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**GUIDE FOR THE SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND
PLACEMENT EXAM OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FOR
INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE JOINT PROGRAMS
(UOLP) IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE AND DENTAL
MEDICINE**

2026-2027 Academic Year Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam Calendar of International Students for International Undergraduate Joint Programs between University of Health Sciences and International University of Sarajevo in the Field of Medicine and Dental Medicine	
Start of registration for the first Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam on 2026	4th February 2026
Last Application Date	23rd March 2026
Student Scholarship /Selection Exam Date	28th March 2026
Announcement of Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam Results and Announcement of Candidates to sit for the Interview Exam	9th April 2026
Interview Exam Dates	13 and 14 April 2026
Announcement Date of Interview Exam Results	15th April 2026
Announcement Dates of Candidates Eligible for Final Registration	17^h April 2026
Final Registration Date for VISA COUNTRIES	1st June 2026
Final Registration Date for NON-VISA COUNTRIES	15th September 2026
Turkish Placement and Proficiency Exam	September 2026 (will be announced)
English Placement Exam (International Students)	September 2026 (will be announced)
English Proficiency Exam (International Students)	September 2026(will be announced)

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I- GENERAL INFORMATION, BASIC PRINCIPLES, AND RULES

1. The duration of the Medicine and Dental Medicine program is 6 (six) academic years excluding preparatory class. The maximum allowable period for a student to complete the 6(six)-year Medicine or Dental Medicine program is 9 (nine) academic years.
2. Within the scope of this program, in order to qualify for a Bachelor's Degree in Medicine or Dental Medicine from both University of Health Sciences (SBÜ) in İstanbul, Türkiye and International University of Sarajevo (IUS) in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina simultaneously, students are required to complete the 3 (three) year classes (1st,2nd, 3rd year) at IUS, and, provided that they meet the Turkish language proficiency requirement (B2 level course), complete last 3 (three) year classes (4th,5th,6th year) the fourth, fifth, and sixth classes at the relevant academic units of SBÜ, thereby becoming eligible for a dual diploma.
3. Applicants who apply with the International Student Admission Exam (TR-YÖS) score shall be exempt from the Written Selection/Scholarship and Placement Examination at IUS.
4. For the medicine program, 10 (ten) international students and 10 (ten) students from Balkan region (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, and Slovenia)
5. For the dental medicine program, 10 (ten) international students and 10 (ten) students from Balkan region (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, and Slovenia)
6. However, based on the applications received, the quota for international students might be higher, with the approval of both universities, provided that the total number of students in the first year does not exceed 50 (fifty) for medicine and dental medicine programs, separately.
7. The number of candidates entitled to enroll from the same country cannot exceed 20% of the total quota of the relevant program.
8. Candidates who are accepted as a result of the exam and interview will be eligible for placement in the quotas.
9. For the 2026-2027 Academic Year, if the candidate does not have TR-YÖS, written exam and oral interviews will be conducted to admit students for Medicine or Dental Medicine program at IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at SBÜ, İstanbul, Türkiye. The application deadline for the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam will be March 23, 2026.
10. For the 2026-2027 Academic year, if the candidate does not have TR-YÖS, the Student Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam will be conducted face- to-face on 28 March 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at 12:00, SBÜ, İstanbul, Türkiye. The interview exams following the Selection/Scholarship and Placement

Exam will take place face-to-face at IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at SBÜ, İstanbul, Türkiye between April 13 and April 14, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

11. Candidates taking the exam must have their passports or identity documents with them along with the exam admission document on the exam days.
12. Candidates who apply for the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam but do not take the written exam will NOT BE admitted to the interview exam.
13. The languages of instruction for the programs at Faculty of Medical Sciences are English and Turkish. During the first, second, and third classes at IUS, courses will be conducted in English. If deemed necessary, up to 30% (thirty percent) of the courses that students will take at IUS may be offered in Turkish. During the fourth, fifth, and sixth classes at SBÜ, the language of instruction will be 100% (one hundred percent) Turkish.
14. International students who do not possess Turkish language proficiency at the B2 level may attend the Turkish Language School program, as following:
 - a) They must complete the B1 level of Turkish by the end of the first class.
 - b) Students who fail to complete the B1 level will not be allowed to enroll in Turkish-taught courses (if present) during the second and third classes at IUS.
 - c) All students must certify that they have attained B2 level proficiency in Turkish in order to continue their education at SBÜ after completing the first three classes at IUS.
15. Students who have completed the first three academic years at IUS but do not hold a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate may continue their education at SBÜ on the condition that they obtain the required certificate within the maximum allowed period, or they may transfer to other faculty programs at IUS.
16. In the following cases, prospective students shall be exempt from the requirement to present a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate:
 - a) Native Turkish speakers.
 - b) Those who have completed their high school, undergraduate, or graduate education in Turkish.

II- CANDIDATE APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR VISA AND NON-VISA STUDENTS

1. Candidates who have obtained a TR-YÖS score of 360 or above are eligible to apply for the UOLP program in the field of Medicine, while those with a score of 315 or above may apply for the UOLP program in the field of Dentistry.

Application of candidates who are in their final year of secondary education or graduates will be accepted if their status is compatible with the conditions below:

- a) Foreign students who are eligible to sit for TR-YÖS exam.
 - b) Those who are Turkish citizens by birth and have received permission from the Ministry of Interior to renounce Turkish citizenship, and those who can prove that their underage children, who are registered on the document of renunciation of Turkish citizenship, have a Document on the Use of Rights Granted under the Turkish Citizenship Law. (Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901 states that “(1) A child born to a Turkish citizen mother or father in marriage, whether inside or outside Türkiye, is a Turkish Citizen.” It is useful for candidates who will apply for the quotas from abroad to review the Turkish Citizenship Law),
 - c) Those who were foreign nationals and later acquired Turkish citizenship / in this case those with dual citizenship,
 - d) Candidates who started their secondary education abroad, those who completed their entire secondary education (high school) in a foreign country other than TRNC (including those who completed their entire secondary education (high school) in Turkish schools opened by the Ministry of National Education in a foreign country other than TRNC).
2. According to article 1 and items (b) and (d) of the above article, the quotas for candidates applying under these provisions may not exceed 10% of the international student quota, in accordance with the relevant article of the Higher Education Council in Türkiye, in the fields mentioned in Medicine and Dental Medicine Programs.
 3. The application for the written and interview exams of international students to be admitted to the International Undergraduate Joint Programs in the Field of Medicine and Dental Medicine for the 2026-2027 Academic Year will be accepted at web site, <https://apply.ius.edu.ba/> during dates as specified in the guide for the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam of international students.
 4. Candidates who do not upload all the required documents during the application process will not be considered for pre-evaluation.
 5. When applicants are found to have applied improperly, their registration will be canceled, even if these applicants meet the application requirements.

6. The responsibility for any consequences arising from inaccuracies in the information provided in the online application form lies solely with the candidates. In the identity-related information fields of the online application form, the candidate's passport identity details should be entered without alteration or abbreviation in the Latin alphabet.
7. The requested email and telephone contact information on the online application form must belong to the candidates themselves, and each candidate should use only one email address. This email address should not be used for correspondence or transactions on behalf of other candidates.
8. Applicants who apply with a TR-YÖS score are required to submit their official TR-YÖS Result Document.
9. Candidates who will apply with TR-YÖS and a Blue Card must also submit their Blue Card during the application process. (Blue card required, if exempt from Turkish citizenship)
10. If the original high school diploma and transcripts of grades are not issued in Bosnian or English, submitting the translation of the mentioned documents into these languages by Sworn Translation Offices is mandatory.
11. Candidates who do not have a high school diploma and apply with the International Baccalaureate (IB) Result Certificate obtained at the end of high school graduation exams do not need translation.
12. A photograph of the candidate must be added to the relevant field on the online application form. This photograph should be taken from the front to ensure easy recognition of the candidate and should be taken within the last six months. There should be no significant changes in the candidate's appearance that could affect their recognition in the photograph on the day of the exam. If the Exam and Interview Commission Chairperson find it difficult to identify the candidate from the photograph, the candidate will not be admitted to the written and interview exams.

III- PAYMENT OF TUITION FEE

1. Citizens of Balkan countries (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia) are subject to the same tuition fees as citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This policy aims to foster regional cooperation and facilitate access to higher education for students from neighboring countries.
2. The tuition fees paid by candidates who have earned the right to enroll in the relevant program based on the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam results and complete their registration but do not continue their education will not be refunded.

3. The students are required to pay, in addition to the designated tuition fee for their studies in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the fees for the Turkish Language School, may they be enrolled. During the years in which students are actively enrolled at IUS, all fees expected to be paid by the students shall be announced and collected by IUS.
4. The students are required to pay the tuition fees, as determined, for the respective academic years during their studies in Türkiye. While actively enrolled at SBÜ, all applicable fees will be announced and collected by SBÜ.
5. Students are fully responsible for covering their living expenses while studying outside their home country, including:
 - a) Transportation,
 - b) Food and accommodation,
 - c) Health insurance (all students enrolling must obtain health insurance before starting their studies) and medical service fees,
 - d) Textbooks,
 - e) Clothing,
 - f) Miscellaneous personal expenses,
 - g) Passport, visa, residence permit, and related fees.
6. IUS and SBÜ are not obligated to provide financial support (excluding scholarships) to students under any circumstances.
7. The annual tuition fee must be paid in accordance with the procedures and regulations of each institution. Tuition fees are paid in two equal installments. The first installment is due at the beginning of the academic year or during the re-enrollment period. The second installment is due at the beginning of the second semester.
8. Students' financial obligations to each institution are independent of each other. Neither institution is liable to the other for any unpaid fees by students.
9. Scholarships awarded to students at IUS (first three years except English Language School) will continue during the 4th and 5th years at SBÜ, provided that they meet the required academic performance criteria. During the 6th year (internship year), the full tuition fee of the program must be paid.
10. Annual tuition fee for the Medicine Program: 13750 EUR for International Students.
11. Annual tuition fee for the Dental Medicine Program: 11000 EUR for International Students.
12. Students enrolled in the Turkish language school will be charged 250 EUR per module (4 modules 1000 EUR in total).

IV- STUDENT SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND PLACEMENT EXAM

1. Exam applications of the candidates are examined by the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam Commission. After the examination of the documents, the Commission determines whether the information and documents are complete. Candidates whose “written exam applications” are accepted at the end of the examination, are required to have their passport and/or ID cards with them on the exam day.
2. Student Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam will be held on 28 March 2026 at 11:00 a.m. IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at SBÜ, İstanbul, Türkiye on 28 March 2026 at 12:00.
3. Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam consist of 70 questions in total and will last for 75 minutes. The examination will consist of a mixture of questions related to Biology/Chemistry (30 questions), Mathematics (10 questions,) Physics (10 questions), Logic (10 questions) and English (10 questions).
4. There are five (5) multiple-choice answers in the exam questions, and only one of them is the right answer. Candidates must mark the correct option for each question on the optical form (answer paper) that will be given to them during the exam.
5. The evaluation of candidates’ applications and the implementation of the threshold score fall under the authority of the interview (oral exam) committee, which also reserves the right to decide whether or not to fill the available quotas. Meeting the application requirements does not guarantee admission.
6. In order to minimize the mistakes that can be made in the optical form (answer paper), the examiners will inform the candidates about how to mark the answers on the optical form before the exam starts.

V- STUDENT SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND PLACEMENT INTERVIEW EXAM

1. The Student Selection/Scholarship and Placement Interview Exam is an exam to be administered by the Interview Commission after the written exam. The list of candidates who will be called for the interview will be announced on the website of our university at www.ius.edu.ba. Candidates are required to have their passport and/or ID with them when they come to the interview.
2. Interview Exam will be held at IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at

SBÜ, İstanbul, Türkiye, between 13 April and 14 April 2026 at 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. in determined time spots for each candidate, separately.

3. International candidates with successful TR-YOS exam will have an online Interview Exam. The exact date and time will be announced later.

VI- EVALUATION OF SCORES FOR STUDENT SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND PLACEMENT

1. In line with the criteria accepted by our university, the score on the high school diploma or for those students who do not have a high school diploma, the score on the Baccalaureate (IB) Result Certificate (scientific - numerical, literature - verbal) obtained at the end of the high school graduation exams, and the scores obtained both at the Selection and Placement Exam and the Interview Exam will be considered to evaluate the success of candidates. The success score of the candidate is calculated by taking 60% of the result of the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam; 40% of the interview exam result. The FINAL list of accepted and enrolled students into the relevant Faculty of medicine program will be based on the total final score obtained from Selection/Scholarship and placement exam written, interview and the minimum CGPA requirement of 3.5/5. In case of equality, the younger applicant (based on date of birth) shall be given priority.
2. For applicants who apply with a TR-YÖS exam result document, the final success score is calculated as follows: 60% of the applicant's TR-YÖS score (converted to a 100-point scale), and 40% of the interview score (that will be announced and scheduled after the written TR-YÖS scores are published). The FINAL list of accepted and enrolled students into the relevant Faculty of medicine program will be based on the total final score obtained from Selection/Scholarship and placement exam written, interview and the minimum CGPA requirement of 3.5/5. In case of equality, the younger applicant (based on date of birth) shall be given priority.
3. The interview exam results of the candidates will be announced on the official website and notice board of IUS.
4. Final registration will be made to the IUS according to the success score ranking in the announced list.

VII- DOCUMENTS REQUESTED FROM CANDIDATES FOR REGISTRATION

1. The online application form along with the documents below:
 - Copy of passport (valid for at least two years)
 - TR-YÖS Result Document (Required only for candidates applying with TR-YÖS)
 - Blue Card (Required only for candidates applying with both TR-YÖS and a Blue Card)
 - Certificate of English language proficiency – TOEFL (minimum 72)*

*Applicants from non-visa regime countries are allowed to sit for the Student Selection and Placement Exam and interview OR applicants who take the TR-YÖS and interview without submitting a TOEFL certificate. Those who pass the exam, fulfill the criteria, and decide to enroll will be required to submit TOEFL certificate later the exam or take the IUS ELS Proficiency Exam upon arrival. If a prospective student lacks the necessary level of English proficiency to successfully pass the selection and placement examination, including the interview process, the responsibility for this outcome shall rest solely with the student.

- Photo
 - Motivation letter
 - If accepted for enrolment - High school diploma and Last year transcript of grades.
 - If the application is accepted, the candidate will be informed of the next steps.
2. Applications of those who present false, forged, incomplete or false documents in the application, placement and registration process are rejected. If the candidates are registered, regardless of the period of education, their registration will be cancelled. Necessary legal proceedings are initiated against those whose actions and transactions constitute a crime.
 3. Candidates who do not register in the system by the application deadline of **March 23, 2026**, will not be allowed to take the exam in the first term.

VIII- REQUIREMENTS REGARDING TURKISH AND ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

1. The students can continue their education at SBÜ in İstanbul, Türkiye, if only they are at least B2 level according to the result of the Turkish Proficiency Exam conducted by the IUS or the Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate obtained from the Turkish and Foreign Language Application and Research Centers (TÖMER) and Yunus Emre Institutes.
2. Students who do not have at least B2 level Turkish Proficiency Certificate are directed to

additional Turkish language classes.

3. In the following cases, prospective students shall be exempt from the requirement to present a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate:
 - Native Turkish speakers.
 - Those who have completed their high school, undergraduate, or graduate education in Turkish.
4. Based on the results of the English Proficiency and Placement/Scholarship Exams, students who are required to attend the English Language School of the International University of Sarajevo can find information regarding tuition fees and other details on the website: <https://els.ius.edu.ba/en>.

IX- THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR EVALUATION OF SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND PLACEMENT EXAM SCORES FOR THE JOINT PROGRAMS IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE AND DENTAL MEDICINE

1. SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP/PLACEMENT & TR-YOS AND INTERVIEW EVALUATION CRITERIA

Exam Name	Impact Rate	Exam Name	Impact Rate	Total Score
Student Selection/Scholarship and Placement Written Exam. TR-YÖS min. 360 for Medicine and 315 for Dental Medicine (See Article 2, item 2)	60%	Interview	40%	100%

2. FINAL SELECTION AND ADMISSION ENROLMENT CRITERIA SCORES AND REQUIREMENTS

Evaluation	Impact Rate
Student Selection and Placement Written Exam.	60%
Interview	40%
TOTAL	100%
TR-YÖS exam	Min. 360 for Medicine and 315 for Dental Medicine (See Article II)
High School Diploma or the Baccalaureate (IB) Result Certificate (scientific-numerical, literary-verbal)	Required 3.5/5 CGPA (the final grade transcript)