

**Information Note on
Registrations
Bilkent Economics
Spring 2018**

Welcome, or welcome back!

Bilkent Economics is here to help you flourish into whoever you want to be. You will, in the end, have a degree in economics and that has requirements that have to be fulfilled. Course requirements and registration regulations are designed to allow you to do whatever you want to do, subject to the constraint that you should fulfill the core requirements of being an economist and other students should similarly be served.

We have a diverse student body and one size does not fit all. If you have a special need that our regulations do not allow or cover, please talk to your advisor and/or come by the department office. We will either get it done or your will understand why it cannot or should not be done. Please understand that exceptions are more likely for students in better standing. If you have not distinguished yourself scholastically, the department (and the university) tends to be more paternalistic, telling you what you have to do, until you are in good standing.

If you are coming by for advice you are always welcome during registration days, and during office hours at other times. If you are coming to ask for an exception, try doing what you want to do in the online system first and please bring the form produced by STARS. That form will be needed to talk about your case.

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on behalf of the

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Rules about number of courses that can be taken:

1. If you are in satisfactory standing taking a sixth course is at your discretion, you do not need to ask for permission.
2. If you have CGPA above 2.5 you may take a seventh class with your advisor's and department chair's approval. You may bring your add forms and enroll in those classes at the end of the add drop period, on Friday February 2, 2018, if the class you want to take has space for you.
3. The Turkish classes Turk101 and Turk102 are exceptions to the seventh class rule. Students in satisfactory standing may take those as seventh classes.
4. Only students who will graduate this semester may take eight classes and that requires the advisor's, department chair's and dean's approval. If you are to graduate after summer school, you may not take an eighth class.
5. GE250 and GE251 do not count towards the course load. Neither do summer practice courses.
6. Students in satisfactory standing and would like to repeat a class to improve their grades (in general a bad idea) may register to repeat courses for which their grade is below B on the last day of adding a class, February 2, 2018. This can only be done only in the following two semesters of taking the course
7. Course loads for students who are under probation or are unsatisfactory.

Students under probation ($1.79 << \text{CGPA} << 2.00$) should repeat the courses for which they received F, FX, FZ, U, W and may register for a limited number of "new" courses depending on their registration semester. All courses that were not previously taken by a student in previous semesters are new courses. Number of new courses that can be taken are:

Nominal Credit Load	2nd Semester	After 2nd Semester
16	4 courses + 1 new elective	3 courses + 1 new elective

If the number of all repeat and new courses falls below 6, students under probation should re-take some of the courses from which they had previously received a passing letter grade below C. They are allowed to take new non-credit courses.

Unsatisfactory students (CGPA<<1.80) should repeat the courses for which they received F, FX, FZ, U, W and may register for a limited number of "new" courses depending on their registration semester. All courses that were not previously taken by a student in previous semesters are new courses. Number of new courses that can be taken are:

Nominal Credit Load	2 nd Semester	After 2 nd Semester
16	3 courses+ 1 new elective	1 new elective

If the number of all repeat and new courses falls below 6, unsatisfactory students should re-take some of the courses from which they had previously received a passing letter grade below C. They are allowed to take new non-credit courses.

Have a great semester!