Application Deadline is March 15, 2021

PROGRAM: For summer 2021, the American Research Institute in Turkey will offer fellowships for advanced students and scholars for participation in the summer program in advanced Turkish language at Boğaziçi University in Istanbul. The program offers on-line instruction for summer 2021.

Due to the uncertainties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, full details about funding and program plans for the Summer of 2021 are not yet available. We appreciate your patience as we navigate through this changing context.

PREDEPARTURE ACTIVITIES: Participation in the program includes 6 hours of preparation prior to departure for Turkey, most of which will be on-line orientation activities.

COURSE OF STUDY: Participation in the program includes 80 hours of instruction during the summer. Courses supported by the ARIT fellowship are offered at the advanced level. Class size is limited to ten students. Classes are conducted in Turkish, with informal and formal styles introduced and reviewed through instruction, online exercises, and open conversations with teaching assistants. Weekly lectures are given on various aspects of the Turkish culture ranging from economics, history, literature, fine arts, architecture and others by scholars specialized in their fields on Thursdays. Weekly Turkish film sessions are scheduled for Mondays.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Full-time students and scholars affiliated at academic institutions are eligible to apply. To be a fellowship applicant, you must:

1. Be a citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States
2. Be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate level academic program, or be faculty
3. Have a minimum B average in current program of study; and
4. Perform at the high-intermediate level on a proficiency-based admissions examination
APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Please complete the online application form and follow the procedures that are accessible on the web at the ARIT program webpage, http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT/ARITSUMMERLanguageProgram.html If you need to, you may submit and the reenter your application to make changes.

The application includes:

1. Application form and statement of purpose
2. Three letters of reference, including one that addresses your abilities as a language learner
3. Official transcript
4. Application fee in the amount of $25 must be made via PayPal at the program webpage.

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PLEASE NOTE: Boğaziçi University offers intensive Turkish language courses at all levels independent of the ARIT fellowship program. Students of Turkish language may also apply directly to the Boğaziçi University Summer School and seek outside funding through their university department or other source.

For further information about courses in Turkish language (all levels) and culture offered at Boğaziçi University, contact:

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