



# FACULTY OF SCIENCE

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## Who Are We?



The Faculty of Science was initially established in 1975 with Law No. 1873 under the name Faculty of Science and Engineering Sciences, and its name was changed to the Faculty of Arts and Sciences in 1982. It continued its educational, instructional, and research activities under this name until 2022 when it was restructured as the Faculty of Science by Presidential Decree No. 5868 dated 26/07/2022.

Our faculty is centrally located in our main Kurupelit Campus, and students can easily reach many faculties, student dining halls, the library, social activity areas, and the life centre. All departments within our faculty have distinguished academic staff, experience, and knowledge to provide all the competencies our students will need in the future.

Within the framework of the strategic plan, quality culture has been established and made traceable in the faculty. As a result of the activities carried out for this purpose, all departments within our faculty (Biology, Physics, Statistics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Molecular Biology, and Genetics) were accredited by FEDEK (The Association for Evaluation and Accreditation of University Programs in Mathematical, Natural and Social Sciences).

As of 2023, 59 professors, 15 associate professors, 17 doctoral lecturers, 4 lecturers, and 26 research assistants offer their experience and knowledge to the service of 1304 students to train future scientists. In addition, a total of 26 administrative staff contribute to the Faculty. The Faculty houses lecture halls, classrooms, workshops, production facilities (Campus Chemistry), education and research laboratories, and offices in an indoor area of over 36,000 m<sup>2</sup>.

## Why OMU - Faculty of Science?

Our faculty aims to train our students as successful individuals who are equipped with the knowledge required by today's world. Through a wide range of elective courses in different subjects and the courses offered with our strong academic infrastructure, we aim to provide our students with scientific knowledge, research skills, analytical abilities, entrepreneurial mindset, and scientific thinking.

With our focus on education, training, science, technology, and art activities, our vision is to become a pioneering faculty in national and international higher education. We strive to train individuals who are recognized, continuously developing, and actively engaged in research, capable of responding to the needs of society. We aim to foster individuals who can generate inventions and patents that contribute to the world of science, deeply love their country and nation, and approach their work with passion.

## What are Our Mission and Vision?

## What Are Our Programs and What Job Opportunities Do They Offer?

The Faculty of Science trains individuals in various fields of science through its Departments of Biology, Physics, Statistics, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Molecular Biology and Genetics. Our programs are four years long, and we also offer optional foreign language preparatory education. Our faculty prioritizes research and development, constantly renewing itself to ensure that our students graduate as qualified individuals. The Faculty of Science provides ample opportunities for students to become well-equipped in both theoretical knowledge and practical skills, with access to four computer laboratories, six student laboratories, and 86 scientific research laboratories.

Our departments have agreements with departments in different faculties, allowing our students to pursue a double major or minor education if they meet the necessary conditions. In addition, our final-year students can participate in the Professional Practice Programme (MUP), gaining practical experience in public institutions, organizations, and the private sector, provided they fulfill the requirements.

To facilitate this, agreements have been signed between our departments and relevant institutions. This innovative program, a first among the Faculties of Science in our country, provides successful students from all faculty departments with the opportunity to gain professional experience in their fields of study. This valuable practical experience will better prepare them to enter the workforce.

One of the main objectives of our faculty is to address the demand for scientists in the field of basic sciences in our country. In this context, our graduates pursue further studies at the master's and doctoral levels in various universities in Türkiye or abroad, and many become academic staff. Additionally, our graduates have excellent job opportunities in multiple sectors, including biotechnology companies, industrial companies, public or private industry education/training institutions, banks, occupational safety organizations, vaccine production and drug development companies, cosmetics, leather, glass, plastic, and other industrial establishments, Turkish Atomic Energy Authority, Turkish Statistical Institute, defense industry-related organizations, Turkish Standards Institute, food control laboratories, companies specializing in preparing EIA reports, health institutions and organizations, and numerous laboratories.

## What Exchange Programmes Do We Offer?

Our faculty has student exchange agreements within the framework of the Farabi, Mevlana, and Erasmus Programs. Our students actively benefit from these exchange programs and broaden their perspectives in their fields of expertise through the experiences they gain.

## How Do We Support the Professional, Cultural, and Social Atmosphere?

The Faculty of Science, which offers a wide range of opportunities for academic development, also provides suitable environments for students to grow in social, cultural, and sporting fields. Sporting activities such as inter-departmental chess and dart tournaments are organized in winter, and inter-departmental football and volleyball tournaments are held in spring. In addition, student societies established within the university play a crucial role in supporting the professional, cultural, and social atmosphere. Our students organize meetings, under the coordination of our societies, with our alums who have work experience. Our students have carried out numerous activities and events under the umbrella of these societies so far.



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