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2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

GUIDE FOR THE SECOND ADDITIONAL SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP, AND

PLACEMENT EXAMINATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

APPLYING TO UNDERGRADUATE JOINT PROGRAMS (UOLP) IN MEDICINE AND

DENTAL MEDICINE

2026-2027 International Student Second Additional Selection and Placement Exam Calendar for International Joint Bachelor Program between University of Health Sciences & International University of Sarajevo Faculty of Medical Sciences (Medicine & Dental Medicine)	
Last Application Date (Apply at: apply.ius.edu.ba,)	7 August 2026
IUS - Placement and Scholarship Exam Date	10 August 2026
Announcement of Student Selection Exam Results and Interview exam schedule	12 August 2026
Interview Exam Dates	14 August 2026
Announcement Date of Interview Exam Results	17 August 2026
Announcement Date of Candidates Who Have Earned the Right for Final Registration	21 August 2026
English Language Proficiency Placement Exam – Internationals	18 September 2026
Final Registration Date for VISA COUNTRIES	20 September 2026
Final Registration Date for NON-VISA COUNTRIES	15 September 2026

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I- GENERAL INFORMATION, BASIC PRINCIPLES, AND RULES

1. The duration of the Medicine and Dental Medicine program is 6 (six) academic years excluding preparatory class. The maximum allowable period for a student to complete the 6 (six)-year Medicine or Dental Medicine program is 9 (nine) academic years.
2. Within the scope of this program, in order to qualify for a Bachelor's Degree in Medicine or Dental Medicine from both University of Health Sciences (SBÜ) in Istanbul, Türkiye and International University of Sarajevo (IUS) in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina simultaneously, students are required to complete the English preparatory class, the first 3 (three) year classes (1st, 2nd, 3rd year) at IUS, and, provided that they meet the Turkish language proficiency requirement (B2 level course), complete last 3 (three) year classes (4th, 5th, 6th year) the fourth, fifth, and sixth years at the relevant academic units of SBÜ, thereby becoming eligible for a double diploma.
3. Applicants who apply with the Yükseköğretim Kurumları Sınavı (YKS), International Student Admission Exam (TR-YÖS), SAT-1 (Scholastic Aptitude Test 1), American College Testing (ACT), International Baccalaureate test (IB) and German Abitur test (ARBITUR), shall be exempt from the IUS Written Selection/Scholarship and Placement Examination (See Table 1).
4. For the Medicine program, 10 (ten) international students and 10 (ten) students from Balkan region (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, and Slovenia)
5. For the Dental medicine program, 10 (ten) international students and 10 (ten) students from Balkan region (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, and Slovenia)
6. However, based on the applications received, the quota for international students might be higher, with the approval of both universities, provided that the total number of students in the first year does not exceed 50 (fifty) for Medicine and Dental medicine programs, separately.
7. The number of candidates entitled to enroll from the same country cannot exceed 20% of the total quota of the relevant program.
8. Candidates who are accepted as a result of the additional exam and interview will be eligible for placement in the quotas remaining vacant after the first and additional exam.
9. For the 2026-2027 Academic Year, if the candidate does not have one of the exams shown in **Table 1**, the IUS - Placement and Scholarship Exam and oral interviews will be conducted to admit students for Medicine or Dental Medicine program at IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at SBÜ, Istanbul, Türkiye. The application deadline for the Additional Selection/scholarship and Placement exam will be until August 7th, 2026.

10. For the 2026-2027 Academic year, the IUS - Placement and Scholarship Exam will be conducted on August 10th, 2026, at 10:00 a.m IUS, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at 11:00, SBÜ, Istanbul, Türkiye. The interview exams following the IUS - Placement and Scholarship Exam will take place face-to-face at IUS (or online if necessary), in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina and simultaneously at SBÜ, Istanbul, Türkiye August 14th, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to -5:00 p.m.
11. The written and interview exam results of all international candidates are valid for 2 years.
12. Candidates taking the exam must have their passports or identity documents with them along with the exam admission document on the exam days.
13. The languages of instruction for the programs at Faculty of Medical Sciences are English and Turkish. During the first, second, and third year at IUS, courses will be conducted in English. If deemed necessary, up to 30% (thirty percent) of the courses that students will take at IUS may be offered in Turkish. During the fourth, fifth, and sixth years at SBÜ, the language of instruction will be 100% (one hundred percent) Turkish.
14. International students who do not possess Turkish language proficiency at the B2 level may attend the Turkish Language School program at IUS, as following:
 - a) They must complete the B1 level of Turkish by the end of the first class.
 - b) Students who fail to complete the B1 level will not be allowed to enroll in Turkish-taught courses (if present) during the second and third classes at IUS.
 - c) All students must certify that they have attained B2 level proficiency in Turkish in order to continue their education at SBÜ after completing the first three classes at IUS.
15. Students who have completed the first three academic years at IUS but do not hold a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate to continue their education at SBÜ on the condition that only they obtain the required certificate within the maximum allowed period, or they may transfer to other faculty programs at IUS.
16. In the following cases, prospective students shall be exempt from the requirement to present a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate:
 - a) Native Turkish speakers.
 - b) Those who have completed their high school, undergraduate, or graduate education in Turkish.

II- APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR VISA AND NON-VISA STUDENTS

1. The pre-registration for the written and interview exams for students to be admitted to the Medicine or Dental Medicine programs for the 2026-2027 Academic Year will be conducted

by the Student Affairs Office (SAO) during dates specified in the *Student Selection and Placement Guide*. Registration must be completed through the ONLINE PLATFORM apply.ius.edu.ba.

2. The available admission pathways and their respective eligibility requirements are presented in **Table 1 (see page 7)** and are described in detail below.
 - a. Those who are Turkish citizens by birth and have received permission from the Ministry of Interior to renounce Turkish citizenship, and those who can prove that their underage children, who are registered on the document of renunciation of Turkish citizenship, have a Document on the Use of Rights Granted under the Turkish Citizenship Law. (Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901 states that “(1) A child born to a Turkish citizen mother or father in marriage, whether inside or outside Türkiye, is a Turkish Citizen.” It is useful for candidates who will apply for the quotas from abroad to review the Turkish Citizenship Law),
 - b. Those who were foreign nationals and later acquired Turkish citizenship / in this case those with dual citizenship,
 - c. Candidates who started their secondary education abroad, those who completed their entire secondary education (high school) in a foreign country other than TRNC (including those who completed their entire secondary education (high school) in Turkish schools opened by the Ministry of National Education in a foreign country other than TRNC).
3. According to article 1 and items (b) and (d) of the above article, the quotas for candidates applying under these provisions may not exceed 10% of the international student quota, in accordance with the relevant article of the Higher Education Council in Türkiye, in the fields mentioned in Medicine and Dental Medicine Programs.
4. Applications for the written and interview exams for international students seeking admission to the International Undergraduate Joint Programs in Medicine and Dental Medicine for the 2026–2027 Academic Year must be submitted through the online platform via the following link: apply.ius.edu.ba, within the application period specified in the Guide for the Additional Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam for International students.
5. Student candidates who do not upload all the required documents during the application process will not be considered for pre-evaluation.

6. When applicants are found to have applied improperly, their registration will be canceled, even if these applicants meet the application requirements.
7. The responsibility for any consequences arising from inaccuracies in the information provided in the online application form lies solely with the candidates. In the identity-related information fields of the online application form, the candidate's passport identity details should be entered without alteration or abbreviation in the Latin alphabet.
8. The requested email and telephone contact information on the online application form must belong to the candidates themselves, and each candidate should use only one email address. This email address should not be used for correspondence or transactions on behalf of other candidates.
9. Applicants who apply with an official central exams (excluding the examination conducted by our university)) are required to submit the official result document for the relevant exam listed in the table.
10. Candidates applying via the TR-YÖS and other examinations (excluding the examination conducted by our university) and those applying with a Blue Card must also present their Blue Cards at the time of application. (Presentation of a Blue Card is mandatory for candidates applying under the exemption from Turkish citizenship).
11. If the original high school diploma and transcripts of grades are not issued in Bosnian or English, submitting the translation of the mentioned documents into these languages by Certified Court Translators is mandatory.
12. Candidates who do not have a high school diploma and apply with the International Baccalaureate (IB) Result Certificate obtained at the end of high school graduation exams do not need translation.
13. A photograph of the candidate must be added to the relevant field on the online application form. This photograph should be taken from the front to ensure easy recognition of the candidate and should be taken within the last six months. There should be no significant changes in the candidate's appearance that could affect their recognition in the photograph on the day of the exam. If the Exam and Interview Commission Chairperson find it difficult to identify the candidate from the photograph, the candidate will not be admitted to the written and Interview exams.

APPLICANT CATEGORY	ADMISSION ROUTE	WRITTEN EXAMINATION	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	INTERVIEW
- Turkish citizens - Turkish Citizenship Law: Article 7, No. 5901. - Internationals - who completed high schools in Türkiye (Including Bosnian students).	YKS	Yükseköğretim Kurumları Sınavı (YKS). Numerical Scores: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology	Medicine - top 50,000 candidates. Dental medicine - top 80,000 candidates. <i>Subject to change in accordance with future YKS regulations and decisions of the relevant authorities.</i>	Not required
- Turkish double citizenship. - Turkish citizens who completed entire high school education abroad, excluding North Cyprus. - Internationals. - Bosnians.	TR-YÖS	Türkiye International Student Admission exam Maximum score: 500 points	Medicine: 360 + points. Dental Medicine: 315 + points.	Required
	SAT	SAT-1 (Scholastic Aptitude Test 1) Maximum score: 1600 points	1250 + (Math + Reading & Writing), including at least 600 in Math.	
	ACT	ACT (American College Testing). Maximum score: 36 points	Medicine: Minimum [30] composite score. Dental Medicine: Minimum [28] composite score.	
	IB	International Baccalaureate test. Maximum score: 45 points	Medicine: Minimum [36] points. Dental Medicine: Minimum [34] points	
	ABITUR	German Abitur test (Allgemeine Hochschulreife) Maximum score: 1.0 points	Medicine: Minimum overall grade of 1.3 or better Dental Medicine: Minimum overall grade of 1.6 or better	
- Internationals (Excluding Turkish students). - Bosnians.	IUS Scholarship/ Student selection exam	IUS Faculty of Medical Sciences exam. Maximum score: 100 points	<i>The minimum qualifying score shall be determined after each examination session by the Admissions Committee based on the average applicant scores.</i>	Required

FINAL SCORE CALCULATION FOR YKS EXAM:

Component	Weight
Written Examination	100%
Total	100%

Before final enrollment, all non-Turkish students must submit an Equivalence Certificate confirming that their high school diploma is accepted in Türkiye. Obtained from a Turkish Embassy, Consulate, or Provincial Directorate of National Education.

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FINAL SCORE CALCULATION FOR TR-YÖS, SAT, ACT, IB, ARBITUS AND IUS EXAM:

Component	Weight
Written Examination	60%
Interview	40%
Total	100%

High School Diploma or the Baccalaureate (IB) Result Certificate (scientific-numerical) Required 3.5/5 CGPA (the final grade transcript)

TABLE 1: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IUS&SBÜ UOLP in MEDICINE AND DENTAL MEDICINE

III- PAYMENT OF TUITION FEE

1. Citizens of Balkan countries (Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia) are subject to the same tuition fees as citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This policy aims to foster regional cooperation and facilitate access to higher education for students from neighboring countries.
2. The tuition fee paid by the candidates who have earned the right to enroll in the relevant program as a result of the IUS -Student Selection and Placement Exam and all other exams presented in Table 1, signed the contract with IUS, will not be refunded.
3. The students are required to pay, in addition to the designated tuition fee for their studies in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the fees for the English Preparatory Program or the Turkish Language School, should they be enrolled in either. During the years in which students are actively enrolled at IUS, all fees expected to be paid by the students shall be announced and collected by IUS.
4. The students are required to pay the tuition fees, as determined, for the respective academic years during their studies in Türkiye. While actively enrolled at SBÜ, all applicable fees will be announced and collected by SBÜ.
5. Students are fully responsible for covering their living expenses while studying outside their home country, including:
 - Transportation,
 - Food and accommodation,
 - Health insurance (all students enrolling must obtain health insurance before starting their studies) and medical service fees,
 - Textbooks,
 - Clothing,
 - Miscellaneous personal expenses,
 - Passport, visa, residence permit, and related fees.
6. IUS and SBÜ are not obligated to provide financial support (excluding scholarship fees) to students under any circumstances.
7. The annual tuition fee must be paid in accordance with the procedures and regulations of each institution. Tuition fees are paid in two equal installments. The first installment is due at the beginning of the academic year or during the re-enrollment period. The second installment is due at the beginning of the second semester.
8. Students' financial obligations to each institution are independent of each other. Neither institution is liable to the other for any unpaid fees by students.

9. Scholarships awarded to students at IUS (first three years except English Language School) will continue during the 4th and 5th years at SBÜ, provided that they meet the required academic performance criteria. During the 6th year (internship year), the full tuition fee of the program must be paid.
10. Annual tuition fee for the Medicine Program: 13750 EUR for International Students (excluding Balkan students- see Chapter III, article I).
11. Annual tuition fee for the Dental Medicine Program: 11000 EUR for International Students (excluding Balkan students- see Chapter III, article I).
12. Students enrolled in the English preparatory class will be charged 1250 EUR per session (4 sessions, 5000 EUR in total).
13. Students enrolled in the Turkish language school will be charged 250 EUR per module (4 modules 1000 EUR in total).

IV- IUS STUDENT SELECTION /SCHOLARSHIP AND PLACEMENT EXAM INFO

1. Exam applications of the candidates are examined by the Selection/Scholarship and Placement Exam Commission. After the examination of the documents, the Commission determines whether the information and documents are complete. Candidates, whose “written exam applications” are accepted at the end of the examination, are required to have their passport and/or ID cards with them on the exam day.
2. The IUS Selection/Scholarship Exam consists of 70 questions in total and will last for 75 minutes. The examination will consist of 10 questions in Mathematics, 10 in Physics, 30 in Biology/ Chemistry, 10 in English language and 10 in Logic.
3. There are five (5) multiple-choice answers in the exam questions, and only one of them is the right answer. Candidates must mark the correct option for each question on the optical form (answer paper) that will be given to them during the exam.
4. The evaluation of candidates’ applications and the implementation of the threshold score fall under the authority of the Interview (oral exam) Committee, which also reserves the right to decide whether or not to fill in the available quotas. Meeting the application requirements does not guarantee admission.
5. In order to minimize the mistakes that can be made in the optical form (answer paper), the examiners will inform the candidates about how to mark the answers on the optical form before the exam starts.

V- THE IUS STUDENT SELECTION/SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERVIEW EXAM

1. The Student Selection/Scholarship and Interview Exam is an exam to be administered by the Interview Commission after the written exam. The list of candidates who will be called for the interview will be announced on the website of our university at www.ius.edu.ba. Candidates are required to have their passport and/or ID with them when they come to the interview.
2. The interview exams will take place face-to-face or online (if necessary) at IUS 14th August 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Based on the situation, an online version of the interview can be organized with selected candidates.

VI- EVALUATION OF SCORES FOR STUDENT SELECTION AND HIGHSCHOOL DIPLOMA EQUIVALENCE CERTIFICATION

1. The final list of accepted and enrolled students for the respective study program at the Faculty of Medical Sciences shall be determined based on the applicant's final overall score, as **presented in Table 1**. In case of equality, the younger applicant (based on date of birth) shall be given priority.
2. Candidates who succeed in the Additional Selection/Scholarship exam(s) and interview, as presented in Table 1, will be assigned to the vacancies left unfilled during the first Student Selection/Scholarship exam.
3. Candidates who have successfully passed the examination and interview, met the required high school GPA, and earned the right to enroll are required to submit an 'Equivalence Certificate' (to be obtained from a Turkish Embassy, Consulate, or Provincial Directorate of National Education) demonstrating that their high school diploma is equivalent to diplomas issued by Turkish high schools in order to complete their final enrollment.
4. Final registration at IUS will be completed after the conclusion of the public call for enrolment, and the final list of enrolled students will be published on the official website and notice board of International University of Sarajevo (IUS)

VII- DOCUMENTS REQUESTED FROM CANDIDATES FOR REGISTRATION

1. The online application form along with the documents below:
 - Copy of passport (valid for at least two years)
 - TR-YÖS Result Document (Required only for candidates applying with TR-YÖS)
 - Other exams certificates as presented in Table 1.

- Blue Card (Required only for candidates applying with both TR-YÖS (other exams) and a Blue Card)
- Certificate of English language proficiency – TOEFL (minimum 72) *
- Photo
- Motivation letter
- If accepted for enrolment - High school diploma and Last year transcript of grades.
- If the application is accepted, before final registration, the candidate needs to provide a Highschool diploma equivalency certificate (see Chapter VI, article 3).
- Student Affairs Office will guide all international students during the final registration process.

*Applicants from non-visa regime countries are allowed to sit for the IUS Student Selection and Placement Exam and interview OR applicants who take the TR-YÖS and interview without submitting a TOEFL certificate. Those who pass the exam, fulfill the criteria, and decide to enroll will be required to submit TOEFL certificate later the exam OR take the IUS ELS Proficiency Exam upon arrival. If a prospective student lacks the necessary level of English proficiency to successfully pass the selection and placement examination, including the interview process, the responsibility for this outcome shall rest solely with the student.

2. Applications of those who present false, forged, incomplete or false documents in the application, placement and registration process are rejected. If the candidates are registered, regardless of the period of education, their registration will be cancelled. Necessary legal proceedings are initiated against those whose actions and transactions constitute a crime.

VIII- REQUIREMENTS REGARDING TURKISH PROFICIENCY

1. The students can continue their education at SBÜ in Istanbul, Türkiye, if only they are at least B2 level according to the result of the Turkish Proficiency Exam conducted by the IUS or the Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate obtained from the Turkish and Foreign Language Application and Research Centers (TÖMER) and Yunus Emre Institutes.
2. Students who do not have at least B2 level Turkish Proficiency Certificate are directed to additional Turkish language classes.
3. In the following cases, prospective students shall be exempt from the requirement to present a B2 level Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate:
 - Native Turkish speakers.
 - Those who have completed their high school, undergraduate, or graduate education in Turkish.

IX- REQUIREMENTS REGARDING ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

1. Based on the results of the English Proficiency and the results of all Admission exams (see Table 1), students who are required to attend the English Language School of the International University of Sarajevo can find all information regarding tuition fees and other details on the website: <https://els.ius.edu.ba/en>.
2. Students enrolled in the English preparatory class will be charged 1250 EUR per session (4 sessions, 5000 EUR in total).