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# Skopje Academy Üsküp Düşünce Okulu

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# What is Skopje Academy?

Skopje Academy aims to give and develop a meaningful perspective on World Civilizations, the Balkans, Cities, Peoples and Man as an Individual.

Skopje Academy consists of 3 modules which are completed during one academic year.

The first module, "Seminars", is conducted over two semesters. This module consists of a total of 10 seminars, with 5 seminars in each semester. (5+5)

The second module includes "Reading" with two reading groups, where the participants will have to participate in the reading groups under the mentorship of a professor, from the articles sent in advance by the lecturers will be discussed and debated

The third module, "Writing", involves the process of working on an article under the mentorship of a professor from Skopje Academy

To pass all these stages, students must attend all lectures in the first level, participate in reading groups in the second level, and finally complete the article writing. Students who successfully complete all levels will be awarded a certificate.

# Aims of Skopje Academy

The Skopje Academy is dedicated to cultivating a global perspective among its students by emphasizing the interconnectedness of global regions, with a special focus on the Balkans. This is achieved through courses and seminars that explore global issues, cultural studies, and regional dynamics, fostering an appreciation for diversity and global interdependence. Additionally, the Academy promotes interdisciplinary learning by integrating social sciences with other fields, offering programs that combine history, sociology, political science, and economics to provide a comprehensive understanding of social phenomena.

To enhance the educational experience, the Academy offers specialized programs such as Summer and Winter Schools and the Civilization School. These intensive, short-term educational programs focus on specific themes or subjects, providing immersive learning opportunities.

Furthermore, the Skopje Academy facilitates social and intellectual networking by creating opportunities for students to connect with peers, academics, and professionals through networking events, conferences, and symposiums. Additionally, practical experience and professional development are offered through internships within the Foundation, allowing students to participate in various projects and commitments, preparing them for their future careers.

# **Goals of Skopje Academy**

### **Academic Excellence:**

to deliver a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum that challenges students and promotes intellectual growth

# **Ethical Development:**

to integrate ethical considerations into all aspects of the curriculum and student activities

#### **Global Awareness:**

to be aware of diverse, geographical and historical experiences

# **Creative Expression:**

to facilitate programs and activities that encourage creative thinking and aesthetic appreciation

# **Professional Preparation:**

to provide mentorship and career guidance and to support students' professional development

### **Research and Innovation:**

to encourage projects that address societal challenges with innovative solutions

### **Community and Inclusivity:**

to foster a community where all students feel valued and supported.

## **Practical Application:**

to ensure that students can apply theoretical knowledge in practical settings.



Balkan Studies Foundation is the continuation of the Fettah Efendi Education and Thought Association, which was founded in September 2016 by young academicians, students, and young businessmen based in Skopje. It has been reorganized under a different institutional framework due to the spread of the activities carried out under the umbrella of the association and the necessity of including all of the Balkans. Between 2016 and 2022, it carried out thousands of activities in the field of education and has carried out considerable activities and studies in the field of research and publication. As of September 2022, it carries out activities with research centers, training centers, and publishing houses under the name of the Balkan Studies Foundation.



For detailed information about the program

Note: Lectures are held in Turkish and Albanian.

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