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The Senate of Kastamonu University convened under the chairmanship of our Rector, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Hamdi Topal. The meeting, held in our university's Senate Hall, was attended by Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Mehmet Atalan, Prof. Dr. Ömer Küçük, Prof. Dr. Selahattin Kaymakçı, and Acting Secretary General Assoc. Prof. Dr. İbrahim Demirbaş and senate members.



Visit to our Rector from Seil Dileki akmak, Director of Kastamonu Industrial Zone

Kastamonu Organized Industrial Zone (OSB) Manager Seil Dileki akmak visited our Rector, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Hamdi Topal, in his office on January 20, 2026.

During the visit, topics such as joint projects that will contribute to regional development, efforts to develop qualified human resources, and increasing cooperation between industry and academia were discussed.



Visit to our Rector from the KOSGEB Delegation

Deputy President of the Small and Medium Enterprises Development and Support Administration (KOSGEB), Selim Serkan Ercan, and Head of Ecosystem Support Department, Mustafa Kurt, visited our Rector, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Hamdi Topal, in his office on January 20, 2026.

During the visit, our Vice Rector Prof. Dr. mer Kk, Kastamonu Technopark, and K TTO General Manager Prof. Dr. Alperen Kaymakı, and KOSGEB Kastamonu Provincial Director Nevzat Erol were also present.



The MEDEK Accreditation Certificate Presentation and the “Professional Education +1 Applied Training Model” Program were held at Kastamonu University



At Kastamonu University, the MEDEK Accreditation Certificate Presentation and the “1+ Applied Education Model in Vocational Education” program were held with the participation of Prof. Dr. Mehmet Sarıbiyık, Rector of Sakarya University of Applied Sciences and Chairman of the MEDEK Board of Directors.

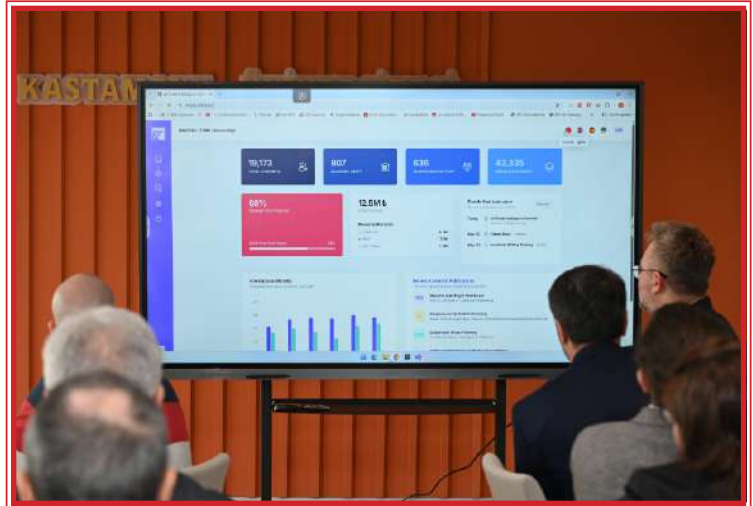
Prior to the program held on January 15, 2026, at the Faculty of Theology Conference Hall, Prof. Dr. Mehmet Sarıbiyık, Rector of Sakarya University of Applied Sciences and Chairman of the MEDEK Board of Directors, visited our Rector, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Hamdi Topal, in his office.



The TPM-III Meeting of the IMAP4U Erasmus+ Project was held at Kastamonu University

The third Transnational Project Meeting (TPM-III) of the IMAP4U (Integrated Model for Strategic Excellence in Higher Education Institutions) project, coordinated by Hitit University and carried out within the European Union Erasmus+ Program, is being held at Kastamonu University on January 22-23, 2026.

At the opening meeting held on January 22, 2026, at the Erasmus+ Welcome Office, topics aimed at developing international cooperation in the fields of higher education quality, strategic governance, and institutional excellence were discussed.





Kastamonu University Enters Its 20th Year with a Special Logo Reflecting Its Corporate Identity

Kastamonu University, which has followed a steady development path in education, science, culture, art, and sports since its establishment, shared its special logo, prepared for the 20th anniversary, which it will celebrate in 2026, with the public.

The 20th-anniversary logo, which symbolizes our university's academic journey, brings together institutional knowledge and a forward-looking vision in a visual narrative. The design, with its structure and symbolic expression aligned with our University's corporate identity, will serve as the common visual language for all activities throughout our 20th anniversary year.



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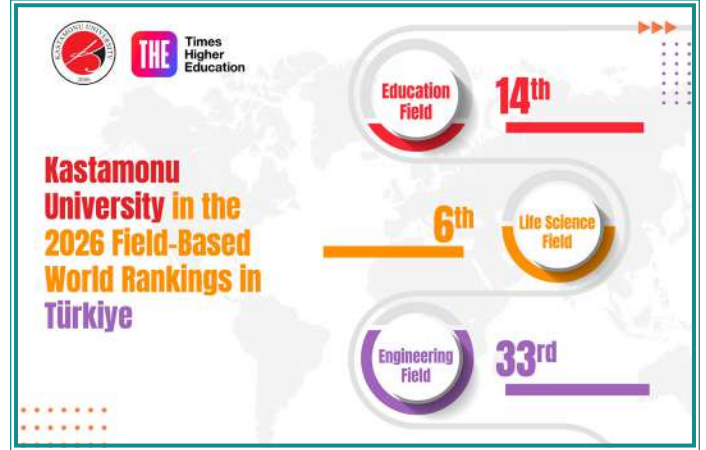
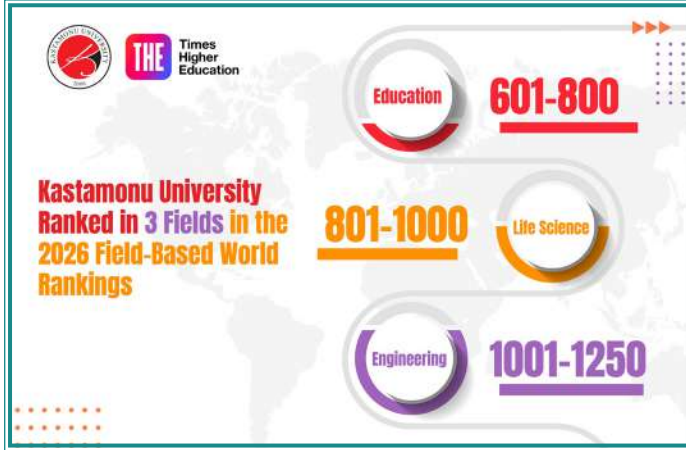
ÖZEL LOGO

Üniversitemiz, 20. Yılına Kurumsal Kimliğini Taşıyan
Özel Logo ile Giriyor

Kastamonu University Ranked in Three Fields Worldwide in THE 2026 Subject Rankings

Kastamonu University achieved a significant success in the Times Higher Education (THE) 2026 Subject Rankings, one of the world's most prestigious higher education ranking organizations. Our university successfully entered the list of the world's best universities in the fields of Education, Life Sciences, and Engineering as a result of the evaluations conducted.

Our university ranked in the 601–800 band in Education, 801–1000 in Life Sciences, and 1001–1250 in Engineering.



Kastamonu University Ranked in the QS 2026 World University Regional Rankings

According to the 2026 World University Regional Rankings, announced by the London-based higher education ranking organization QS, Kastamonu University ranked in the 791-900 band among universities across Europe. Our university is ranked 79th out of 140 universities in the Western Asia regional ranking and 18th among Turkish universities in the citation-per-publication indicator.

The QS ranking considered indicators such as citations per academic, academic/student ratio, visibility in international research networks, international student and academic ratios, graduate employment, sustainability studies, and reputation among employers and academics. Our university was included in the evaluation based on its progress in various indicators, particularly in internationalization and research performance.



183 Industrial Property Applications Were Made at Kastamonu University During the 2020–2025 Period



Kastamonu University, while steadily continuing its R&D and innovation-focused studies, is demonstrating its steps toward transforming academic knowledge production into economic and social benefit with concrete results in the field of intellectual and industrial property.

Founded in 2006, our university filed its first patent application in 2011. By the time the Technology Transfer Office became operational in 2020, a total of 22 patent applications had been

filed under the ownership of our University. Twelve of these applications were registered by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office and added to the intellectual property inventory.

The Kastamonu-Focused Reports Series Continues with the Protected Areas Study

The “Kastamonu Reports” series, prepared by Kastamonu University, continues with studies examining Kastamonu’s natural, environmental, and socio-economic structure based on scientific data. In this context, the report titled “Protected Areas of Kastamonu Province: Inventory, Problem Analysis, and Future Perspective” was published.



In the report prepared by faculty members from the Department of Forestry Engineering at our university’s Faculty of Forestry, Prof. Dr. Gökhan Şen and Prof. Dr. Nuran Yiğit, national parks, nature parks, wetlands, wildlife development areas, and natural assets located within the borders of Kastamonu province were examined through a comprehensive inventory study.

A New Address for Future Technologies: Kastamonu University National Technology Training Center Begins Operations

In accordance with our country's National Technology Initiative goals, the Kastamonu University National Technology Center, where students can bring their ideas and projects to life, has been opened.

The National Technology Training Center, which began its activities under the slogan "Target - Develop - Design," aims to support young people entering the field of domestic and national technologies and to contribute to the training of qualified human resources in this field.

Within the workshop, students and young entrepreneurs will be able to conduct comprehensive studies in the processes of education, research and development, and technical and vocational application. Thanks to the infrastructure created, participants will be able to develop innovative thinking skills, engage in project-based work, and have direct contact with the business world.



8 Student Clubs from Kastamonu University Accepted into the National Technology Clubs Union

As part of the National Technology Clubs Association, coordinated by the Ministry of Industry and Technology and supported by TÜBİTAK, the platform membership application of eight student clubs operating within Kastamonu University was accepted.



Within the union, our university will be represented by the following communities: the Technopark Student Community, the Spatial Information for Everyone Community, the Technofest Student Community, the International Trade and Logistics Community, the Software Development Community, the Forest Industry and Innovation Community, the Biological Sciences Research Community, and the Artificial Intelligence Student Community.

Kastamonu University Provided Approximately 72 Million TL in Support for 64 Projects in Forestry and Nature Tourism

Within the scope of the Regional Development-Focused Mission Differentiation and Specialization Program carried out by the Council of Higher Education, Kastamonu University, which specializes in forestry and nature tourism, continues its academic, scientific, and application-oriented studies in this context.



The studies conducted by the Specialization Coordination Directorate for Forestry and Nature Tourism, located within our university, focus on the conservation, planning, and sustainable management of the natural resources in the Western Black Sea Region.

Kastamonu University's Electric Steel Patent Developed with Powder Metallurgy Receives Registration

The study titled "Production of FeAlSiMn Electrical Steel by Adding Different Alloy Elements Using Powder Metallurgy Method," which was applied for under the ownership of Kastamonu University and whose inventors are Assoc.Prof. Dr. Yücel Çetinceviz and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Akkaş, faculty member of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture, has been registered by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office.

Within the scope of the patent, FeAlSiMn-based electrical steel was produced using powder metallurgy and modified with various alloying elements, including Co, Ni, Cu, and Cr. The mechanical, electrical, and magnetic properties of samples obtained by the hot pressing method were examined in detail.



TÜBİTAK 1002 Support for Kastamonu University's Graphene Oxide Modified Composite Structures Project

The project titled "Development of Novel Composite Structures Modified with Graphene Oxide and Investigation of Their Chemosensor Properties," prepared by our university's faculty member, Lecturer Dr. Merve Zurnacı, has been awarded support under the TÜBİTAK 1002 – Fast Support Program.

The project aims to synthesize new composite structures modified with graphene oxide and to thoroughly examine the chemosensor properties of these structures.



Kastamonu University Daday Nafi and Ümit Çeri Vocational School of Culinary Arts Program Accredited by TURAK

The Culinary Arts Program within the Daday Nafi and Ümit Çeri Vocational School of Kastamonu University has been accredited by the Tourism Education Evaluation and Accreditation Board (TURAK).



Upon completion of the evaluation conducted by TURAK, the program was awarded “Conditional Accreditation,” valid from December 31, 2025, to December 31, 2027. As part of the process, the program’s curriculum, academic staff, and practical opportunities were examined against the established criteria.

Kastamonu University is carrying its Scientific Production into the Future with its Coordination Structures

Kastamonu University continues to support its academic output with a planned and sustainable approach thru the directorates it has structured in line with its scientific research, quality, and internationalization goals. The directorates operating within our university contribute to the high-quality and coordinated execution of scientific studies across a wide range, from research to publication, and from technology to environmental policies.

The current link in our university’s future-oriented restructuring process is formed by the thematic directorates established in 2024 and 2025. The Student Projects and Competitions Coordination Of-

fice, established in 2025, aims to make students an active component of scientific production, fostering a research culture from an early stage.



While the Excellence in Education Coordination focuses on improving the quality of education by implementing current approaches in teaching processes, the Sustainability Coordination addresses climate change, environmental responsibility, and resource efficiency within an institutional framework.

Great Interest in Kastamonu University Central Library: Served Over 434,000 Users in 2025

Kastamonu University Central Library continues to contribute to the educational and research activities of our university with its physical facilities, digital infrastructure, and accessible services.

Our Central Library, which benefits not only our students, academic and administrative staff, but also external users, serves with its structure open to interaction with the university community.

According to 2025 data, the total number of users benefiting from the Central Library reached 434,516. The library, which sees heavy use throughout the year, was particularly popular among our students as a study area, especially during exam periods.



Kastamonu Technopark Has Transformed into a Regional R&D and Entrepreneurship Ecosystem in Five Years

Kastamonu Technopark, established within Kastamonu University with contributions from public institutions and the private sector, began its journey in 2020 by accepting its first company. By 2025, it will have transformed into a regional-scale technology and R&D ecosystem.

The developments achieved in various areas, including physical infrastructure, human resources, entrepreneurship, and commercialization, over the past five years since its establishment, highlight the role Kastamonu Technopark plays in university-industry cooperation.

Kastamonu Technopark, established by a 2018 decision of the Council of Ministers and incorporated and operational by the end of 2019, welcomed its first companies in May 2020. In the subsequent process, Kastamonu Technopark, which continued to grow especially with infrastructure investments, significantly increased its institutional capacity with the 5,834-square-meter Administrative Building and Incubation Center that became operational in January 2022.





A Full Year in 2025 from the Child Education Application and Research Center

Kastamonu University Child Education Application and Research Center implemented numerous activities, training, and collaborations for children and families throughout 2025. The center maintained an intensive and high-quality program throughout the year, including practical studies supporting children's development, family education, library-based activities, and international academic interactions, all conducted in collaboration with internal and external stakeholders.

Our University's Baby and Children's Library, one of the center's important components that serves children aged 0–8 in our province, received significant interest throughout 2025. The library was actively used as a living-learning space through visits from university and high school students as part of school visits, parent-child meetings, and child-literature-focused lessons held throughout the year. During this process, the Baby and Children's Library was visited by 1096 parent-child groups, 26 schools, 512 students, and 30 teachers.





Different Geographies Meet in Kastamonu: 111 International Students from 23 Countries Receive Turkish Language Education at TÖMER

Kastamonu University's Turkish Teaching Application and Research Center (TÖMER) will provide education to international students from various countries during the 2025-2026 academic year. According to current data, a total of 111 international students from 23 different countries have gathered in Kastamonu to learn Turkish and experience Turkish culture.

Highest Participation from Indonesia and Somalia

Among the students studying at TÖMER, Indonesia leads with 26 students, followed by Somalia with 25 students. These two countries are followed by the Philippines, with 12 students, Nigeria, with 8 students, Turkmenistan, with 7 students, and Kazakhstan, with 6 students.



Online certified Canva training organized by our Artificial Intelligence Studies Coordination Office has been completed

The Online Certified Canva Training, organized by the Artificial Intelligence Studies Coordination for Kastamonu University students, was held from November 24 to December 5, 2025, and was successfully completed.

In the 9-day training program, which was attended by students from different faculties, basic and practical information in the field of digital design was shared. As part of the training, students acquired skills that they can apply in their academic and professional lives by learning to effectively utilize the design tools offered by Canva.



Kastamonu University Wushu Athletes Win Second Place in Türkiye

Students from Kastamonu University's Faculty of Sports Sciences and Vocational School placed second in the Interuniversity Wushu Türkiye Championship. The athletes finished the championship with 2 gold and 2 bronze medals.

The Intercollegiate Wushu Türkiye Championship, organized by the Turkish University Sports Federation (TÜSF) in Sakarya, was held at the Sakarya Serdivan Sports Hall with high participation. In the organization, 216 athletes from 56 universities competed in the "Sanda" and "Taolu" categories.

Hüseyin Eren Küçüköğlü and Sedat Altun, students from the Faculty of Sports Sciences and the Vocational School representing our university at the championship, won gold medals in the Sanda Men's Heavyweight Category, while Asrın Fırat Yaman and Doğukan Doğan took home bronze. With these results, our university won the second-place trophy in the Sanda discipline.





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