The advanced class aims to improve the students’ reading skills of manuscript and archival sources from different centuries. The students will be familiarized with different scripts and discuss peculiarities of diverse sources with respect to their scripts, contents, diplomatics and characteristic features. They will also tackle with difficult Ottoman syntax examples from different sources.

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**Week 1**
- Introduction
- Transliteration principles, dictionaries, reference works
- Ottoman syntax-examples

**Week 2**
- Ottoman inscriptions
- Ottoman chronicles – examples written in talik

**Week 3**
- Sufi texts
- Texts from the period of Old Anatolian Turkish

**Week 4**
- Texts from Ottoman court records (*sicill*) and fetva
- Literary texts, translated texts from Persian — examples written in nesih

**Week 5**
- Imperial rescripts written in divani
- Examples of state documents and correspondence

**Week 6**
- Official documents from the 19th century
- Letters, personal documents – examples written in rika