

Nourishing Equity



Short Name

NEYSA

Formal Name

Nourishing Equity: A Youth-Led
Citizen Science Initiative Mapping
Food Security Across Anatolia

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Co-creating food security data
with students to build fairer
futures



Summary

Nourishing Equity: A Youth-Led Citizen Science Initiative Mapping Food Security Across Anatolia (NEYSA) investigates how regional differences affect university students' access to affordable, nutritious food.

Through a participatory model, 90 student citizen scientists across Ankara, İzmir, and Ordu will gather data on dietary habits, food spending, and price fluctuations in university canteens. The project equips students with skills in ethical research, data collection, and analysis while positioning them as active contributors to institutional and national policy conversations. Deliverables include a regional disparities report, policy briefs, an open-access dataset, and public dissemination events.

NEYSA centres lived experience as evidence and connects local observations to structural discussions on food access. It aims to make food insecurity visible, actionable, and solvable through youth engagement, data transparency, and multi-stakeholder dialogue.