

## **Bilkent University ACM-W Student Chapter**

Bilkent University ACM-W Student Chapter is considered to be one amongst the Outstanding Chapter Activities and Outstanding Chapter Website Awards. Below is a brief description of our chapter followed by the application for Outstanding Chapter Website Award.

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Number of Chapter Members: **100**

Website URL: <http://www.bilwic.bilkent.edu.tr/>

## **DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL**

Bilkent University is amongst the top universities of Turkey. Bilkent University was founded on October 20, 1984 by İhsan Doğramacı. The name “Bilkent” exemplifies the founder’s aim, since it is an acronym of “bilim kenti” in Turkish for “city of science and knowledge.” To promote the enrichment of teaching and research programs, Bilkent University entered into collaborative projects and exchange programs with many universities abroad. Bilkent has student exchange agreements with universities from countries such as Australia, Japan, Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States of America. The faculty is comprised of an academic staff from around 40 different countries. Most of them were working in prominent universities in North America and Europe when they received offers from Bilkent University. According to ISI Citation Indexes, Bilkent ranks high in Turkey and internationally in number of published papers per faculty member. Bilkent University

ranks 28th in Times Higher Education's 100 Under 50 list of the world's best young universities.

Number of students at our school who take computer science: 883

## **DESCRIPTION OF CHAPTER**

BILWIC (Bilkent University Women in Computing), is a student community which is established in Bilkent University, in 2004, to raise awareness about women's role in computing. BILWIC, "Bilkent University ACM-W Student Chapter" has the first international ACM-W identity. BILWIC, which has both national and international identity, is the first ACM-W Student Chapter in Turkey, with 181 and more other student chapters in the world. The number of student chapters are getting greater day by day. The Bilkent University ACM-W Student Chapter combines secondary school, bachelor's, graduate students and professionals with the knowledge and awareness of women's contributions to the design, development, structuring, management and execution of modern computing, supporting the development of learning and working fields for women in information technology to encourage the concept of women in activities with knowledge, and to promote communication between people who are interested in women's topics in computing.

## **WEBSITE**

Deciding the theme of the website and the sections took time. All information is well-organized. Also, it is compatible with different screen sizes such as mobile devices. We think that it is easy for the user to understand the components of website. The website has:

1. **HOME PAGE** – It contains simple details from each section of the website such as the links to access the description of the chapter, events with their logos, our aims, chapter officers with their photos and e-mails and social media links, the latest news feed, upcoming events section, social network handles and phone numbers, addresses and a part to send a message.
2. **ABOUT US** – It contains details about us. The visitors can understand what BILWIC, ACM-W Bilkent and ACM-W are. Additionally, it contains the link which shows the place of ACM-W Bilkent among all chapters.
3. **EVENTS** – It contains all events of the chapter and information about them. It also includes links to the special website of the event (if any) and event report to access comprehensive information.
4. **CHAPTER OFFICERS** – It includes the names of the officers. Almost all officers are coordinators of any activities of our chapter. This section contains information about that.
5. **ITBLOG** – IT Blog of BILWIC covers a wide range of technology topics including technology companies, internships and jobs, seminars and courses which are related to IT also it includes the blogs about our activities from our members or other people who are willing to write.

6. **PAST ACTIVITIES** – Since this chapter was founded in 2004, it has an archive for the past activities from 2007. This section is to look at the past activities with respect to years and months.
7. **CONTACT** – This section includes the address of the chapter's office in university also any contact links such as e-mail and social media accounts.
8. **JOIN US** – This part includes the information about ACM because all people should understand that ACM-W is for all ACM members. Except for joining student chapter, our aim is to promote ACM. By this way, we explain the membership benefits of ACM to the people and basically direct their attention.

Wordpress is chosen to prepare this website because it is more convenient to use and update it for all our chapter officers. Since Bilkent is important for all people, the university domain is used for highlighting the chapter. In addition, we did not pay money to do this. Therefore, it is considered as a best job with shoe-string budget.