

NEAR EAST UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

2026-2027 Fall Term Elective Courses

Dear Students,

You can find the elective course list for the Faculty of Dentistry for the Fall Term of 2026-2027, along with brief descriptions of the courses, in this document.

Please follow the steps below to complete your elective course registration:

1. Choose the course you want to register for from the list of **electives available for your class**.
2. Register for the course on the **UZEBIM platform** (if the course quota is not full).
3. Register for the course on the **Genius Student Information System** after registering on UZEBIM.
4. Inform your advisor via email and request their approval for the course.

Important Notes:

1. Carefully review the course selection guide before making your course selections.
2. If the course you wish to register for has reached its quota, you will not be able to register. Therefore, do not delay your registration.
3. You must select courses from the options designated for your class; otherwise, the course you take will be considered invalid.
4. Second-year students will take two separate elective courses in the Fall Term. One course should be selected from Group A and the other from Group B. If you select two courses from the same group, one of the courses will be considered invalid.

We wish you a successful and healthy academic year.

Faculty of Dentistry - Elective Course Coordinatorship

Faculty of Dentistry - Dean's Office

YEAR 1 ENGLISH PROGRAM

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
CHC100	CYPRUS: HISTORY AND CULTURE	2	ALİ EFDAL OZKUL	ONLINE	-

YEAR 2 ENGLISH PROGRAM

Group A - Monday 08.30 -10.20

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
GEC237	CULTURAL HISTORY	4	SLOBADAN ILIC	ONLINE	40
GEC239	CRITICAL THINKING	4	ESEN SUCUOĞLU	ONLINE	40

YEAR 2 ENGLISH PROGRAM

Group B - Monday 10.20 -12.20

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
GEC269	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	4	ABDULLAHI JALINGO USMAN	ONLINE	40
GEC260	STRESS MANAGEMENT	4	ONWUCHEKWA NDUKWE CHALLY	ONLINE	40

YEAR 3 ENGLISH PROGRAM - Friday 13.30-15.20

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
GEC235	ENGLISH FOR HEALTH SCIENCES	4	SHANZA CHAUHDARI	ONLINE	55
GEC238	SELF-KNOWLEDGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS	4	ONWUCHEKWA NDUKWE CHALLY	ONLINE	55

YEAR 4 ENGLISH PROGRAM - Wednesday 08.30-10.20

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
DEC430	BIOMIMETIC APPROACHES IN AESTHETIC DENTISTRY	4	GÖZDE CANİK BEYAZLAR	ONLINE	30
DEC426	DIGITAL ORTHODONTICS	4	TALAL RADWAN	ONLINE	30

YEAR 5 ENGLISH PROGRAM - Tuesday 13:30 - 15:20

Course Code	Course Name	ECTS	Lecturer	Medium of Instruction	Quota
DEC518	CONTEMPORARY PROSTHETIC MATERIALS	4	DİLEM TOKSOY + SELİN ÇAKIR	FLIPPED LEARNING	25
DEC512	PAIN MANAGEMENT IN DENTAL PRACTISE	4	GİZEM ANDAÇ YANAL	ONLINE	25
DEC516	TREATMENT PLANNING AND PROGNOSIS IN COMPLEX ENDODONTIC CASES	4	MELTEM KÜÇÜK	ONLINE	25

2026-2027 Fall Term Elective Course Descriptions			
Year 1	CHC100	CYPRUS: HISTORY AND CULTURE	ALİ EFDAL ÖZKUL
	Being able to comparatively analyse the variable dynamics of Cyprus across the ages also brings with it an understanding of the dynamics of the Mediterranean basin. Having information about the island of Cyprus and the Mediterranean culture provides us with an opportunity to understand and describe the states established in the Mediterranean, the religious communities operating there, and the socio-cultural interactions between people. This course offers the opportunity to examine in depth the social, economic and cultural dynamics of Cyprus, which acts as a bridge between East and West.		
Year 2 (GROUP A)	GEC237	CULTURAL HISTORY	SLOBADAN ILIC
	The course aims to familiarize students with the historical development of the Western culture and its main concepts from its ancient non-European origins to the modern times. Using related excerpts from literature, philosophy, and political thought, as well as chosen works of art, music and film, the students will be encouraged to develop their own critical attitude on Western culture through free discussion and oral presentations.		
	GEC239	CRITICAL THINKING	ESEN SUCUOĞLU
Year 2 (GROUP B)	This course is designed to develop students' ability to think clearly, rationally, and independently in both academic and real-world contexts. Through a combination of theoretical foundations and practical applications, students will learn how to analyze arguments, evaluate evidence, identify biases, and construct well-reasoned conclusions. The course emphasizes critical reading, effective questioning, logical reasoning, and reflective judgment. Students will engage with diverse materials—ranging from academic texts to current issues in society—to practice applying critical thinking skills across disciplines. By the end of the course, learners will be better equipped to make informed decisions, solve problems creatively, and communicate ideas persuasively.		
	GEC269	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	ABDULLAHİ JALINGO USMAN
	This course aims at providing a comprehensive introduction to the theory and practice of project management. It covers the entire project lifecycle, from initiation and planning to execution, monitoring, and closure. Students will learn essential skills for managing projects successfully, including scope definition, time and cost estimation, risk management, and team leadership. The course emphasizes practical application through case studies, hands-on exercises, and the use of industry-standard project management tools.		
Year 3	GEC260	STRESS MANAGEMENT	ONWUCHEKWA NDUKWE CHALLY
	Practical strategies needed to understand, prevent, and effectively manage stress in academic, personal, social, and professional settings. It examines the nature of stress, its physiological, psychological, emotional, and behavioral effects, as well as the factors that contribute to stress across different stages of life. Students will explore both positive (eustress) and negative (distress) forms of stress and learn evidence-based approaches for building resilience and promoting overall well-being.		
	GEC235	ENGLISH FOR HEALTH SCIENCES	SHANZA CHAUHDARI
Year 4	This course is designed to develop basic English language skills for dentistry students, focusing on everyday vocabulary and communication needed in a dental clinic setting. Students will learn essential health-related terms, simple patient-dentist dialogues, and practical language for describing symptoms, giving instructions, and offering basic oral hygiene advice. The course emphasizes practical English that students can use directly in real clinical communication.		
	GEC238	SELF-KNOWLEDGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS	ONWUCHEKWA NDUKWE CHALLY
	This course is designed to help students develop a deeper understanding of themselves while acquiring effective communication skills essential for academic, professional, and personal success. The course explores the concept of self-knowledge by examining personality, values, beliefs, emotions, attitudes, self-esteem, self-awareness, and emotional intelligence. Students will engage in self-reflection activities to identify their strengths, weaknesses, interests, and areas for personal growth.		
Year 5	DEC430	BIOMIMETIC APPROACHES IN AESTHETIC DENTISTRY	GÖZDE CANİK BEYAZLAR
	This course aims to introduce the fundamental principles and clinical applications of the biomimetic approach in aesthetic dentistry. It focuses on contemporary restorative treatment concepts that mimic the biological and mechanical properties of natural tooth structure.		
	DEC426	DIGITAL ORTHODONTICS	TALAL RADWAN
Year 5	The course will focus on an introduction to digital orthodontics. In this context, the definition and importance of digital orthodontics will be discussed, and the differences between traditional methods and digital approaches will be highlighted. Additionally, the role of digital tools in patient diagnosis and treatment planning will be emphasized, and the advantages these technologies bring to clinical practice will be examined. The aim of the course is to provide participants with a foundational understanding of the concept of digital orthodontics, its applications, and its place in modern dentistry.		
	DEC518	CONTEMPORARY PROSTHETIC MATERIALS	DİLEM TOKSOY + SELİN ÇAKIR
	Impression (conventional, digital), fabrication (conventional, CAD-CAM) and cementation constitute the paramount stages of the science of prosthetic dentistry. Knowing the usage characteristics of different materials that can be preferred at these stages plays a key role in the long-term success of prosthetic restoration. Preferring impression material with correct structural properties helps in accurate mapping of oral tissues. Optically, mechanically, and biologically correct restorative material (titanium, Co-Cr, Ni-Cr, feldspathic porcelain, lithium disilicate, alumina, zirconia, monolithic zirconia, PEEK, PEKK, translucent and ultra-translucent zirconia, cubic zirconia, fibers, nanoceramics, resin-matrix ceramics etc.) is important in terms of meeting the patient's expectations in terms of both aesthetic, phonetic, and functional aspects. The cementation process, which is carried out by following the right steps and using the right cement, ensures long-term clinical success by preventing the biological and mechanical complications of the prosthetic restoration. This elective course aims to overview the usage properties of different materials that can be preferred in the above-mentioned stages in the field of prosthetic dentistry, to observe the materials and to strengthen the obtained material knowledge with laboratory applications.		
Year 5	DEC512	PAIN MANAGEMENT IN DENTAL PRACTISE	GİZEM ANDAÇ YANAL
	The management of pain in dentistry encompasses a number of procedural issues, including the delivery of anesthetic and the management of postprocedural pain, as well as pain diagnosis, management strategies for orofacial conditions that cause pain in the face and head, and the management of pain in special populations. Given the extensive nature of the topic, in this course we will review pain definitions and mechanisms, acute versus chronic pain, and focuses on management strategies related to anesthetic delivery and the control of pain following dental procedures.		
	DEC516	TREATMENT PLANNING AND PROGNOSIS IN COMPLEX ENDODONTIC CASES	MELTEM KÜÇÜK
Year 5	Evaluation of complex endodontic cases is crucial in treatment planning and prognosis. This includes complicated dental trauma, dental anomalies, persistent apical infection, diseases that mimic endodontic lesions, teeth with complicated root canal anatomy, tooth resorption, broken instrument cases, endodontic surgery, and paresthesia cases associated with endodontic treatment. Each case requires careful consideration and a tailored approach to ensure successful outcomes. This lecture aims to teach students the complexities of endodontic cases to avoid during treatment and refer the patient to a specialist if needed		