



EMU Appears on Times Higher Education List



Prof. Dr. Osam indicated that success is never a coincidence and that EMU is a continuously growing and developing university. Prof. Dr. Osam concluded by stating that EMU is the best education institution on the island and amongst the best in the world.

Some of the best world universities including Oxford, California Institute of Technology, Stanford, Cambridge, MIT, Harvard and Princeton also featured on the list. The ranking considers factors such as teaching, research, knowledge transfer, references to academic publications, international academic personnel, number of international students, social activities and community service.

EMU Proves there are no Ambargos on Education

With its latest international achievement, EMU has once again proved that there are no ambargoes on education. After appearing amongst Turkish universities on previous lists EMU was included as a Turkish Cypriot university for the first time on the THE 2016-2017 Academic Year "BRICS and Emerging Economies University Rankings". By appearing 173rd on the list EMU resulted in TRNC being featured for the first time on such a list. EMU was also the only university from the TRNC to appear on the 2016-2017 Academic Year World University Rankings. EMU's achievements and TRNC featuring on the list had led to a series of reactions from South Cyprus.



United Kingdom based higher education ranking board Times Higher Education (THE) has announced its 2017-2018 Academic Year World University Rankings. On the list that features 1100 universities from 79 different countries the Eastern Mediterranean University is the only university from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). With this achievement, EMU furthers its success from the 2016-2017 Academic Year World University Rankings.

Providing a statement on the matter, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam indicated that he is elated and proud to announce that EMU appeared amongst the top 601-800 world universities.



EMU Faculty of Pharmacy Obtains Pharmacists Council of Nigeria Accreditation



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Pharmacy has been accredited by the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria (PCN). The inspection that took place between the 28-29 August 2017 was attended by PCN Chair Mohammed N. A. Elijah and Council Education and Internship Department Chair Dr. Idoko Anthony Sule.

Giving priority to their visit to the EMU Faculty of Pharmacy, the committee came together with Faculty Dean (a.) Assoc. Prof. Dr. H. Ozan Gülcan and Vice Dean Asst. Prof. Dr. Aybike Yektaoğlu. Within the framework of the two-day inspection and evaluation, Faculty Dean and academic staff members provided

the visiting group with information regarding the activities and education quality of the faculty, laboratories, accommodation and catering services provided for students, institutional structure, university and state support, sustainable quality and financial structure as well as the international status of the faculty.

During the inspection, the committee also came together with EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova and Prof. Dr. M. Yaşar Özden receiving information about accreditations and the emphasis placed on quality. Also present at the meeting that took place at the Rector's Office were EMU Rector's Coordinator Asst. Prof. Dr. Arif Akkeleş, Faculty of Pharmacy Dean (a.) Assoc. Prof. Dr. H. Ozan Gülcan, Vice Dean Asst. Prof. Dr. Aybike Yektaoğlu, former dean and academic staff member of the Faculty of Pharmacy Prof. Dr. Mustafa Fethi

Şahin and Director of the Personnel Affairs Department Özlem Avcı.

Following their contacts, the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria held a meeting at the EMU Rector's Office where, Chair Mohammed N. A. Elijah provided information about the report they prepared based on their observations and added that as the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, they grant accreditation to EMU Faculty of Pharmacy. Elijah also provided information about the Council. Meanwhile, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam noted that they are proud and honored by the Faculty of Pharmacy's important achievement. Prof. Dr. Osam stated that Nigerian graduates of the EMU Faculty of Pharmacy can start carrying out their professions immediately after completing the terms of their country. In his speech, Prof. Dr. Osam also emphasized that EMU is a university that invests in quality.

Another Accreditation for EMU SCT



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), School of Computing and Technology (SCT) Information Technology (IT) postgraduate program has obtained ASIIN (Germany) accreditation. Carrying out a first for postgraduate programs EMU-SCT also obtained a EuroInf certificate of quality. With its newly obtained accreditation, SCT has raised its number of accredited programs to a grand total of 13.

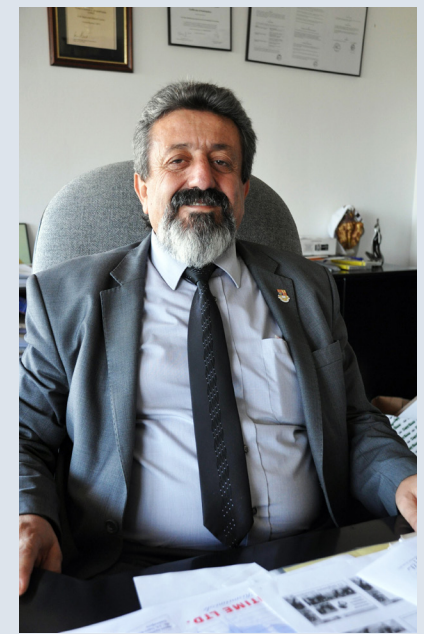
The SCT programs Electrical and Electronics Technology (2 and 3

year), Construction Technology (2 and 3 year), Computer Programming (2 and 3 year), Biomedical Equipment Technology (2 and 3 year) and Mapping and Cadastral Survey (2 year) had obtained accreditations last year.

EMU SCT Director Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa İlkan noted that the ASIIN accreditation obtained by the Information Technology Postgraduate program is yet another achievement of SCT. Stating that SCT was the first academic unit founded at EMU, Prof.

Dr. İlkan noted that they are also training intermediate staff.

Defining accreditations as an examination process carried out by a third party to review standards, Prof. Dr. İlkan noted that they have obtained an accreditation valid in 28 EU nations. Prof. Dr. İlkan went on to describe accreditations as proof of quality in education. Stating that Germany is where vocational education is of the highest quality, Prof. Dr. İlkan provided a reminder that SCT's FIBAA and



ASIIN accreditations are German accreditations.

Prof. Dr. İlkan indicated that the Information Systems program has an international ASIIN accreditation that will allow graduates to travel freely throughout the world especially in Europe. Prof. Dr. İlkan also pointed out that their quality education has been acknowledged by the certificate of quality EuroInf which was awarded by EQAINE.

EMU Graduate Dr. Ali Övgün to Work at CERN



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Arts and Sciences Faculty, Physics Department Doctorate Program graduate Dr. Ali Övgün has been accepted by the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) to carry out research on how black holes and wormholes can be discovered. Dr. Övgün will start working as a guest researcher at the Theory Department of CERN in October 2017.

After finishing his postgraduate education at the EMU Department of Physics, Dr. Övgün completed his doctorate program in 3.5 years, also publishing 14 Web of Science articles. Dr. Övgün who published a total of 39 articles in international physics journals, published 30 Web of Science articles and 9 articles are waiting to be published in WOS journals.

Dr. Övgün who worked at EMU for one year as a part-time academician after completing his doctorate degree, is currently working at CONICYT which is Chile's equivalent of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey. Participating in post-doctorate research projects at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaiso (PUCV) University in Valparaiso, Chile Dr. Övgün is currently working on a 500,000 TL (135,000 USD) project. Dr. Övgün will continue working as a Post-Doctorate Physics Researcher at PUCV between

the 15th of March 2017 and the 15th of March 2020.

"I owe my success to EMU"

Speaking on his CERN application process, Dr. Övgün noted that he was asked questions about his background and the schools he graduated from stating "I was asked for a list of the articles I have published. I received acceptance one month after submitting what was requested of me. It is easy to visit CERN as a tourist but not as a Guest Researcher that closely follows research and experiments, working together with other physicists. I would like to thank EMU, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Halilsoy who was my advisor at the university and our new Department Head Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı. I owe my success to them. I would also like to thank EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and everyone working at the University for their constant support."

New Black hole Models will be Generated

Dr. Övgün listed his aims of going to CERN as exchanging ideas with physicists at the world's leading theoretical and practical physics hub, observing experiments and generating new black hole and wormhole models based on these experiments. Dr. Övgün, who will be carrying out research at CERN throughout October, will be carrying out research with a different group at the Waterloo Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics in Canada during February.

EMU Graduate Accepted by New York University

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) continues to prove that it is of a world class standard via its graduates. EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Economics Department Undergraduate program graduate Mohammad Hormozzadeh has been accepted by one of the world's leading universities. Hormozzadeh has gained acceptance from New York University where he will

be continuing his postgraduate education Hormozzadeh, will begin studying the Financial Engineering program at New York University, School of Engineering in the 2017-2018 Academic Year. With its long-term international collaborations with the world's leading universities, EMU continues to provide its students the opportunity to study at the world's best universities.



EMU Featured in El-Pais Newspaper



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) was featured in the Sunday Supplement

of the Spanish Newspaper El-Pais. The article praised EMU touching upon

the university having over 20 thousand students from 106 different countries

also highlighting its international profile despite being located in an unrecognized country. The article also underlined the safe nature of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) whilst touching upon EMU's quality education, accreditations and international achievements. El-Pais newspaper representatives María Hervás Pérez and Ana Nance visited Cyprus carrying out interviews with students from both sides of the island regarding the Cyprus problem. During their visit to EMU, the duo visited Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam in his office, receiving information about the university and also carrying out a video interview. The representatives received extensive information about EMU's academic development and world ranking as well as its student and academic personnel profile. Images were also captured from campus and interviews carried out with international students. Detailed information about the mentioned article can be reached from the website www.elpaissemanal.com.

Hür-İş Trade Union Visits EMU



Hür-İş Trade Union visited Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam in his office. During the visit where head of the union Ahmet Çaluda was also present, information was provided about Hür-İş and their membership to the Confederation of Turkish Trade Unions (Türk-İş).

Stating that Hür-İş is a federation that values education, Ahmet Çaluda noted that they are working on collaboration protocols with Turkish

Cypriot universities regarding discounts for the children of union members.

Speaking at the visit, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam provided information about EMU, stating that the university has signed many collaboration protocols with different institutions. The meeting also touched upon possible collaborations between the two institutions.

This Week's Academic Publications

Source: *Web of Science*

Faculty of Engineering

1 - Mina Farmanbar, Önsen Toygar. Spoof detection on face and palmprint biometrics. *SIGNAL IMAGE AND VIDEO PROCESSING*, 11(7): 1253-1260, OCT 2017.

2 - Kiyam Parham, Hamed Alimoradiyan, Mohsen Assadi. Energy, exergy and environmental analysis of a novel combined system producing power, water and hydrogen. *ENERGY*, 134:882-892, SEP 1 2017.

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routing problem with replenishment at intermediate depots: Formulation and meta-heuristics. *COMPUTERS & INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING*, 110:191-206, AUG 2017.

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Faculty of Business & Economics

Acar Kutay. How does the European Commission create a European civil society with words? A discourse theoretical inquiry. *JCMS-JOURNAL OF COMMON MARKET STUDIES*, 55(5):1094-1109, SEP 2017.