

OTTOMAN SUMMER SCHOOL at ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY

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INTERMEDIATE OTTOMAN SYLLABUS

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The **Intermediate Ottoman** course on Ottoman Turkish aims to improve students' reading and comprehension skills through a variety of texts with complex and compound sentences and introduce them, on a weekly basis, to handwritten materials (both manuscript and archival) from various genres written in different scripts.

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Week 1: Printed Ottoman texts

- Newspaper Clippings
- Embellished Prose

Week 2: Examples from manuscripts

• Different examples of handwritten material (*nesih* and *talik*)

Week 3: Divani

- passages from Ottoman legal codes (*kanunname*)
- examples of entries from Imperial Registers of Important Affairs (*mühimme defterleri*)

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Week 4: Examples from 18th century documents

Week 5: 19th-century state documents and rika

- Individual archival reports and petitions from the Hamidian time
- Passages from the early-20th century memoirs

Week 6: Miscellanea

- Examples of correspondence and inscriptions
- Online sources of archival and manuscript research