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# ERASMUS GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

AKSARAY UNIVERSITY

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We are pleased to welcome you to Aksaray University and hope that you will enjoy your stay and studies here.

Arriving in a new country to live and study is always a big challenge. The purpose of this guide is to help students wishing to study at Aksaray University with various administrative and educational formalities awaiting them before and after their arrival. On the following pages, you will find a general description of our university and its campuses, some practical advice for before leaving your own country, information concerning your arrival in Aksaray, accommodation, libraries and other university services.

We hope that this information will be helpful to you. We would like you to know that we are always at your service to help you and make your participation in our intense academic life easier.



## Türkiye in Brief

Official Name: Turkish Republic

National Flag: Red background with a white star

Language: Turkish

Capital: Ankara

Population: 85 Millions

Border Countries: It's neighbour to the northwest is Bulgaria; Greece to the west; Armenia, Azerbaijan and Iran to the east; Georgia to the northeast; Syria to the south; and Iraq to the southeast.

Currency: Turkish Lira

Climate: There is a noticeable variety of climates. The interior has a continental climate, with cold, snowy winters and hot, dry summers, though nights remain usually cool.

Local Time: GMT +3

Calling Code to Turkiye: +90

Emergency Telephone Number: 112, European emergency number, to be used in the event of: fire, traffic accident, burglary, theft, violence, etc.



#### **City of Aksaray**

Aksaray Province, which is the place where St. Gregorius and St. Mamas once lived, has a great importance in terms of faith tourism. Built in 385 A.C. on behalf of the founder of the Orthodox Sect, St. Gregorius, the church is still standing, and the wooden ornaments sent by Russian Tsar Nikola II are still preserved. The church is currently open for worship as a Mosque. Hundreds of rock-carved monasteries and churches remained from that period in both the Manastır Valley and Ihlara Valley, are among our most important tourism centers visited by hundreds of thousands of foreign tourists.

In Aksaray, there are many historical structures from Seljuk and Karamanogullari, i.e. Han and Caravansaries on the Silk Road, Zinciriye Madrasa, Ulucami (Karamanoglu Mosque) built by the Anatolian Seljuk Principalities in 1408, Egri Minaret (K1z1l Minaret 1221-1236) from Seljuk period, Taptuk Emre Tomb , Somuncu Baba Tomb, Nakkaşlı Mosque (16th century), Zincirli Madrasa (mid 15th century), İbrahim Bey Madrasa (mid 15th century), Sultanhanı Caravansary (13th century) are among the important historical structures. Zinciriye Madrasa is one of the biggest schools of its time that train mudarris (professor). Somuncu Baba, Hacı Bayram-ı Veli and Cemaleddin-i Aksarayi taught here.





Due to its geological structure, this region is in a position that values in terms of both religious, natural beauties and thermal tourism with its pristine natural beauties, many rock-carved settlements and underground cities and hot springs.

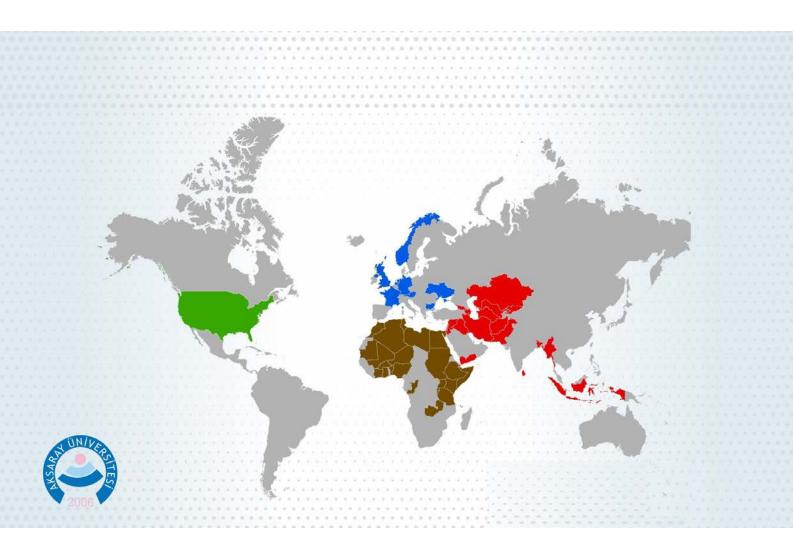


#### **Aksaray University**



**Mission**: Our main mission is to train qualified manpower who can use information and technology, who can contribute to the economic, social and cultural development of the region and the country with competitive, entrepreneurial and innovative breakthroughs by focusing on the needs of all stakeholders.

**Vision**: Our vision is becoming a partner university in the development of science and technology by producing universally useful knowledge and innovation on the basis of university - industry - society cooperation. **Logo**: The shape of the logo symbolizes HasanDağı, a volcanic mountain, and it shows the letter A of Aksaray province. The circle in the logo symbolizes the sun of science. This circle takes its color from the pink color produced by salt bacteria in Salt Lake. The first bow is turquoise, the second bow is dark blue. It points to the letter U of the university.



Our university, which has grown rapidly in line of the goals with the slogan of "Thinking Universally, Acting Locally", has reached the point since 2006; With 12 Faculties, 3 Institutes, 1 Training and Research Hospital, 1 Vocational Langauge School, 6 Vocational Schools and 17 Research Centers. It continues its education with 23005 students at associate, undergraduate and graduate level. Education, research and scientific activities are carried out by our experienced, dynamic and competent 798 academic staff and 317 administrative staff working full-time at our university, which attracts attention with its achievements both in the international and national community. Thus, Aksaray University became a large institution with a population of 24,000.

**History**: Aksaray University is a young university founded in 2006, but it has a long history. Its history dates back to 1986. Today's Technical Sciences Vocational School started education in 1986-1987 academic year under the name of Technical Programs Department as a Vocational School dependent to Selçuk University. With the establishment of Niğde University in 1992, all existing units were connected to Niğde University. Our university was established in Aksaray with the Law No. 5467, March 17, 2006, and the existing faculties and vocational schools with Niğde University were connected to Aksaray University Rectorate. We have <u>1713</u> international students from <u>57</u> countries.

Introduction film: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fSnog2TzzPI

#### **Erasmus Office**



Erasmus office of Aksaray University is in the building of Sports Science Faculty. It is open every weekday between 09.00 - 17.00 hours.

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Accommodation: Aksaray University has a variety of University Student Housing options to offer students. Some of residence halls are private and some of them are belong to state. Thus, incoming people can easily choose where he/she wants to stay. We should underline that dormitories in Aksaray is not mixed.

- 1- Residence Halls (Credit and Dormitories Agency): The first option is the most common among our students because it is supported by General Directorate of Credit and Dormitories Agency. Breakfast and dinner is available, but there is a fee.
  - Dormitories for girls:
    - Mahperi Hatun Residence Hall: <u>https://www.kykyurtlar.com/mahperi-hatun-ogrenci-yurdu-55019-kyk-yurdu/</u>
    - Gulsah Hatun Residence Hall: <u>https://www.kykyurtlar.com/gulsah-hatun-ogrenci-yurdu-55018-kyk-yurdu/</u>
    - Halime Hatun Residence Hall: <u>https://www.kykyurtlar.com/alime-hatun-ogrenci-yurdu-55016-kyk-yurdu/</u>
    - Aksaray Cemaleddin Aksarayi: https://www.kykyurtlar.com/aksaray-cemaleddin-aksaray-iogrenci-yurdu-55022-kyk-yurdu/
    - Aksaray KYK: <u>https://www.kykyurtlar.com/aksaray-kiz-yurdu-55021-kyk-yurdu/</u>
  - Dormitories for boys:
    - Hamidi Veli KYK: <u>https://www.kykyurtlar.com/hamid-i-veli-ogrenci-yurdu-55017-kyk-yurdu/</u>
      - Aksaray KYK: https://www.kykyurtlar.com/aksaray-erkek-yurdu-55020-kyk-yurdu/
- 2- Private Dorms: Another option is private dorms in Aksaray. Here, price can be different from normal Residence Halls because these dorms usually provide free breakfast and dinner. Here, you can find the list of private dorms;
  - Dormitories for girls: <u>https://www.yurtlarfiyatlar.com/aksaray-ozel-yurtlar/</u>
  - Dormitories for boys: <u>https://www.yurtlarfiyatlar.com/aksaray-da-ozel-erkek-ogrenci-yurtlari-yurdu/</u>
- 3- The last option is renting a room or apartment in city centre. In this option, incoming person should be in touch with us for better information.

#### Study at Aksaray University

Aksaray University has 12 faculties and 3 institutes, and offers several programmes to incoming students.

#### Faculties:

- 1- Aksaray University School Of Medicine
- 2- Faculty of Architecture and Design
  - Graphic Design Department
  - Department of Architecture
- 3- Faculty of Communication
  - Radio and Cinema Department
  - Department of Public Relations and Advertising
  - Department of Journalism
- 4- Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
  - Department of Economics
  - Department of Business
  - Department of Public Finance
  - Department of Political Science and Public Administration
  - Department of International Relations
  - Department of Management Information Systems
- 5- Faculty of Education
  - Department of Computer and Instructional Technology Education
  - Department of Educational Sciences
  - Department of Fine Arts Education
  - Department of Mathematics and Science Education
  - Department of Special Education
  - Department of Primary Education
  - Department of Turkish and Social Studies
  - Department of Foreign Languages Education

#### 6- Faculty of Health Sciences

- Department of Emergency Aid and Disaster Management
- Department of Nutrition and Dietetics
- Department of Child Development
- Department of Nursing
- Department of Health Management
- Department of Social Work

#### 7- Faculty of Islamic Education

- Philosophy and Religious Sciences Department
- Department of Primary Education Religious Culture and Moral Information Education
- Department of Islamic History and Arts
- Department of Basic Islamic Sciences

8- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine

#### 9- Faculty of Science and Letters

- Archelogy Department
- Faculty of Science and Letters Western Languages And Literature
- Biology
- Department of Philosophy
- Physics Department
- Chemistry Department
- Department of Mathematics
- Molecular Biology and Genetics
- Sociology Department
- History Department
- Department of Turkish Language and Literature

#### **10- Sports Science Faculty**

- Department of Coaching Training
- Department of Physical Education and Sport Education
- Department of Sports Management

#### 11- The Faculty Of Engineering

- Department of Environmental Engineering
- Electrical-Electronic Engineering Department
- / Industrial Engineering Department
- Food Engineering Department
- Department of Geomatics Engineering
- Department of Hydrogenology Engineering
- Civil Engineering Department
- Department of Geological Engineering
- Mining Engineering Department
- Mechanical Engineering Department
- Software Engineering Department

#### 12- Tourism Faculty

- Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts
- Recreation Management
- Tourism Management
- Tourism Guidance

#### Institutes:

- 1- Graduate School of Health Sciences
- 2- Graduate School Of Natural and Applied Sciences
- 3- Graduate School of Social Sciences

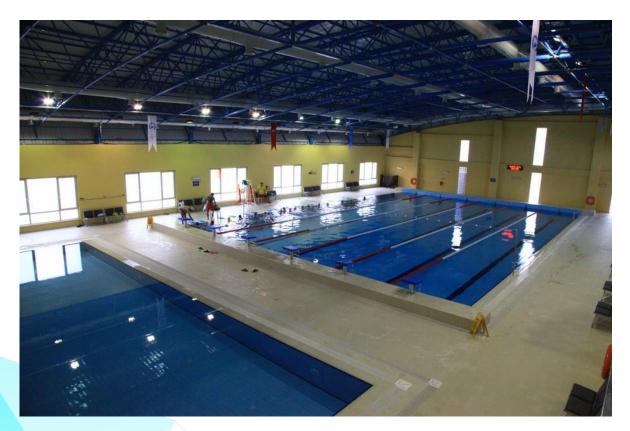
#### **Campus and City Life:**

1- Cafeteria: There is a big cafeteria in the campus for 3000 person. The food list changes monthly and there are 4 different food daily. Moreover, the price is quite cheap for students (6.5 TLs). You can check food-list from the link: <u>https://sks.aksaray.edu.tr/yemek-listesi /</u> <u>https://sks.aksaray.edu.tr/yemek-listesi?l=en</u>



2- *Half Olympic Indoor Swimming Pool*: Our Semi-Olympic Indoor Swimming Pool is open between 09:00 - 18:00 every day of the week except Sundays and Mondays.





3- Student Clubs: At our university, there are 91 student clubs according to interest of students. These clubs organize concerts, trips, activities and etc. You can find the list of clubs: <u>https://sks.aksaray.edu.tr/ogrenci-topluluklari?l=en</u> <u>https://sks.aksaray.edu.tr/ogrenci-topluluklari?l=tr</u> 4- ASUBIS: This is the common name of the bicycle services of Aksaray University. Our university offers this services every person at the campus. The first one hour is free, then you are going to be charged 1 TL for every one hour. There are 8 different points to get bicycle and there are 148 bicycles at the campus.







### Important Dates:

You can check the important days of **2025** year from the following link: <u>https://publicholidays.me/turkey/2025-dates/</u>

1 Jan	Wed	<u>New Year's Day</u>
30 Mar 1 Apr	Sun to Tue	Ramadan Feast
23 Apr	Wed	Children's Day
1 May	Thu	Labour Day
19 May	Mon	Youth and Sports Day
06 Jun to 09 Jun	Fri to Sat	Eid Al-Adha
15 Jul	Tue	Democracy and National Solidarity Day
30 Aug	Sat	Victory Day
29 Oct	Wed	Republic Day

## **Basic Turkish Phrases** Merhaba- Hello: Lütfen – Please Görüşürüz – See you later Özür Dilerim – I am sorry Nasılsınız? – How are you? (Formal) / Nasılsın – How are you? (Informal) İyiyim / Kötüyüm – I am fine / I am bad Yardım Edin! - Help Me! Evet / Hayır – Yes / No Adınız Nedir ?- What is your name? (Formal) / Adın Nedir? – What is your name? (Informal) Benim Adım ... - My name is ... Nerelisiniz? - Where are you from? (Formal) / Nerelisin? - Where are you from? (Informal) Türkçe'yi az biliyorum – I know a little Turkish. Türkçe'de .... nasıl denir? – How do you say .... in Turkish? Kaç para? – How much is it? Tebrikler – Congratulations Seni Seviyorum – I love you

Acıktım / Susadım – I am hungry / thirsty.