

MimED2025 Questions and Answers | **The questions have not been intervened in the way they are written; simply translated into English.*

Q1: Our university's educational model is based on an interdisciplinary approach, and we offer joint studio courses with students from the Architecture and Interior Architecture departments. Our projects include architectural design, spatial organization, and contextual analysis, all of which are components of architectural formation.

In this context, as a student in the Urban Design and Landscape Architecture Department, I would like to know if I am eligible to participate in the MimED 2025 competition.

A1: *As stated in Article 3 of the Competition Brief, the competition is open to undergraduate students enrolled in architecture departments of architecture faculties in the Republic of Turkey and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. Students enrolled in other departments are not eligible to participate with projects created in joint studios.*

Q2: I'm currently a fourth-year student at University X, and I'm also studying because I have a class left. My classes and exams end in January, meaning I'll be dismissed from school at the end of this semester. Would there be a problem with my participation in MIMED 2025?

A2: *It is possible that students participating in the 4th Year Category might have graduated last year. As long as you don't participate in the 4th Year Category with your graduation project, diploma project, or final semester project, your dismissal from school doesn't prevent you from participating in the competition.*

Q3a. Does a project's previous award in another competition preclude participation in this competition?

Q3b. For projects that have reached the printed submission stage, shipping companies often find it difficult to accept hard-surfaced sheets sent from outside of Istanbul due to their size and the fact that they cannot be shipped anonymously outside the province. This situation limits participation in the competition from different regions of Turkey. Can a solution be developed to streamline the process?

A3a. *The 'MimED2025 Architecture Student Project Awards' cover the 2024-2025 Fall, 2024-2025 Spring, and 2024-2025 Summer semesters for architectural design studios of students enrolled in undergraduate architecture programs, as well as the 2024-2025 Summer semesters offered as part of the summer school program at some universities. Having submitted a project that meets this requirement in other competitions does not affect your application to MimED2025.*

A3b. *Printed submissions will not be shipped anonymously. You can ship us your submission, using the shipment address information specified in Article 12 of the Competition Brief. Later on, if you provide the shipment information, we can verify whether it has been received by us. For deliveries sent via mail/courier, we recommend that you package your boards and the accompanying identification envelope (ID form and CD) in a way that prevents damage (between two sheets of corrugated cardboard). The shipments can be transported this way.*

Q4. I graduated from the Department of Architecture at University X in the Spring 2024-2025 semester. Can I participate in the competition with the project I prepared as part of the "Architectural

Project 4" workshop, led by my professor, during the Fall 2024-2025 semester while I was a fourth-year student in the Department of Architecture?

A4. *Students can participate with projects they produced individually or in groups (maximum of three) in architectural project studios during the Fall 2024-2025, Spring 2024-2025, and Summer 2024-2025 semesters. Graduation, diploma, and final semester projects, etc., are not included in the fourth-year category. (See Article 3 of the Competition Brief.) In other words, if the project you completed in the Fall 4th year is not your final project, you can submit it to the competition.*

Q5a. I'm a fourth-year student at University X. I'd like to participate in this year's mimed25 competition. I reviewed the requirements, but I didn't see a specific topic or requirements for the project. Just to be sure, I wanted to ask. Can I participate with any project I have my own design idea for?

Q5b. I also reviewed the registration requirements and specifications. It appears I need to register on mimedprojects.com, but I can't access such a page on the website. I don't know where to register on mimedprojects except for two posters for the pre-selection.

A5a. *Students can participate with projects they create individually or in groups (of up to three people) in their architectural design studios. (See Article 3 of the Competition Brief.) There are no conditions or restrictions regarding the project topic.*

A5b. *mimedprojects.com has been activated as of today. You can register on the site and upload digital submissions for the pre-selection.*

Q6a. The www.mimedprojects.com website provided for registration is not available when I search. I couldn't find a registration tab on your site. Where can I access the registration section?

Q6b. There is a two-page limit for the competition, so if we want to include technical drawings of large-scale projects, they won't fit. Can we include drawings without scale (site plans, plans, sections, elevations, etc.)?

A6a. *mimedprojects.com is active as of today. You can register on the site and upload digitally for pre-selection.*

A6b. *You may submit your project's technical drawings, not to scale, to fit onto the sheets. However, we would like to remind you that projects that do not meet the project panel specifications specified in Article 10 of the Competition Brief (sheet size, orientation, format, placement of sheets on rigid material, etc.) will be disqualified from consideration based on the report submitted by the rapporteurs to the jury. Beyond these restrictions, the project's representational tools, presentation techniques, and sheet layouts are left to the participant. For the submission format, please review Articles 9 and 10 of the Competition Brief in detail.*

Q7. I'm currently an Erasmus student and will be studying abroad this semester. In this case, is it possible for me to enter the competition with a project I prepared while studying in Turkey last semester?

A7. *You must enter the competition with projects you completed at your school in Turkey. Even if you're on Erasmus this semester, you can still participate with a project you completed last semester.*

Q8. Hello, I'm X and have graduated from the architecture department at University X this year. I wanted to know if I can participate in MimED 2025 with my 401 project from the first semester of my fourth year, which is the fall semester. I know that the graduation project isn't valid, but I was wondering if it would cause a problem in the first semester of my fourth year, since I've already graduated. Thank you in advance.

A8. *You can participate with your fourth-year fall semester project, as long as it's not your final project.*

Q9. Hello, can we update the products of the projects, on condition that the project's outline remains the same? I'm talking about its display and visualization. For example, creating a new rendering of an existing project or adjusting the colors of the entire project.

A9. *Participants may make minor revisions and changes to the layouts and visuals, provided they do not alter the project's structure or content. Participation in the competition requires the studio director's approval. Making changes or additions to your project's design will result in the studio director's disapproval.*

Q10. You listed November 10th as the deadline for project submissions, but the project I'm working on this fall semester is due at the end of December. Do we need to submit our project from the previous semester?

A10. *You can participate in the MimED2025 competition with projects you completed in the 2024-2025 academic year. (See Article 1 of the Competition Brief)*

Q11a. I am a second-year student in the Department of Architecture at University X. I would like to participate in the MIMED Architecture Student Competition. However, since I haven't yet completed a project in my second year, I'm considering submitting my first-year final project. In this case, will my entry be evaluated in the first-year category?

Q11b. I would also like to inquire about the competition participation fee. I would also like to know if applications are submitted by uploading projects through the digital registration system.

A11a. *You can participate in the MimED2025 competition with projects you completed in the 2024-2025 academic year. (See Article 1 of the Competition Brief) You can participate in the category of the year you completed your project in during the 2024-2025 academic year with your project. (For example, "First-Year Category")*

A11b. *You can apply to the competition by registering at www.mimedprojects.com and uploading your project boards that meet the pre-selection requirements. You must also pay the registration fee at this stage. The participation fee is 200 TL. Detailed information is provided in Article 8 of the Competition Brief.*

Q12a. Hello, good luck. There's no indication on the project sheets that the drawings should be to scale. Can we scale the drawings to the desired size?

Q12b. Also, do all sectional plan drawings, which help understand the architectural project, need to be included on the sheet?

A12. *Sheet design is left to the participant; therefore, submitting technical drawings at different scales is not a problem. Participants may also make minor revisions and changes to the project drawings included on the sheet. Participation in the competition requires the studio director's approval. Therefore, any changes or additions to your project's design will result in the studio director's disapproval.*

Q13. I'm X, currently a third-year student in the X Department of Architecture. I'm considering participating in your competition with my second-year projects from my previous studies at University Y. Is it possible for me to apply with these projects?

A13. *Yes, you can. However, since the project has been conducted at your former university, you must obtain approval from your studio instructor there. Therefore, you must participate under the institution name of your former university.*

Q14. Hello! I studied with Erasmus for the spring semester 2024-2025 at X University at the Department of architecture. During that period i developed a project that my teacher advisor Y encouraged me to apply for Mimed Competition. Currently i came back to my home country to study because my Erasmus program has ended, but the project that i want to apply with is from when i studied in Turkey at X University on spring semester 2024-2025. Is it still possible to apply?

A14. *As stated in Article 3 of the Competition Brief, the competition is open to all undergraduate students enrolled in architecture departments of faculties of architecture, etc., in the Republic of Turkey and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. Therefore, even if you completed your project at a school in Turkey, you cannot participate in the competition.*

Q15a. Hello, the mimedprojects.com website you specified in the specifications for digital submissions to the competition is down. This link hasn't been activated yet. Will it be activated later, or will digital submissions be made through a different address? I remember submitting to this site before, but all your links point to the same address, and the submission process is a bit confusing.

Q15b. Another question: The specifications state that we need to register to submit digital sheets, but when you click the membership link, there's only a Word document. The details of where to send this document and how to register are unclear. How do we register as students to submit sheets to the competition? All your links point to the same places. Thank you.

A15a. *Due to technical issues, the site was down for the first few days. mimedprojects.com has been reactivated as of today. You can upload your submission without any problem now.*

A15b. *After completing the form, you must upload it to the designated tab on mimedprojects.com.*

Q16. I graduated from the architecture department last July. Even though I'm not an undergraduate student, is it possible for me to enter the competition with my 2024-2025 fourth-year fall semester project? (It is not my graduation project.)

A16. *Yes, you can enter the competition with a project you created during your fourth-year fall semester, before graduating.*

Q17. I would like to inquire about a topic related to the MİMED 2025 competition. Is it mandatory for the text on the posters submitted as part of the application to be solely in Turkish, or can English expressions be used in addition to Turkish in the documents?

A17. *It is not a problem for your boards to contain either Turkish or English text. However, as stated in the diagrams on page 5 of the Competition Brief: A description in both Turkish and English must be written within a 10cm strip at the bottom of the first page of both digital and printed submissions.*