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The latest news, views and announcements

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According to the new guidelines, all students currently residing and are planning to stay at the dormitories are **required to have booster vaccine doses** prior to returning to campus for the Spring Semester.

> You are required to have your booster vaccine dose (a third dose) by **February 7, 2022,** and upload your updated vaccine card to the system prior to this date.

If you were diagnosed positive for COVID-19 in the last 3 months, you do not need to get the booster shot. However, you are required to submit the relevant positive PCR test result, that shows that you have had COVID-19, prior to February 7, 2022.

For detailed information, you may read the complete announcement here.

To get your booster shot, you may refer to the information on our website.

For further questions :

covid@ku.edu.tr

Source - Office of the President

Residence Permit Document Submission

This month, ICO will be organizing a **Help Desk** for residence permit applications on **Monday, 14 February, and Tuesday, 15 February, from 9 AM to 5 PM**.

The Help Desk will be located at the **Student Center, -3 Floor, Room B336.**
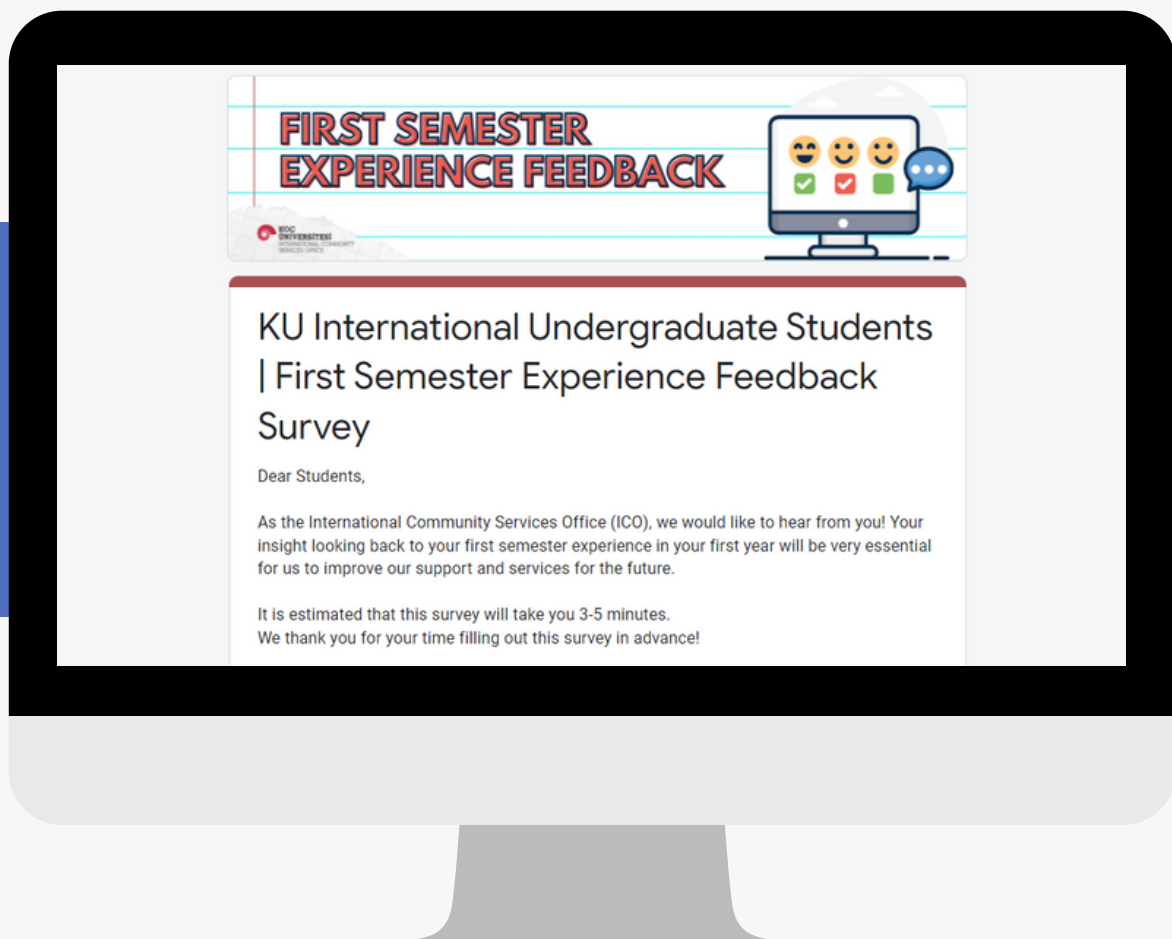
Important notes:

- **Spring semester exchange students should <u>only</u> follow the information given at the orientation and via email.**
- Before the submission date, you should fill out the **Document Submission Form** and you should show the screenshot of the filled form while submitting your documents to the Help Desk.
- You can renew your SRP if there is 60 days or less time to the expiration of your SRP.
- **Late submissions will not be accepted**. Please mind the document submission date and time. Missing the deadline means waiting for the next document submission date.
- **Applications with missing documents or data will not be accepted.** Make sure you double-check the list of required documents on our website. Having a missing document will cause you to wait until next month's document submission period. If your visa/visa exemption period expires, this delay may result in a fine that you will need to pay. Therefore, it is very important to make sure your documents are complete.
- It is mandatory to use a **biometric (in ICAO standards) photograph** in the residence permit applications. You can find the ICAO standards on our website, in the list of required documents on the relevant pages.
- You should stay in Turkey until your application gets evaluated. If you depart before, your application will get rejected automatically.
- If you are making a late application, please make sure that you write and attach a **letter of excuse** in Turkish (Template can be found on our website, in the list of required documents on the relevant pages.)
- Please mind the campus entry regulations to enter campus.

First Semester Feedback Survey

As the International Community Services Office (ICO), we have started 2022 by re-evaluating and restructuring the services we will be providing to our new undergraduate international students.

To better understand and improve, we would like to hear from our current undergraduate students. Your insight looking back to your first-semester experience in your first year will be essential for us to improve our support and resources for the future.

You can give us your feedback by clicking the screen below.

Dogs Trained to Detect COVID-19

10 trained dogs are set to patrol airports

Man's best friend is taking on a new and important role: Sniffing out the coronavirus to help detect possible cases in Turkey.

Istanbul-based Sadi Konuk Training and Research Hospital and Istanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Veterinary Medicine along with TAV Security have concluded a study which they have been conducting for about a year.

After being tested in environments where people are present in the final phase of the project, dogs will be able to take charge wherever there are crowds of people, especially airports.

> Almost all of our dogs are more than 90% successful. However, some of our dogs are higher. Currently, all our dogs have memorized all the variants. Dogs know these scents. When the dogs find the positive substance, they sit.
>
> *Orkun Kara, K-9 Trainer*

Article by Anadolu Agency
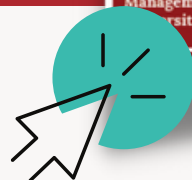
Quarterly Newsletter

New issue is out now!

The 4th issue of the ICO Quarterly Newsletter is now available on our website! Our aim is to inform the KU community about the ICO's news on a regular basis and to create an online archive.

Our Quarterly Newsletter is issued once every three months. It is comprised of the highlights of events, news, updates, and important announcements from ICO, and stories from the community members.

Feel free to share your valued feedback with us via email:
ico@ku.edu.tr

Read now!

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Upcoming Events

4 - 17 Feb 2022

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
31	1	2	3	**4**	**5**	6
7	**8**	9	10	**11**	12	13
14	**15**	16	17	18	19	20

4	KWORKS'22 Info Day	➜
4	shame / Black Midi Concert	➜
5	Jay-Jay Johanson Concert	➜
8 & 15	English Stand-up Comedy Open Mic	➜
11	No Clear Mind Concert	➜

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