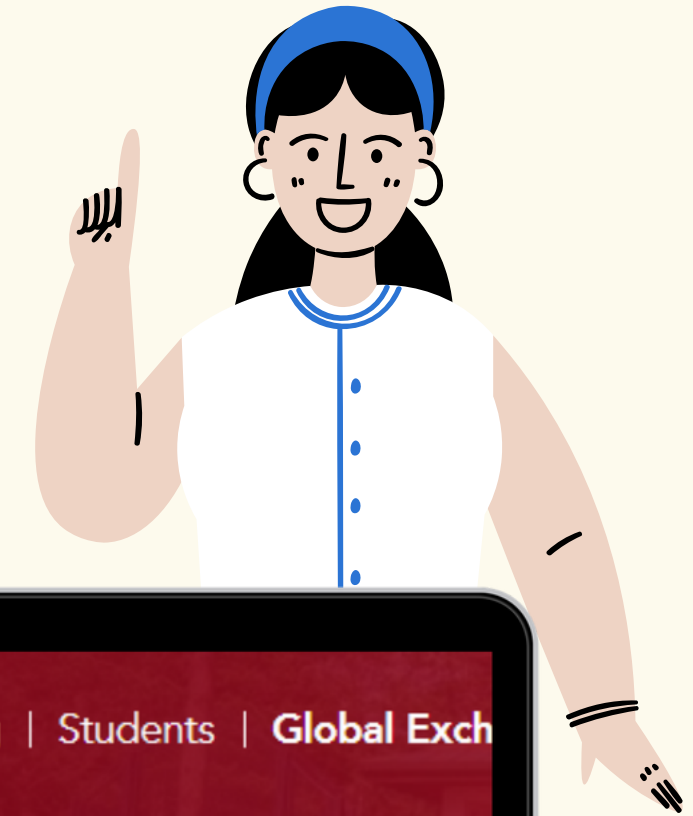
- Consult your faculty & professors at KU
- Consult your host university

Possible options:

- Early finals
- Remote(online) finals
- Assignments
- Proctoring the finals at the host university



GLOBAL EXCHANGE FAQ



Global Exchange

Frequently Asked Questions

This FAQ document is prepared for KU students to learn the rules and requirements of the Global Exchange Program. Students are highly advised to read this document before contacting OIP with their specific questions.

Updated March 2021



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Global Exchange

NEW! Global Exchange FAQ

As OIP, we have gathered the most frequently asked questions and give our students detailed information about the program. We provide answers and contact us after going through all the questions.

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BEFORE THE MOBILITY

Nomination –
done by OIP

After your nomination you must apply to the partner university until the deadline set by the partner with all the required documents. The application procedure to the partner university is student's responsibility.

Please note that partner universities have the final decision in terms of the acceptance/rejection of your application.



CHECK THE WEBSITE OF THE PARTNER UNIVERSITIES REGULARLY FOR UPDATED INFORMATION.



**STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE VISA PROCEDURES.
DO NOT BUY YOUR TICKETS BEFORE YOU RECEIVE YOUR ACCEPTANCE LETTER AND VISA.**

In Case You Cancel Your Mobility



- If you would like to cancel your mobility you should inform us as soon as possible by signing the cancellation petition, in order to select courses from Koç University at Fall 2023 semester.
- If you do not inform OIP on time you will not be able to make pre-/ course registration at KU.
- Your acceptance is valid for the term you are accepted, and it can not be transferred to the following year or term.



GLOBAL EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP



Once you submit all of your **Before Mobility** documents to OIP, a payment order for those who receive a Global Exchange Scholarship will be sent





DOCUMENTS

All documents must
be uploaded onto
kuapp.ku.edu.tr

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Application Form	Application Date	Academic Year	Academic Term	Exchange Program	Mobility Type	Registration Type	Application Status
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University Won: York University, Schulich School of Business **Score:** 82.1200 **Budget:** Granted [Outgoing Student Application Form](#)

Upload Your Documents

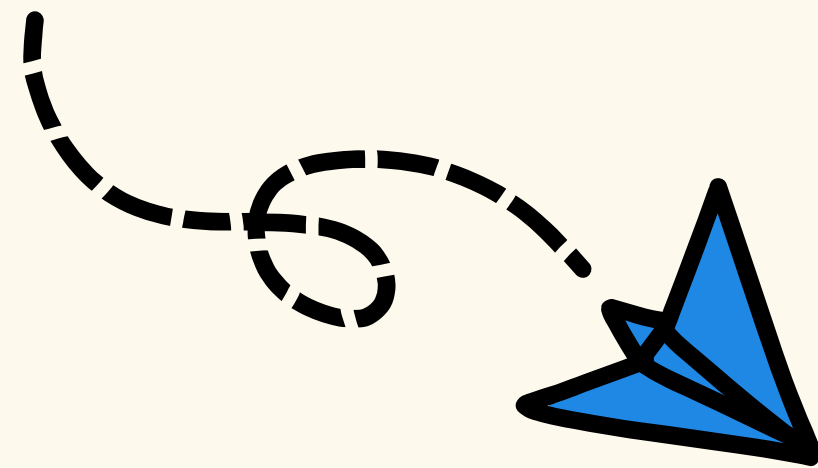
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Before Mobility (Upload Waiting: 2 Pending Approval: 2)					
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GLOBAL EXCHANGE PROCEDURES

Before the
Mobility



During the
Mobility



After the
Mobility






GLOBAL EXCHANGE MOBILITY DOCUMENTS

BEFORE MOBILITY

- Commitment Letter
- Acceptance Letter
- Course Equivalency Form (Before part)

*Engineering students

 **KOÇ UNIVERSITY**

Course Equivalency Form for Exchange Programs

Name of the Student: _____
Department : _____ Standing: _____
Academic Advisor: _____
Student Phone & E-Mail: _____
Name of the Host Institution: _____
Exchange Semester: _____

	Host Institution			Koc University		
	Course Title	Code	Credits	Course Title	Code	Credits
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
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10						

For Office Use Only

Approved by Faculty Dean or Associate Dean

(Name)

(Signature & Date)

GLOBAL EXCHANGE MOBILITY DOCUMENTS



**DURING
MOBILITY**

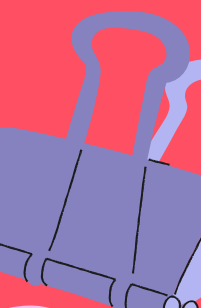
Course Code	Course Title	Deleted	Added	# of credits

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

RECEIVING INSTITUTION
We confirm the above-listed changes for the initially agreed program of the approved

Coordinator's Signature: _____ Date: _____

- Course Equivalency Form (During/After part)



GLOBAL EXCHANGE MOBILITY DOCUMENTS

AFTER MOBILITY

- Course Equivalency Form (After Mobility)
- Partner University Transcript
- Certificate of Attendance
- KU Transcript after exchange

Course Code	Course Title	Deleted	Added	# of credits

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

RECEIVING INSTITUTION
We confirm the above-listed changes for the initially agreed program of the approved

Coordinator's Signature: _____ Date: _____

ACADEMIC MATTERS AT KU

**If your exchange GPA is > 2.00 you can choose to transfer your credits or grades to your Koç transcript.
Credits or grades cannot be transferred partially.**

Students are required to take 9 KU credit worth of courses/project work, etc.

- Important Rule for students who receive Global Exchange Scholarship:**
- **Students are required to take 15 KU credit worth of courses/project work, etc.**
 - **We are expecting your exchange GPA to be 2.50 / 4.00 or higher.**

Once you receive the host university's transcript, it's your responsibility to take it to your faculty to start the course recognition process

PASSPORT

If you do not have a passport or want to renew your passport, you can get a petition from the Dean of Students office in order to get a passport **FREE of CHARGE**



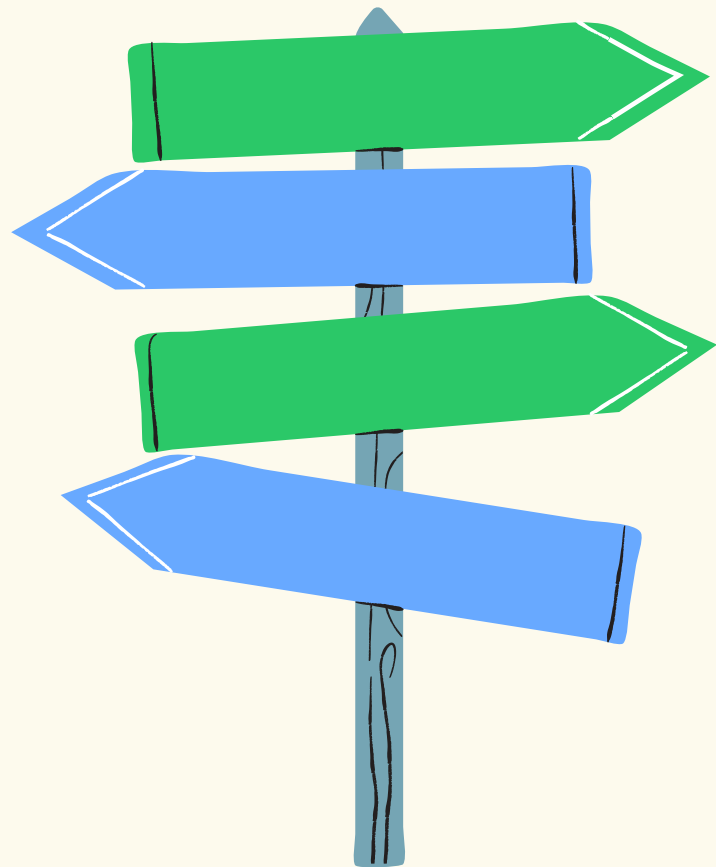
STUDENT VISA

Students can get their visa letter from **OIP**.

ATTENTION:

Check the website of the consulate for the required visa documents

It is the responsibility of the student to fulfill the required documents and procedure and apply on time.



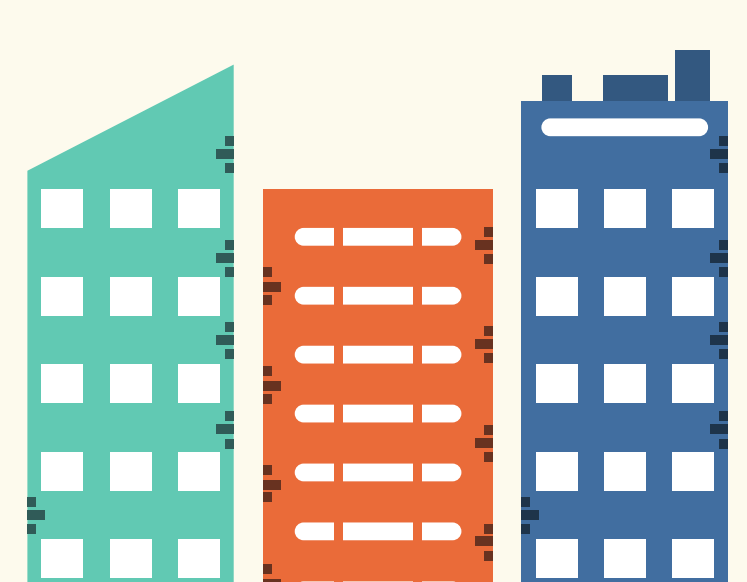
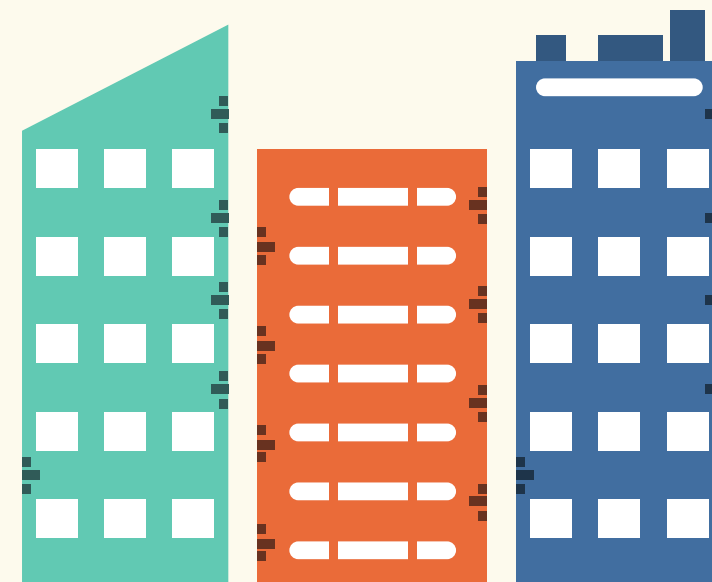
IMPORTANT NOTES

You may need a residence permit during your stay at the host country

Please read any pre-arrival material provided by the host university

Get necessary documents ready before your departure

Follow International Office's instructions while you are there



ACCOMMODATION

Mind the deadlines/procedures regarding housing application

Many partner universities offer on/off campus accommodation

Accommodation arrangement is your responsibility

Do research on student recommendations

Be flexible and open to difference and conflict.

For private accommodation, check the following;

Area: is the area safe? Do other students choose to live there?

Location: is it near the campus? If not, what is the transportation cost? Do the university provide free-transportation card?

Price: does it include bills?



HEALTH AND SAFETY

Be prepared for possible questions about Turkey. Before discussion, make sure that you know enough about the topic and discuss without taking it personally

Photographing police, military or government building or monuments might be forbidden and have penalty

In case of theft; keep a couple of copies of your passport and residence permit at different locations

If you have an accident or major health problem, inform your family, host university and KU OIP ASAP

- Show respect and sensitivity for cultural, political and social issues
- If there is a security concern, contact your family/university ASAP

- Follow the rules & regulations of the host country
- Keep your distance from any large political demonstrations

If your passport is stolen, inform Turkish Consulate ASAP

Inform your host university & close friends about your emergency contacts' details

TIPS FROM OIP

**Check your KU e-mail address
regularly**

**Please complete and submit
the required documents on
time**

**Please do not wait until the deadline
to submit your documents especially
for your visa application**

**Do your own research about
the host country!**

**Get involved with the
International Student Club at
host institution**



OIP CONTACT INFORMATION



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Online Office Hours





Q&A

Please raise a hand to ask your questions

Thank you for listening!

