

## **ANKARA UNIVERSITY**

### **DIRECTIVE ON THE ADMISSION OF STUDENTS FROM ABROAD**

#### **Objective**

**ARTICLE 1** – The objective of this Directive is to regulate the procedures and principles regarding the admission of students to Ankara University, and the liabilities of such students.

#### **Grounds**

**ARTICLE 2** – This Directive has been prepared within the scope of Law no. 2922 pursuant to the Higher Education General Assembly Decision dated 21/01/2010.

#### **Definitions**

**ARTICLE 3** – Wherever the following terms appear in this document, they shall hereinafter be referred to as:

- a) Relevant Field/Department/Art Major: Any faculty/conservatory/school/field/art major/department under the administration of Ankara University,
- b) Relevant Administrative Board: Faculty board at faculties, conservatory board at the conservatory and school board at schools,
- c) Rector: The Rector of Ankara University,
- d) University: Ankara University,
- e) TRNC: Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus,
- f) MEB: Ministry of National Education,
- g) MOBİS: International Schools Data Processing System,
- h) TR-YÖS: Turkey International Student Admission Examination,
- i) YÖKSİS: Higher Education Information System.

#### **Execution Calendar**

**ARTICLE 4** – At the start of every academic year, the University sets the quota for international students for the following year to be submitted to the Directorate of the Higher Education Council, prepares an execution calendar within this framework, and announces this calendar at the beginning of every academic year. Information regarding the registered students is entered into YÖKSİS.

## **Determination of programs to accept students and their quota**

**ARTICLE 5** – Faculties, conservatories and schools which wish to accept international students may recommend quotas for daytime education, evening education or distant education in associate and undergraduate programs.

Upon the recommendation of the relevant science/art/department administrative board and the approval of the University Board of Administration, information regarding the number of students to be accepted to the said programs is sent to the Council of Higher Education.

## **Application Requirements**

### **ARTICLE 6**

**A)** Applicants who meet the following criteria can apply under the international student quota on condition that applicants are in their final year of high school or have graduated:

**1)** Foreign nationals (Unless currently receiving or having received education / having graduated from Turkish high schools, [Except for foreign nationals having completed their entire high school education in international private education institutions included in the MOBİS system / the embassy schools and foreign nationals coming to our country within the framework of projects carried out by the Ministry of National Education or the Council of Higher Education.] )

**2)** Those who were Turkish citizens by birth and lost their Turkish citizenship by obtaining permission to renounce Turkish citizenship from the Ministry of Interior, as well as those who can document that they hold a blue card issued upon request to persons who have lost their Turkish citizenship (provided that they have not attended / graduated from secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey and the TRNC) (It is recommended that candidates who will apply for admission quotas from abroad review Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901.)

**3)** Former foreign nationals who later acquired Turkish citizenship or dual nationals (provided that they have not attended / graduated from secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey and the TRNC)

**4)** Those with a Turkish nationality and have completed their entire secondary education (high school) in a foreign country other than the TRNC (including those who have completed their entire secondary education [high school] at Turkish schools established under the Ministry of National Education in a foreign country other than the TRNC

**5)** TRNC nationals (provided that they have not attended / graduated from high schools in

Turkey or from high schools in the TRNC that follow the Turkish curriculum) and who meet the criteria of GCE AL, TR-YÖS, or the criteria specified in the application and admission guidelines of higher education institutions approved by the Council of Higher Education.

B) The following applicants cannot apply under the international student quota:

1. Turkish citizens who completed the entirety of their high school education in Turkey or TRNC,
2. Those who are TRNC citizens / dual citizens with one of their citizenships being TRNC and who have attended / graduated from high schools in Turkey or from high schools in the TRNC that follow the Turkish curriculum,
3. Dual citizens whose first citizenship by birth is the Republic of Turkey, as defined in Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901 (except those who meet the conditions specified in paragraph 4 of sub-article (a))
4. Dual citizens whose first citizenship by birth is the Republic of Turkey, as defined in Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901, or those holding Turkish citizenship, who have studied at schools within embassies in Turkey or at foreign high schools located in Turkey
5. a) TRNC citizens and those who have renounced Turkish citizenship / Blue Card holders who are currently attending / have graduated from secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey and the TRNC  
  
b) Foreign nationals who are currently attending / have graduated from secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey (except for foreign nationals who have completed their entire high school education at embassy schools / international private educational institutions registered in the MOBİS system, and foreign nationals who have come to our country within the framework of projects carried out by the Ministry of National Education or the Council of Higher Education)

### The examinations to be used for the evaluation of applicants

**ARTICLE 7 - 1)** Applicants are required to obtain the following grades in order to apply for the following programs:

a) TR-YÖS

|                                                  |          |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Medicine                                         | min. 440 |
| Medicine (English)                               |          |
| Dentistry                                        |          |
| Dentistry (English)                              |          |
| Computer Engineering                             |          |
| Computer Engineering (English)                   |          |
| Electrical and Electronics Engineering (English) |          |
| Artificial Intelligence and Data Engineering     |          |
| Software Engineering                             |          |
| Pharmacy                                         | min. 400 |
| Pharmacy (English)                               |          |
| Biomedical Engineering (English)                 |          |
| Civil Engineering                                | min. 300 |
| Midwifery                                        |          |
| Nursing                                          |          |
| Law                                              | min. 275 |
| Law (English)                                    |          |
| Veterinary Medicine                              |          |
| Veterinary Medicine (English)                    |          |
| Physics Engineering (English)                    |          |
| Food Engineering (English)                       |          |
| Geophysics Engineering (English)                 |          |
| Geology Engineering (English)                    |          |
| Chemistry Engineering (English)                  |          |

2) In order to apply for programs other than the ones listed in the first paragraph of the same article, the candidates are required to meet the following conditions:

- a) 200 points out of 500 points in TR-YÖS,
- b) Minimum 4 points in Germany ABITUR Exam,
- c) Minimum 30 as the diploma grade on the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma,
- d) For GCE (A Level) and Cambridge International A Level exams, applying to the program requires at least an A grade in one of the subjects relevant to the program, with two A Levels; additionally, the A Level grades are scored as follows: A\*=140, A=120, B=100, C=80, and for AS (Advanced Subsidiary Level) grades in subjects different from the A Level subjects, half of these points are awarded, requiring a minimum total score of 320.
- e) Minimum 400 points out of 700 in the relevant program in the central university entrance exam (TQDK / DİM) given in Azerbaijan,
- f) To have scored at least a B2 level in six subjects (areas), including at least one subject relevant to the program applied for, in the West African Examination Council West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) (WAEC) exams.
- g) In addition to meeting admission requirements, the applicants who apply for departments or programs which admit students in accordance with the special talent examination must also succeed in the special talent examination which will be held by the Faculty/Conservatory/School.
- h) To have scored at least 1100 in total and 650 in Mathematics (Mathematic score is to be evaluated in the placement process) in SAT (Scholastic Assessment test).
- i) A minimum score of 200 out of 250 required in the National General Test (ORT) carried out in Kyrgyzstan.
- j) High School Diploma/Certificate: Minimum 80/100 GPA or above required. General high school diplomas/certificates (excluding the diplomas/certificates obtained from Türkiye's Ministry of National Education) are used for the assessment of vacant quotas once the placement procedure as per specified examination results is completed.

### **The validity period of exams to be used for student admission**

**ARTICLE 8** - Repealed article.

### **Transfer of vacant quotas to other programs**

**ARTICLE 9** – In the event that there are no applications for available quotas or the quotas are not filled, the University may ask for the addition of these quotas (excluding Law, Medicine, Teaching, Dentistry and Pharmacy programs) to other programs' quotas within the

scope of the relevant regulations.

## **Application**

**ARTICLE 10** – Date of application, documents required for application and instructions are announced at Ankara University Directorate of Student Affairs Department web page. Applications are made online within the given dates on the International Student Admission Application System.

## **Evaluation of Applications**

**ARTICLE 11 - (1) (Amendment: 25.03.2024-626/5851)** During the evaluation of applications to our international student quotas, applicants are listed according to their scores and dates of birth, and placement in the preferred program is made. A maximum of 10% of the quota can be allocated to the same nationality.

In the event that there are vacant quotas following placement and registration within the scope of international student admission quotas and after additional placements have been made, the evaluation procedures are followed respectively. Applications which are made as per the types of exams given in Article 7 of this directive are evaluated.

a) In the event that there are vacant quotas following placement, the remaining applications are evaluated in accordance with the order of scores without taking the country quota into consideration.

b) Before the academic year begins, additional placements according to high school graduation degrees can be made in the vacant quotas in programs deemed convenient by our University senate.

(2) Applications are not evaluated in the following cases:

a) Applications of candidates who have submitted two applications are not evaluated.

b) Applications of those who have made a false declaration are not evaluated.

(3) By signing the letter of undertaking at the end of the application, the applicant is deemed to have accepted all legal responsibilities.

(4) Applications should be made by the applicants individually, and applications made by an institution, organization (third parties) and a third person are not evaluated.

(5) In the event that the quota is not filled in accordance with the specified examination types (excluding the programs set forth in Article 7, Paragraph 1(a) of the same directive), applications submitted on the basis of the general high school diploma score shall be evaluated.

## **Announcement of results**

**ARTICLE 12** – On the date of the announcement of results as stated in the application announcement, students can log in to the application system by entering their info (user name, password) and learn the result of their placement.

## **Determination of tuition fees**

**ARTICLE 13** – Tuition fees to be collected from international students every year are determined by the University Board of Administration' Verdict in accordance with the minimum and maximum amounts to be set within the scope of the relevant regulation.

## **Financial security amount to be sought in applicants who have earned the right to be placed in programs in our University**

**ARTICLE 14** – The applicants who will register in the relevant programs are required to sign and submit the “Financial Security Declaration Form” indicating that they have sufficient financial security to sustain their education and provide for themselves for the duration of their time in Turkey Preparation of a letter of acceptance or an equivalent document

**ARTICLE 15** – The applicants receive the placement result document over the application system bearing a verification code and an ID number.

### **Registration**

**ARTICLE 16** - a) Registrations are carried out at the place and on the date announced on the website by the Directorate of Student Affairs every year. Registration will not be carried out for those who have failed to complete the procedures for registration, and those who do not have all the documents listed in the announcement on the announced date of registration.

b) In the event that the originals of the required documents for registration are not in Turkish, notarised originals of the translations translated by a sworn translator are required.

### **Determination of the level of Turkish**

**ARTICLE 17** – Students coming from abroad are required to prove their level of Turkish proficiency with a C1 diploma from Ankara University’s Turkish and Foreign Language Research and Application Center (TÖMER), a Turkish Proficiency Certificate obtained from the Yunus Emre Institute at a minimum of C1 level, or a Turkish Proficiency Certificate obtained at a minimum of C1 level from the Electronic Exam of Turkish as a Foreign Language (e-YDTS) administered by ÖSYM. Students who fail to submit the diploma or the language certificate in question are given one-year deadline; an additional year is given to those who still cannot prove their proficiency in Turkish at the end of this year. Should they are still unable to demonstrate a C1 level of Turkish at the end of this additional year, they will be dismissed.

Foreign students who are placed in programs within the scope of Turkey scholarships are not subjected to the above-mentioned. Students whose scholarships are terminated but who would like to continue their education using their own resources can benefit from an additional period.

These terms are not sought for the graduates of secondary education institutions affiliated to the MEB in Turkey and abroad, TRNC citizens who have graduated from TRNC high schools, Turkish citizens who have graduated from TRNC high schools, and when admitting students to programs where the courses are taught in only one specific foreign language.

### **Miscellaneous**

**ARTICLE 18** - For situations that are not covered by this Directive, the “Principles Regarding the Admission of Students from Abroad” set by the Higher Education Council, “Ankara University Associate and Undergraduate Education and Teaching Regulation”, “Ankara University Foreign Language Education and Teaching Regulation”, University



Board of Administration's Decisions and Senate Decisions are executed.

## **Repealed Directive**

**ARTICLE 19** - The Directive which entered into effect with the Senate Decision dated 05/08/2022 No.588/5391 on “Directive on the Admission of Students from Abroad to Ankara University” has been repealed.

## **Validity**

**ARTICLE 20** - This Directive is effective as of the date it is approved by the University Senate.

## **Implementation**

**ARTICLE 21** - The provisions of this directive are implemented by the Rector.

| <b>Date of Directive Passing by Senate Assembly and Assembly/Verdict Number</b> |            |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|
| 06.01.2023                                                                      |            | 593/5510 |
| <b>Date of Directive Amendment Senate Assembly and Assembly/Verdict Number</b>  |            |          |
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| <b>2</b>                                                                        | 23.05.2024 | 630/5882 |
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