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348-2**DIRECTIVE****KARADENİZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY**
DIRECTIVE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION**SECTION ONE**
Preliminary Provision**Objective**

ARTICLE 1- (1) The objective of this Directive is to regulate the procedures and principles of the application, admission, and registration procedures of international students regarding the quotas determined every year for the associate, undergraduate, and graduate programs of Karadeniz Technical University.

Scope

ARTICLE 2- (1) This Directive covers the principles of application criteria, quotas, evaluation, and registration for international student admission, excluding those accepted as scholarship holders by bilateral agreements and the Government of the Republic of Türkiye at Karadeniz Technical University.

Basis

ARTICLE 3- (1) This Directive is based on the Principles for International Student Admission of the Council of Higher Education, Law No.6287, Item. 14/f, published in the Official Journal No. 28261, issued on 11.04.2012.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4- (1) In this Directive;

- a) **University:** Refers to Karadeniz Technical University,
- b) **Rectorate:** Refers to the Rectorate of Karadeniz Technical University,
- c) **Senate:** Refers to the Senate of Karadeniz Technical University,
- ç) **Related Administrative Board:** Refers to the administrative boards of institutes, faculties, schools, and vocational schools that admit international students' admissions,
- d) **OSYM:** Refers to the Centre for Assessment, Selection, and Placement,
- e) **KKTC:** Refers to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus,
- f) **TR-YOS:** Refers to the Exam for Foreign Students for Higher Education in Türkiye

SECTION TWO
Quotas, Application Criteria, Placement, and Registration
for Associate and Bachelor's Degrees

Quotas

ARTICLE 5- (1) Quotas for Associate and Bachelor's degrees for international student admissions, submission of the Related Administrative Board, and proposal of university Senate are notified to the Council of Higher Education.

(2) Data of quotas approved by the university Senate is entered into YOKSIS (Higher Education Information System). Then, the quotas are determined by the Council of Higher Education and included in the Guide for International Student Admission. The calendar for the Guide is specified by the OSYM presidency.

(3) If the quota allocated to any of the associate degree and undergraduate programs remains empty, this quota can be transferred to other programs within the relevant faculty / college / vocational school programs in which the program is located, except for medicine, dentistry and pharmacy programs, and for other programs by the decision of the University Board of Directors. It is not necessary to fill the entire announced quota.

(4) Tuition fees to be collected each year from students admitted to the university from abroad are determined by the University's Board of Directors within the minimum and maximum amounts determined by the Presidency.

Application Criteria

ARTICLE 6- (1) In the application conditions;

a) Applicants, on condition that they are either in the last year of their high school education or have completed it, who

1) are foreign nationals studying at Turkish high schools (providing the condition that they registered before the 2022-2023 Academic Year) - (excluding embassy schools, international private education institutions in the MOBIS system, and foreign nationals attending secondary education schools in Türkiye as part of projects carried out by the Turkish Ministry of National Education),

2) originally had Turkish nationality by birth, but have given up their nationality upon the approval of the Turkish Ministry of Domestic Affairs, and those who certify that they have been issued a blue card upon their request, which is given to those who have lost their Turkish citizenship upon their request before the 2022-2023 Academic Year, (2022-2023 Education and training of those studying at secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey provided that they registered before the academic year) (Turkish Citizenship No. 5901 In Article 7 of the Law "(1) a Turkish citizen inside or outside Turkey is a parent or the child born from the father in a marital union is a Turkish citizen." there is a judgment and, the Law on the Turkish Citizenship of candidates who will apply for admission quotas from abroad there are benefits in their reviews.)

3) Citizenship of the Republic of Turkey with citizenship acquired later while a foreign citizen those who have passed / dual nationals in this situation (in secondary education (high school) institutions in Turkey students must have registered before the 2022-2023 academic and academic year provided)

4) hold Turkish citizenship and have completed their high school education in high schools abroad including graduates of Turkish schools opened by the Ministry of National Education abroad (except the TRNC) on the condition that they pursued their high school education abroad before February 1, 2013, and have completed the last three years of their high school education abroad (except the TRNC),

5) hold TRNC citizenship and reside in the TRNC and have completed secondary education (high school) in the TRNC and have GCEAL exam results, and those who have or will have GCEAL exam results by registering and studying at colleges and high schools in other countries between 2005-2010.

b) Applicants will not be evaluated who

1) hold Turkish citizenship and have completed their high school education in Türkiye or TRNC,

2) hold TRNC citizenship (except for those who have completed their entire high school education in a GCE AL system in TRNC, and those who have registered and completed/will complete their high school education in a GCE AL system abroad between 2005-2010),

3) Dual nationals whose first nationality is acquired by birth, as defined in item a/2, (except those who meet the conditions specified in item a/4,)

4) hold dual citizenship (one of which is of T.R.N.C)- (except for those who have completed their entire high school education in a GCE AL system in TRNC, and those who have registered and completed/will complete their high school education in a GCE AL system abroad between 2005-2010),

5) hold Turkish citizenship by birth and dual-citizenship specified in Item. 2/a, and complete their high school education in institutions within an embassy or other foreign institution in Türkiye,

6) Applications of TRNC citizens and those who have renounced Turkish citizenship / Blue Cards and foreign nationals who will enroll in secondary education institutions in Turkey starting from the 2022-2023 academic year (except embassy schools and International private educational institutions in the MOBIS system, as well as foreign nationals brought to our country within the framework of a project conducted by the Ministry of National Education) are not accepted.

Application for Preferences, Evaluation, and Admission Criteria

ARTICLE 7- (1) Announcements regarding the applications are included on the website of the University and the application process is completed online. Applicants are supposed to upload the necessary document for application online.

(2) The process of evaluation and placement of the applicants is carried out by a committee appointed by the Rectorate at Student Affairs Office.

(3) The priority order in the placements is made according to the exam scores defined in Table-1, A, if there is an empty quota, B, if there is an empty quota, C group.

(4) In case of equality in the placement scores, the high school diploma score (for group A and B) is taken into consideration first. Then, the order of preferences is considered. In case of equality in all circumstances, younger candidates are placed.

(5) The number of candidates from the same country to be admitted to a program cannot exceed 20% of the program quota. In case of additional placement, nationality limit shall not be considered.

(6) There is no validity limitation for the exams which are approved by the CoHE and accepted as equal to high school graduation certificates (Abitur, International Baccalaureate, GCE, Tawjihi, etc.). For the exams which are accepted as university entrance exams (SAT, TR-YOS, etc.), there is a two-year validity.

(7) In case of vacant quotas due to not filling the quotas or not registering despite the placement, additional placement can be made for the vacant quotas in accordance with the third paragraph of Article 5.

(8) Placement results will be announced on the website of the University on the specified date. Candidates are not notified individually.

(9) An acceptance letter is issued for international students who come to our country legally and are admitted by our University.

Registration

ARTICLE 8 – (1) Registration of the students admitted to Karadeniz Technical University is completed on the dates specified in the University academic calendar with the following documents:

a) Exam result document (Turkish sample approved by Turkish Embassy, Consulate, or notary public in their country),

b) High school diploma and transcript (Turkish copy from the Turkish Embassy, Consulate, or notary public in their country),

c) Equivalency certificate indicating that a high school education equivalent to Turkish high schools has been completed (the equivalence process should be carried out by the Turkish Embassy or Consulate in their country or by the Ministry of National Education),

- ç) Free Student (Annotated) Passport (a copy in the Turkish language approved by the Turkish Embassy or Consulate in their country),
- d) Photograph (4,5x6 size, taken within the last six months and biometrically),
- e) An internationally valid document proving that the student has the financial means to continue university education,
- f) A Turkish Language Certificate (graduates of the high schools of the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Türkiye will not document Turkish language level)
- g) Certificate of Identity Register Copy (with family members) – (for the citizens of Türkiye and the T.R.N.C),
- ğ) A copy of passport and Certificate of Identity Register taken from the Directorate of Civil Registration) (for dual citizens who are Turkish by birth),
- (2) In case of any missing or inaccurate information in the documents given during the application process, the registration will not be admitted regardless of the stage.
- (3) Students who do not pay the tuition fee for four consecutive semesters or do not register for courses are dismissed from the University.

Turkish Language Proficiency

ARTICLE 9– (1) Students accepted to the university programs with the Turkish language as the language of instruction, must certify their Turkish language proficiency to begin their education. The Turkish language proficiency levels accepted by the University are shown in the table below:

Turkish Language Proficiency	Scores	Explanation
C2	90-100	Students with B2, C1, and C2 Turkish language proficiency levels are considered qualified enough for students to begin studies in Associate or Bachelor's Degree programs.
C1	80-89	
B2	65-79	
B1	50-64	Students with A1, A2, and B1 Turkish language proficiency levels are considered qualified enough for students to begin studies in Associate or Bachelor's Degree programs.
A2	30-49	
A1	0-29	Students shall begin studies in Associate or Bachelor's Degree programs regarding Item.3

(2) Documents to certify the Turkish language proficiency levels can be the "Certificate of Turkish Language Proficiency" by KTU TOMER (Karadeniz Technical University Turkish Language Teaching, Application, and Research Center), TOMER certificates of other universities or Yunus Emre Institute's TKS (Turkish Proficiency Exam). Students with B2, C1, and C2 levels will begin their studies in the programs they enrol in.

(3) Students who enrol in the programs with a B2 Turkish level must document that they have increased their Turkish level to C1 or C2 level by the beginning of the third academic year at the latest. Those who cannot increase their Turkish level to C1 or C2 level until the beginning of the third academic year at the latest cannot continue their education until they increase their language level to C1 or C2 level.

(4) Students who do not have a Turkish Language Proficiency certificate or whose Turkish level is A1, A2, and B1 cannot start their education. These students are considered to be on leave for one year to receive Turkish preparatory education. During this period, students are supposed to learn Turkish. Students who prove a sufficient level of Turkish according to the second and third paragraphs of this article can start their education in the program they are placed in.

(5) Students who enrol in university programs with a mixed language of instruction (Turkish and a certain foreign language) are given an additional year to take Turkish language training after their foreign language preparatory education. Students who exceed two years to complete their Turkish language and foreign language training will be deregistered.

(6) Students are obliged to submit their Turkish language proficiency documents to the Student Affairs Office before the course registration dates specified in the academic calendar.

(7) For those, who have completed their high school education in a school in Türkiye or completed their education at a Turkish high school abroad, any Turkish Proficiency Certificate is not required.

Foreign Language Education

ARTICLE 10- (1) For those who enroll in programs with a mixed language of instruction (Turkish and a certain foreign language), the provisions of the Karadeniz Technical University Directive for School of Foreign Languages Application Regulation, adopted by the Senate No. 331 on 02.08.2022, are implemented.

SECTION THREE Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

Student Rights

ARTICLE 11- (1) International students have the same responsibilities as other Turkish citizen students. They can benefit from classrooms, education departments such as the library, and all kinds of social facilities the university offers. The provisions of the legislation on education are also valid for international students.

Financial Provisions

ARTICLE 12- (1) The amount of education fee to be paid for each year for international students who study by their own means or whose scholarships are terminated is determined by the Administrative Board of the University before the academic year starts within the framework of the principles determined by the Council of Ministers. International students who are entitled to study at the university pay the education fee determined for the academic year they are registered. If the student leaves voluntarily or is deregistered for any other reason, the fees paid to the University are not refunded.

(2) Except for the provisions stipulated in the relevant legislation, students who enrol in the university within the scope of accepting students from abroad are not provided with any support such as cash, dormitories, stationery, meals , etc.

(3) Students can apply for optional insurance to the Social Security Institution within three months from the date of their first registration to the programs they are accepted to. Students who do not apply to the Social Security Institution within this period will not be registered for general health insurance again during their education.

Legal Clauses

ARTICLE 13- (1) For the Legal Clauses in this Directive; relevant legislative provisions, decisions, and circulars of the Council of Higher Education, and decisions of Karadeniz Technical University's Senate are implemented.

Repealed Regulation

ARTICLE 14- (1) The Directive for International Student Admission, which was accepted with the Decision 338/3 of the Karadeniz Technical University Senate, dated 23.05.2023, has been repealed.

PROVISIONAL ARTICLE 1- (1) Students who have enrolled in accordance with the provisions of the Directive of International Student Admission to accepted by the University Senate's Decision 338/3, dated 23.05.2023 can continue to benefit from the provisions in favour of the abrogated Directive until they graduate.

Validness

ARTICLE 15- (1) This Directive comes into force on the date it is accepted by the Karadeniz Technical University Senate to be implemented from the 2024-2025 academic year on.

Execution

ARTICLE 16- (1) The provisions of this Directive shall be executed by the University Rector.

Abbreviations:

SAT: Refers to Scholastic Aptitude Test which is an international exam for students all around the world to study in the USA,

GCE: Refers to the General Certificate of Education, which is an exam to study in the UK,

ACT: Refers to American College Testing which is a standard test to study college in the USA,

ABITUR: Refers to a matriculation test conducted in Germany,

IB: Refers to the International Baccalaureate exam,

TAWJIHI: Refers to an exam to study at the universities in Jordan,

GROUP	EXAM / DIPLOMA	CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS
A	TRYOS	At least 220
B	SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test)	At least 500 in Maths At least 1000 in Total
	ACT (American College Test)	At least 21 for Science Reasoning, Math, and Total
C	High School Diploma Score - National/International High School Graduation Exams (Baccalaureate) - National/International Secondary Education General Grade Point Average	At least 60% of the Total Score

