

## TEFL in ISTANBUL, TURKEY



### COURSE DATES 2024

- January 8 - February 2, 2024
- March 4 - 29, 2024
- May 6 - 31, 2024
- August 19 - September 13, 2024
- October 1 - 26, 2024
- November 11 - December 6, 2024

### Get TEFL certified in one of the most historical cities in the world!

Istanbul, historically Byzantium and later Constantinople, is the largest city in Turkey, largest city and second largest metropolitan area in Europe, and fourth largest city in the world with a population of 12.6 million. Istanbul is also a megacity. Istanbul is the cultural and financial center of Turkey. The city covers 27 districts of the Istanbul province. It is located on the Bosphorus Strait and encompasses the natural harbor known as the Golden Horn, in the northwest of the country. It extends both on the Europe (Thrace) and on the Asia (Anatolia) side of the Bosphorus, and is thereby the only metropolis in the world that is situated on two continents. In its long history, Istanbul served as the capital city of the Roman Empire, the East Roman (Byzantine) Empire, the Latin Empire, and the Ottoman Empire. The historic areas of Istanbul were added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1985.

### Via Lingua TEFL Training Center

The center is based in the Kent English School which was founded in 1988 and is specialized in teaching English as a foreign language. Kent is a member of Ozdilder, the representative body of private language schools in Turkey and is accredited by the Turkish Ministry of National Education.

## Teaching English in Turkey

Istanbul is the cultural, historical and social centre of the country. Positions are available within the Kent English School for students passing the course with a high grade. There are numerous English schools in Istanbul that cater to adult students! At the university most students are required to do a year's worth of preparatory English coursework and a sizable percentage of courses, typically around 30 percent, are taught in English.



### FOOD AND CLOTHING

Dishes native to the Marmara region reflect characteristics of Mediterranean cuisine and are often rich in vegetables, herbs and fish. Commonly-used ingredients in Turkish dishes include: meat, eggplant, green peppers, onions, garlic, lentils, beans, tomatoes, nuts (namely pistachios, pine nuts, almonds, hazelnuts and walnuts) with spices such as parsley, cumin, black pepper, paprika, mint, oregano and thyme found in just about every dish - albeit a pastry for desert or lamb for the entrée.

Business casual is your best bet.



### CLIMATE

The climate of Istanbul has a climate classified as temperate-continental - with hot and humid summers and cold, rainy and often snowy winters. With a somewhat high humidity exacerbating the warm, summertime temperatures, the heat often feels more intense than indicated.



### EXCURSIONS AND CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS

#### Bosphorus Tour

A traditional excursion by boat along the waterway which separates Europe from Asia. The shore is lined with old wooden villas, palaces of marble, fortresses, and small fishing villages. During the excursion you will pass the magnificent Dolmabahce Palace, and further along, the parks and imperial pavilions of Yildiz Palace. On the coastal edge of this park, is Ciragan Palace, 300 meters of is marble facade faces the shore. At Ortakoy a great variety of artists gather every Sunday to display their work along the street. Ortakoy is a symbol of tolerance with a church, a mosque and a synagogue existing side by side for centuries.



### ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is provided in fully-furnished shared apartments within walking distance from the school.

*"I never ever could have taught a single day without having what I learned at Via Lingua. In the long run, almost everything I learned has remained a part of both my teaching and my daily experiences here in Istanbul"*

*-Anna*

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