

TURKISH AT NORTHWESTERN

DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ Turkish is one of the globe's 15 most widely spoken first languages. About **80 MILLION** people speak Turkish as their first language.
- ✓ The history of the Turkish language goes back nearly 1300 years and its roots can be traced back to modern day Mongolia.
- ✓ Turkish is the **ONLY** Middle Eastern language that uses **the Latin script**.
- ✓ Turkish is not related to the other major languages of Europe or the Middle East. Instead it's distantly related to **Finnish** and **Hungarian**.
- ✓ Turkish is a very **regular and predictable** language. It has no grammatical gender, articles or irregular verbs. (Hooray!!!)
- ✓ The longest word in Turkish is *Amerikalılaştıramadıklarımızdan mısınız?* Want to know what it means? Sign up for **TURKISH 111** this Fall.

WHY LEARN TURKISH

- ✓ Turkish is considered a “**critical foreign language**” by the U.S. Department of State. Turkish speakers are in high demand for work in both government and non-profit sector.
- ✓ Proficiency in Turkish offers exciting **career opportunities** in:
 - Global finance and business
 - Government service
 - Journalism and communication
 - Engineering
 - International development
 - International studies
 - Political science
 - Comparative Literary Studies
 - Linguistics
 - History/anthropology
 - Classics/archaeology
 - Religious studies

TURKISH ON CAMPUS

- ✓ At Northwestern we offer two levels of Turkish every year:
 - Elementary Turkish (111)**
 - Intermediate Turkish (121)**with the possibility to continue to Advanced Turkish if there is sufficient demand.
- ✓ Join us at our bi-weekly Turkish Table to practice your Turkish, eat delicious snacks and drink Turkish tea.
- ✓ Expand your knowledge on Turkish politics, culture, and history through events organized by MENA and the Keyman Modern Turkish Studies Program year round.

AND BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

- ✓ Continue your Turkish studies in Turkey, Azerbaijan and Cyprus with summer study-abroad opportunities.
- ✓ Our students regularly win national and university scholarships to improve their language skills and do research in Turkey.