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 Amerikalılaştramadıklarımızdan misiniz? 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.