FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What do I need to do to take the ELAE?
The ELAE is held in September, January, and June on the dates specified in the Academic Calendar and applications must be made via SUForm.

Where will I take the ELAE? How can I find out the day and time?
The ELAE is held three times a year on the dates specified in the Academic Calendar. Exam location and time are announced on our internal and external websites.

How can I learn ELAE results?
The results are published on the internal and external web. Students can learn their results from the inquiry screen in the announcement with their student numbers. These results will also be reflected in the transcript. Results are not shared over the phone.

How is ELAE grading done?
ELAE Stage II results are announced as letter grades and numerical grade scales. The exact numerical score will not be announced.

The grade scale is as follows.

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How and when can I submit the external examination document?

Detailed information regarding external examination document submission is available on our School of Languages website. The document must be sent via e-mail to Nilay Konuşkan from the School of Languages (schooloflanguages@sabanciuniv.edu) on the dates specified in the Academic Calendar.

How can I progress to freshman studies?

You can become a freshman by getting a score of 70 or above from the Route 4 level, by getting a score of 70 or above from the ELAE exam, or by submitting an external exam result document for an exam held at a state university building on the dates specified in the Academic Calendar, as stated on the FDY exemption exams page.

Do I need to register for courses through the Student Information System?

Course registration at FDY is made by Student Resources. Students do not need to register separately.

Where can I find out my course schedule and which class I am in?

Before classes start, they will be published in the MySU announcements. You can find out your course schedule by entering your student number. You can also view it via the Student Information System.

Can I get a document (Language Proficiency Certificate) showing that I have completed my education at the FDY?

You can send your document request to schooloflanguages@sabanciuniv.edu. Your document will be prepared within 2 working days.

If I cannot complete the FDY at the end of the spring semester, can I study in summer school? Do I need to pay a fee?

There is no tuition fee for summer school at the FDY level. At the end of the spring semester, students who obtain a passing grade (70 or above) in Route 2 and Route 3, but cannot obtain a passing grade in Route 4 or Route 4 Intensive, and those who receive a D in June ELAE, can study in summer school.

Is there a duration of study at the FDY level?

The normal education period at the FDY level is 1 academic year. The maximum education period is 2 academic years.

What should I do if I am not successful after studying at FDY for 1 Academic Year?

- Students who are not successful at the end of the first year can study at FDY for one or two more semesters. These students must apply to the School of Languages Directorate with the “FDY Optional Attendance Application Form” on the dates determined by the University.

- Students who do not want to study at FDY for an additional semester or two can apply to the School of Languages Directorate with the “Application form to study Outside FDY” and request an additional period. Students in this situation can use their right to...
additional time to improve their English language skills outside the University as students preparing externally. In this case, liabilities to the university must be checked.

- These students become entitled to start undergraduate/graduate programs if they sit and succeed in the ELAE (provided that they apply) during the time they spend outside or if they submit a Language Exemption Certificate on the dates determined by the University. Click here for language exemption conditions.

**What should I do if I am not successful in the FDY after 2 academic years?**

By the decision of the School of Languages Board, these students are dismissed from FDY due to academic failure. Students who have completed the maximum education period can improve their English language skills outside the University at their own expense. These students are given three ELAE rights, which they can use within three years, and the right to submit a language exemption certificate on the dates determined by the University. Click here to get information about FDY exemption exams.

**What happens to my education status if I do not renew my registration at the FDY level?**

Students who do not renew their registration at the FDY, and who do not request additional education or additional time, become unregistered. Students who remain unregistered due to non-payment of tuition fees for 4 consecutive years will be dismissed from the University with the approval of YÖK.

**I am in the Academically Failed Student status in the Foundations Development Year. Do I have the right to take the ELAE exam?**

Students who are dismissed from FDY due to academic failure are given the right to take three ELAE exams within three years. You can use this right within 3 years.

**Can I take semester leave during the Foundations Development Year?**

Semester leave is allowed during the Foundations Development Year. You can take leave for a maximum of 1 academic year. You need to apply for leave via SUForm. Once your leave application is discussed and approved by the School of Languages Board and the required fee payment is completed, your leave application will be approved.