The Sabancı University Psychology M.S. Program brings together a vibrant group of researchers interested in understanding how people think, feel, and behave. Our graduate program has a strong emphasis on hands-on research experience. Our students gain extensive experience in communicating science, through writing scientific articles and presenting at seminars and conferences. We provide a solid methodological and statistical background, develop critical thinking, and provide experience and skills for every stage of the research process. Our students have the opportunity to use our state-of-the-art research facilities, including video-equipped observation laboratories, EEGs, online survey software, computer-based testing cubicles, eye trackers, large group testing spaces, facial electromyography equipment, and electrodermal activity equipment.

The Social Psychology Track focuses on interpersonal relationships and intergroup processes. Our students can gain experience using multiple methods including experiments, naturalistic and laboratory behavioral observations, cross-sectional and longitudinal surveys, and daily experience assessments. The Cognitive Psychology Track focuses on how we perceive, attend to, understand, remember, imagine and conceptualise our world, and how the brain supports these processes. Our students can gain expertise with cognitive neuroscience methods, psychophysiology, behavioral, observation and performance-based measures, surveys, eye tracking and EEG.

**Research Areas**

**Social Psychology track**
- Parent-child Relationships
- Language Development in Early Life
- Formation, Maintenance, and Loss of Adult Social and Intimate Relationships
- Family Dynamics
- Attachment
- Interplay between Memories and Social Relationships
- Self-regulation
- Culture
- Intergroup Contact
- Prejudice and Discrimination
- Well-being

**Cognitive Psychology track**
- Memory
- Perceptual Organization
- Attention
- Cognitive Control
- Imagery
- Biological Motion
- Language
- Affective Cognition
- Experimental Psychopathology
- Visual Cognition and Neuroscience
- Human-robot Interaction
- Road User Behavior
Faculty Members

- Nihan Alp
  Visual Perception

- Çağla Aydın
  Memory, Culture

- Nebi Sümür
  Attachment, Driving

- Gül Günaydın
  Interpersonal Relations

- Eren Günseli
  Memory, Attention

- Olesia Blazhenkova
  Visual Cognition

- Çiğdem Bagcı
  Intergroup Relations

- Emre Selçuk
  Close Relationships

- Junko Kanero
  Language, Robots

- Robert Booth
  Emotion, Anxiety

- Asuman Büyükkcan Tetik
  Romantic Relationships

Benefits Provided for Graduate Students

- Merit-based scholarship opportunities
  (full tuition waiver, monthly stipend, housing / transportation support)
- Private health insurance
- International conference travel funding for paper presentations

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Application Requirements

- Official Transcript
- Statement of Purpose
- Research Plan
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- ALES, GRE or GAT scores
- English Proficiency Exam (TOEFL IBT, PTE Academic, CAE, CPE, YDS, e-YDS or YÖKDİL)
- CV

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