

EMU COLLABORATES WITH ANOTHER INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION



Eastern Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and a delegation from the university paid a

visit to Üsküdar University Rector Prof. Dr. Nevzat Tarhan in İstanbul. During the visit, an academic collaboration

protocol regarding the establishment of joint programs and academic staff exchange was signed between the two

universities. Educational possibilities in Turkey and the TRNC were also among the points of discussion in the meeting.

Among those present in the visit accompanying Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam were Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı, Vice Rector for International Affairs and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, Dean of Health Sciences Faculty Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç and Acting Director of Public Relations and Press Office Directorate Murat Aktuđralı.

Üsküdar University was represented at the said meeting by General Secretary Selçuk Uysaler, Health Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Haydar Sur, Language and Speech Therapy Department Chair Prof. Dr. Ahmet Konrot, Strategy Development Director Ayşe Öztürk and Institutional Communication Coordinator Tahsin Aksu.



EMU FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES ORGANIZES OATH CEREMONY FOR GRADUATES



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Health Sciences organized an oath ceremony for the graduates of the 2017-2018 Academic Year Fall Semester. During the ceremony that took place at the Health Sciences Faculty Amphitheatre at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 30th of January 2018, a total of 128 undergraduate and associate level graduates recited their medical oaths.

At the ceremony that commenced with a moment of silence and the national anthem, the opening address was delivered by EMU Health Sciences

Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç. Prof. Dr. Malkoç stated that today is a proud and important day as their young colleagues are taking the first steps towards their prospective careers. Prof. Dr. Malkoç thanked the Health Sciences Faculty academic and administrative staff for the important roles they played on the road to the students' graduation. Addressing the graduates Prof. Dr. Malkoç requested that they act ethically and keep up to date with new developments in order to help their country and stay bound to Atatürk's principles and reforms. Prof. Dr. Malkoç

concluded her speech by extending her best wishes to the new graduates in their prospective careers.

Upon completion of the opening speech, EMU Health Sciences Faculty, Departments of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Nutrition and Dietetics, Nursing, Health Management and Sports Sciences undergraduate students recited their oaths as well as students from the associate programs, Oral and Dental Health, Anaesthesia, Surgery Services, Dialysis, Physiotherapy, First and Emergency Aid, Radiotherapy and

Medical Imaging Techniques. The oaths specific to each department, were recited together with department chairs or program coordinators.

All health personnel take oath before starting their careers in the field. The oath shows devotion to the principles and ethical values they will abide by throughout their careers. Oaths that are generally accepted as tradition in the field of health can show slight variations between different universities and departments.

EMU INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE DEPARTMENT GRADUATION JURY

Within the scope of the 2017-2018 Academic Year Fall Semester Graduation Jury, Eastern Mediterranean University Architecture Faculty Interior Architecture Department hosted Gül Güven and Destine Özkan as jury members. Taking place each academic term, the graduation jury hosts prominent academicians and career professionals who possess expertise in their fields. In this respect, founder of architecture company 'Ven', Gül Güven and professional architect Destine Özkan who has been involved in professional architectural projects in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus

were invited to the graduation jury of the current semester. Boasting two programs carried out in the medium of Turkish and English, EMU Interior Architecture Department successfully prepares the students for their chosen profession. In this respect, graduates of the department take the first step towards their chosen professions as individuals who have participated in competitions, who have received awards and who have developed different projects as part of the graduation jury. Coordinator of the English-medium program graduation project Assoc. Prof. Dr. Afet Çeliker Coşkun,

Coordinator of the Turkish-medium program graduation project Assist. Prof. Dr. Kamil Güley, Chair of the Interior Architecture Department Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağlı and Vice Chair of the Interior Architecture Department Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nil Paşaoğulları Şahin contributed to the professional development of the prospective graduates as jury members.

Design of "A factory project" constituted the theme of the graduation project. Within the scope of the said project, prospective graduates took into consideration factories located in the

Famagusta district which deals with local production. In this respect, establishing bonds and communication between the university and industry, one of the important aims of the project was fulfilled.

Following the completion of the graduation jury, participating projects were displayed at an exhibition followed by Gül Güven's presentation titled "Last Lesson". During her presentation, Güven talked about her projects and also touched upon the difficulties as well as beauties students may encounter in their prospective professional careers.



EMU ENGINEERING FACULTY DEAN PROF. DR. AYKUT HOCANIN HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS A MEMBER OF THE ENGINEERING DEANS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD



Eastern Mediterranean University Engineering Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın has been appointed as a member of the Engineering Deans Council Executive Board. Having taken place under the auspices of Balıkesir University Engineering Faculty, the 34th Engineering Deans Council hosted the formation of a Candidate Determination Board in line with Article 6 of the directive for the formation and operation of the said council. As a result of a voting session, Prof. Dr. Hocanın received the Candidate Determination Board's unanimous approval and was appointed as a member of the Engineering Deans Council Executive Board.

Established in line with a decision taken at the Engineering Deans Meeting which took place at the Middle East Technical University on 19 January 2001, the Engineering Deans Council formed by the deans of engineering and engineering-

architecture faculties of universities in Turkey and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus is a strong platform of information exchange where experiences are shared, good practices are discussed and strengths and weaknesses are analysed.

The Engineering Deans Council currently boasts the membership of 183 engineering faculties in 166 universities (116 state universities, 60 foundation universities, 5 TRNC universities and 2 universities with private status). The primary aim of the council is to exchange information on the problems faced in engineering education, to develop proposals ensuring the effective and productive delivery of the engineering education, to spend efforts in the actualisation of the said proposals, and to take necessary steps in the aforesaid areas as and when necessary.

EMU MEDICINE FACULTY SHARES TRNC COMMUNITY BASED CANCER FINDINGS FIRST TIME AT THE INTERNATIONAL PLATFORM WITH THE TRNC MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Eastern Mediterranean University Medicine Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora marked 4 February World Cancer Day with a statement released on behalf of the faculty. Stating that cancer is the most important health problem during the current period of time, Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora marked the disease as an important communal health problem due to its frequency and high mortality rate.

Prof. Dr. Gökçora put forth that cancer, after the cardiovascular diseases, is the second main reason for mortality in OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) countries. Adding that whilst the death rate from cancer was 15% in 1960s, the figure climbed up to 25% in 2013, Prof. Dr. Gökçora stated that in some countries, cancer is the most frequently encountered reason for deaths. Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora's statement is as follows:

With the development of diagnostic facilities and the increase in benefitting

from health institutions, more and more cancer incidents are diagnosed every passing year. There are over 100 different types of cancer. Most cancers are named after the organ in which they originate. The cancer development rate increases with age. Only 5% and 10% of all cancers are defined as hereditary. Environmental factors including smoking, obesity, lack of exercise and excessive exposure to sun provide answers to 90 to 95% of cancer incidents. (Health at a Glance, 2015 OECD report). Additionally, the occurrence of cancer incidents throughout the world has been consistently increasing all over the world.

Basic Health Services play a very important part in the fight against cancer including prevention of cancer, early diagnosis and treatment and decreasing the burden of cancer. The primary preventive strategy is to minimise risk factors in the society including smoking, obesity and environmental factors. Secondary preventive strategies are the

monitoring and screening programs of healthy individuals. In many countries, screening programs for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers are available. Tertiary preventive measures are practices serving towards the treatment and rehabilitation.

Having an idea about the cancer occurrence rate and new cases will both serve as important data sources contributing to the health system. The best method of collecting cancer-related data is to establish cancer recording systems. This will ensure the delivery of effective and beneficial health services and help all sectoral levels be aware of each other as well as the community. Distribution of certain cancer types, sociodemographic qualities of individuals who have cancer (age, gender, ethnicity, religion, occupation and so forth), differences and changes taking place over time will all help determine the risk factors and development of cancer in the long run. During the International Association of Cancer Registries (IACR) 2017

Congress which took place under the auspices of Netherlands and Belgium Cancer Registry Centers, cancer registry data based on two communities was shared through a presentation titled 'Population-based Site-Specific Cancer Incidence Rates in North Cyprus' by TRNC Cancer Registry Coordinators Prof. Dr. Nahide Gökçora, Sen. Dr. Figen Gülen İnce and project epidemiologist Assist. Prof. Dr. Mevhibe B. Hocaoğlu. The presentation of which our country is extremely proud took place through the support of the Turkish Republic Embassy and in collaboration with the TRNC Ministry of Health. Consequently, one has to state that information systems play an important role in our health system regarding the planning, allocating and transferring of resources, the prediction of possible increases or decreases in cancer rates as well as the development and application of preventive and monitoring programs.

EMU INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR CHORAL FESTIVAL

Doğu Akdeniz Üniversitesi
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3. ULUSLARARASI KOROLAR Festivali
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3rd Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus Choral Festival will be taking place between 9 and 14 July 2018 under the organisation of Eastern

Mediterranean University. Online application for the said festival has commenced at EMU's website as of 1 January 2018. Those wishing to apply

for the event may fill in an application form available at the site and apply, accordingly. Taking place once every two years, the choral festival invites

the applications of different choirs including children, youth and adults. Along with the choirs in our country, a large number of choirs are expected to participate in the event both from Turkey and Europe.

Director of the Festival and Choral Chef Erkan Dağlı stated that similar to previous organisations, the festival will take place with great interest this year. Dağlı also added that along with choral concerts taking place every night, the festival will also host workshops and training sessions. Dağlı also put forth that each night at the concert will be dedicated to a music professional either from the TRNC or Turkey. Erkan Dağlı went on to state that this year's event will host concerts in memory of Kamran Aziz, Cemaliye Kıyıcı, Saip Egüz, Muzaffer Arkan and Gülsen Çobanoğlu Hoca. Within the scope of the event, two composers, one of whom is from Turkey and the other is from the TRNC, will be presented "Eastern Mediterranean University Choral Music Service Award". Applications to the festival may be submitted online via choirsfestival.emu.edu.tr.



This Week's Academic Publications

Source: *Web of Science*

Faculty of Arts & Sciences

1 - Kimet Yusufi, Ali Ovgun. Gravitational lensing by rotating wormholes. *PHYSICAL REVIEW D*, 97(2): 024042, JAN 29 2018.

Faculty of Business & Economics

1 - Wajid H. Rizvi, Emrah Oney. The influence

of emotional confidence on brand attitude: using brand belief as mediating variable. *ECONOMIC RESEARCH-EKONOMSKA ISTRAZIVANJA*, 31(1):158-170, JAN 23 2018.

2 - Mehmet Balcilar, Zeynep Abidin Ozdemir, Muhammad Shahbaz, Serkan Gunes. Does inflation

cause gold market price changes? evidence on the G7 countries from the tests of nonparametric quantile causality in mean and variance. *APPLIED ECONOMICS*, 50(17):1891-1909, 2018.

Faculty of Architecture

1 - Sertac Ilter, Mujdem S. Vural. Cross Method and

Design Process for Dsf Elements. *OPEN HOUSE INTERNATIONAL*, 42(4): 52-59, DEC 2017.

2 - Amireza Farahbod, Ugur Dagli. A Conflict in the Identity of Traditional Iranian Houses: The Case of Qajar Dynasty. *OPEN HOUSE INTERNATIONAL*, 42(4) 52-59, DEC 2017.