

EDUCATION

The Koç School, Class of 2024
International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP)
& Turkish National Curriculum

September 2022 - June 2024
Istanbul, Türkiye

- Graduated top high school in the nation
- Took the Higher Level IBDP courses: Computer Science, Digital Society, Turkish A: Literature
- Took the Standard Level IBDP courses: Economics, Mathematics Analysis & Approaches, English A: Language and Literature
- Wrote an IBDP Extended Essay titled *Identifying Spam Text Messages Using Machine Learning: A Comparative Analysis of K-Nearest Neighbors, Support Vector Machine, and Multinomial Naive Bayes Classifier Algorithms in Binary Classification Tasks*

Harvard University

June 2023 - August 2023

Secondary School Program at Harvard Summer School

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Enrolled in two 4-credit courses at Harvard:

- CSCI S-7: “Introduction to Computer Science with Python” (Achieved the highest possible grade of A)
- DRAM S-145: “Voice and Speech: Breath, Presence, and Connection” (Achieved the grade of A-)

EXTERNAL COURSEWORK

Harvard Online: CS50's Introduction to Programming with Python

October 2022 – May 2023

Completed nine problem sets and one final project.

London College of Music (LCM) Piano Exam

2019

Received seven years of comprehensive piano education. Awarded *Merit* distinction in the LCM Grade 3 piano exam.

HONORS & AWARDS

NSS Gerard K. O'Neill Space Settlement Contest

2023

Third Place Globally in the Grade 11 Large Group Category

Authored a 50-page paper in a team of 7 over the course of 2 years. Wrote about a theoretical space mission that aims to move humanity to a permanent free-floating space settlement. Awarded third place globally in the grade 11 large group category, standing out among 26,000+ contestants and 4,000+ entries representing 19 countries.

Uber Global Hackathon Regional Finalist

2022

Competed in Uber's computer science hackathon. Placed top 5 in the region that consists of the Middle East, Russia, Central Asia, Central America, and South America.

Koç School Computer Education Department Award

2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2023

Awarded annually by the Koç School to one student in every grade level for their academic excellence and outstanding extracurriculars in Computer Science and related fields.

Koç School Honor Student Award

2021 & 2022

Awarded annually by the Koç School to outstanding students who have gained national or international recognition in an extracurricular activity.

SERVICE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

October 2021 – August 2022

Turkish Translation of MIT AppInventor

Cambridge, Massachusetts & Istanbul, Türkiye

Volunteered to translate MIT AppInventor, an educational tool, into Turkish, thereby making the platform accessible to Turkish students. Led a team of 5 Turkish translator volunteers. Facilitated regular communication through weekly online meetings with the MIT AppInventor team.

Fundraising for State School

November 2022

Independent Community Service

Ankara, Türkiye & Istanbul, Türkiye

Led successful community mobilization efforts to furnish a new state school in Ankara Province that lacked government-provided resources. Coordinated funding initiatives and streamlined transportation logistics. Enhanced learning environments.

EMPLOYMENT

The Istanbul Chronicle

October 2021 – May 2022 • 28 hours per week

Part-Time Lead Software Developer

Istanbul, Türkiye

Worked at an independent student-led newspaper. Oversaw the software development department. Designed, programmed, and maintained the newspaper website.

Wingie Enuygun Group
Full-Time Web Development Intern

July 2021 – September 2021 • 45 hours per week
Istanbul, Türkiye

Interned at a leading global multimillion-dollar travel internet company. Observed and attended the meetings of a back-end developer team. Presented solution proposals to company executives. Worked with experienced programmers on the development of an internal tool. Programmed and documented a microservice.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The IBPS Programming Language

November 2022 – June 2024

Created the IBPS programming language tailored for International Baccalaureate Computer Science students. Created an online educational platform where students can write, share, run, and test their code. The Koç School's Department of Computer Science has adopted the platform for its Computer Science curriculum starting Fall 2023.

Koç NASA Club

Club Member • September 2021 – June 2022
President and Mentor • September 2022 – June 2023
Honorary President • September 2023 – June 2024

- Spearheaded the Koç NASA Club, one of the Koç School's most selective and prestigious student clubs.
- Orchestrated the admissions process, including the design and evaluation of a written exam and interview.
- Competed in the NSS Gerard K. O'Neill Space Settlement Contest. Was awarded third place globally in the grade 11 large group category.
- Mentored, tutored, and supervised a team of grade 10 students that got awarded third place globally in the grade 10 large group category.
- Coached future leaders of the club as honorary president.

ThreAIT

Researcher • November 2022 – December 2023

Research Project

Paris, France & Istanbul, Türkiye

Developed ThreAIT: an artificial intelligence system for automatically detecting prohibited items in X-ray security screening. Supervised by Mehmet Ozgur Sahin, senior scientist at CEA Saclay Irfu, Paris-Saclay University.

FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC)

Club Member • September 2022 – June 2023

Team RAMS#7729

Honorary President • September 2023 – June 2024

Took part in the school robotics team. Built an approximately 1 cubic meter 120-pound robot. Specialized in the software department. Competed in the FIRST Robotics Competition Istanbul Regional round.

The Koç School Department of Fine Arts

February 2023 – June 2023

Master of Ceremonies at Talent Show

Revived a 3-year dormant school tradition post-pandemic. Planned, structured, and organized the school talent show. Hosted the show. Showcased versatile talents by personally performing skits. Rekindled school spirit.

The Computer Science and Programming Club (CSPC)

September 2022 – June 2023

Co-Founder and President. Designed an intensive introductory computer science curriculum. Taught a class of 20 students. Held weekly lectures.

Junior Model United Nations Development Program (JMUNDP)

2022

Head of IT. Took part as Head of IT in the executive committee of the Koç School's Junior Model United Nations Development Program event, an MUN event entirely organized by the Koç School's high school students. Maintained and managed all IT systems used in the event.

Uber Global Hackathon

June 2022 – September 2022

Programmed an artificial intelligence program that can diagnose dermatological conditions through a photo of the affected area. Created a mobile app that lets the users interact with the AI. Created a demonstration video and presented the project in front of a live panel of judges consisting of members from Crimson Education and Uber. Placed top 5 in the region that consists of the Middle East, Russia, Central Asia, Central America, and South America.

Koç Aviation Club

September 2021 – June 2022

Collaborated with a team of 5 to build a fully functional 3D-printed model plane, demonstrating strong teamwork and hands-on skills. Programmed an internally used web service that monitors the 3D printing process for each component of the plane.

SKILLS

Languages

- Native **Turkish**
- Full Professional **English**
- Elementary **German**

Technical Skills

- Proficient in Python, Go, JavaScript/TypeScript, Java, and Rust programming languages.
- Web programming using *React*, *Next.js*, and *Svelte.js*.
- Blockchain programming in the *Solidity* programming language.
- Artificial intelligence programming with *TensorFlow* and *Keras*.
- Web design and prototyping using *Figma*.
- Proficient in the design and usage of document-based and *SQL* relational databases.