

YALOVA UNIVERSITY DIRECTIVE FOR ADMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

PART ONE

Aim, Scope, Basis and Definitions

Aim

Article 1 – (1) The aim of this directive is to lay down the principles for admissions of international students to associate and bachelor's degrees at Yalova University.

Scope

Article 2- (1) This directive is comprised of the terms to be applied for international students who want to study at associate degree and bachelor's degree levels at Yalova University in accordance with available quotas.

Basis

Article 3- (1) This directive is regulated within the framework of the Principles Regarding the Admission of International Students, approved in General Meeting of Council of Higher Education dated 01.02.2013.

Definitions

Article 4- (1) Stated in this directive as follows:

- a) **Unit:** Related faculty, college and vocational school,
- b) **Unit Committee:** Faculty committee in faculties, college committee in colleges, vocational school committee in vocational schools,
- c) **Faculty:** Faculties of Yalova University,
- ç) **TRNC:** The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus,
- d) **Vocational School:** Vocational schools of Yalova University,
- e) **Rector:** The rector of Yalova University,

f) Senate: The senate of Yalova University,

g) T.R.: The Republic of Turkey

h) TÖMER: Turkish Language Teaching Application and Research Centre, (Türkçe Öğretimi Uygulama ve Araştırma Merkezi)

j) University: Yalova University,

k) College: Colleges at Yalova University

PART TWO

General Principles, Application and Evaluation Procedure, Medium of Instruction, Announcement of Results, Registration, Responsibilities of Foreign Students

General Principles

Article 5 –(1) Eligible candidates to apply who are required to be graduates or in the final year of their education:

a)those who are foreign nationals,

b)those who are native-born Turkish nationals who have ceased to be a citizen by courtesy of the Ministry of Interior and their minor children registered in the document of expatriation, provided that they can certify that they hold the official document for the use of rights defined in the Turkish Citizenship Law (who are subject to Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law no. 5901), (1) A child born within marriage to a mother or father with Turkish citizenship either within or outside Turkey is a Turkish citizen.”, applicants for international student admissions should examine the Turkish Citizenship laws),

c) those who are native-born foreigners that have become Turkish citizens afterwards / dual nationality holders in the same situation,

d1) those who are Turkish citizens but had the last 3 years of their secondary education (high school) in a country other than the TRNC and continue their education before 01/02/2013 (including those who had all of their secondary education (high school) at a Turkish school by founded MEB other than in the TRNC),

d2)those who are Turkish citizens but had all of their secondary education (high school) in a country other than the TRNC and start their education after 01/02/2013 (including those who had all of their secondary education (high school) at a Turkish school by founded MEB other than in the TRNC),

e)those who are nationals of TRNC residing in TRNC, and completed their high school education in TRNC and took the GCE-AL exam, and also those registered and received education at colleges and high schools in another country between 2005 and 2010 and took the GCE-AL exam,
will be accepted.

(2)The candidates whose applications will not be accepted are:

a) those who are TRNC nationals (excluding those that had their entire high school education in TRNC and took the GCE-AL exam and received education at colleges and high schools in another country between 2005-2010 and took the GCE-AL exam),

b) those who are Turkish nationals and completed their entire high school education in Turkey or TRNC,

c)those who hold dual nationality, the first of which is Turkish by birth, as defined in article 5 subsection 1 paragraph (c), (except those who completed their high school education in a foreign country other than TRNC and those who completed their high school education in a Turkish school in a foreign country other than TRNC),

ç) those who have dual nationality, one of which is TRNC, (excluding those that had their entire high school education in TRNC and took the GCE-AL exam and received education at colleges and high schools in another country between 2005-2010 and took the GCE-AL exam),

d) those who are Turkish nationals and have had their high school education in schools affiliated to the embassies in Turkey and foreign high schools in Turkey, or those stated in article 5 subsection 1 paragraph (c), Turkish citizens by birth with dual citizenship,

Application

Article 6–(1) Announcements concerning applications are announced on the university website <http://www.yalova.edu.tr> each year in June. Applications are made in Student Affairs Office at Rectorate within due dates in July. The accepted candidates without Turkish proficiency are supposed

to take Turkish Proficiency Exam of our university or to have Turkish Proficiency Document (TYB) which is issued by Turkish Language Teaching Research and Application Centre (TÖMER) in Turkey or its offices abroad. The score received from Turkish Proficiency Exam is not taken into consideration at the evaluation stage.

(2) At the time of application, a result of any exam given in Appendix 1 must be submitted.

(3) On acceptance of international students, the exams used in evaluation of applications and approved by Higher Education Council (YÖK) (Abitur, International Baccalaureate, GCE etc.) have no validity time limit; however, international exams such as SAT, etc. (which are equivalent to the status of university entrance exam) are valid for 2 years.

(4) The quotas for acceptance of international students are determined by taking into account of the unit committee decision and without exceeding 35% of quotas stated in ÖSYS handbook of higher education programs.

Evaluation of applications

Article 7- (1) The evaluation of applications and placement of candidates are completely carried out by the university. The university is free to fill the quota or not. Providing the application requirements is not sufficient to be accepted for placement. While converting the evaluation scores, the Conversion Table for International Exams, which was prepared by our university, is taken into consideration. The evaluation is carried out on the basis of University according to student's score and preference order. Starting from the candidate who has the highest score, primary candidates are placed in accordance with their preference orders. Substitutes are determined in terms of student's score and preference order without exceeding quotas for each department.

(2) The candidates who are placed as primary or substitute to one of their preferences at the end of the evaluation and the candidates' other preferences are not taken into consideration.

(3) The Turkish Proficiency Test is given to the students having insufficient Turkish level. The test is carried out by our university or Turkish Language Teaching Research and Application Centre (TÖMER) in Turkey or any office abroad. Turkish Proficiency Exam results are graded as follows: the score between 80-100 is level C, the score between 60-79 is level B, and the score between 0-59 is level A.

Level C: Turkish level is sufficient. The student can start education.

Level B: The student's Turkish level can be improved in a short time. The student can start education.

Level A: Turkish level is insufficient. Students start education after taking one year Turkish preparatory class and having sufficient score for their education from Turkish Language Teaching Research and Application Centre (TÖMER) in Turkey or any office abroad. They are supposed to improve their Turkish level at least up to Level B, as specified in this directive.

(4) Eligible candidates to register need to have a sufficient Turkish level. Those whose Turkish level is insufficient are supposed to improve their Turkish level in two years. The candidates who do not have these conditions (providing at least level B) lose the right of being a student at Yalova University.

(5) The candidates who are placed in departments of the university whose medium of instruction is entirely in a foreign language can start education if they have Turkish level B or A.

Medium of Instruction

Article 8- (1) The medium of instruction at Yalova University is Turkish, English and Arabic.

Announcement of Results

Article 9 - (1) The results are announced on the university's web page. The acceptance letters are written by the university to the primary candidates and substitutes who have gained the right of being a student at Yalova University. The candidates are required to obtain "Student Visa" from the nearest

Turkish Embassy or in the student's own country with this acceptance letter. This visa is essential to enter Turkey and enroll in the university.

Registration

Article 10 - (1) The registrations are to be carried out by Student Affairs Office.

(2) The documents required for registration;

- a) The original version of Equivalency Certificate for the high schools granted by the Turkish Ministry of Education, showing the equivalency of the applicant's diploma to Turkish diplomas,
- b) The original version of High School Diploma and its translated version certified by Turkish Embassy or Consulate in students' own countries,
- c) The original version of transcript and its approved translation certified by Turkish Embassy or Consulate in students' own countries,
- ç) The original version of related exam result and its translated version certified by Turkish Embassy or Consulate of students in students' own countries,
- d) The photocopy of official identity card or the pages of passport showing the identity information approved by Turkish Embassy or Consulate in students' own countries,
- e) Bank receipt showing the payment of the student's tuition fee (The tuition is determined annually by Council of Ministers and university on the condition that it is between minimum and maximum limit and accepted by Council of Higher Education),
- f) "Student Visa" obtained from Turkish Embassy in the student's own country,

g) 4 headshots,

ğ) Turkish Language Proficiency Certificate,

h) Certificate of identity register copy for students who have dual citizenship (obtained from birth registration office),

i) Certificate of Financial Security (It is the document proving that the candidates can provide their costs of living. The students must afford their cost of living on their own. University neither supports them financially nor helps them find financial support.

(3) The registrations are to be carried out within due dates in academic calendar.

Responsibilities of International Students

ARTICLE 11 - (1) The international students who applied or/and had the right to register are responsible for:

a) giving the documents stated in the application requirements to the relevant unit.

b) informing the university regarding the changes in the personal situations, marital status and educational situations within 15 days.

c) reacquiring residential permit document within 15 days following the expiration date of the residential permit from local police authorities by proving that they continue their education,

ç) applying the relevant authorities immediately, and retaking it within 15 days in case of losing their residential permit document or passport.

d) notifying the university, and local police authorities where they move in and out regarding the changes with their addresses within 48 hours.

PART THREE

Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

Elimination of Uncertainty

Article 13 – (1) In order to eliminate uncertainties that may arise during implementation of this regulation, the related legislation provisions and decisions made by University Administration Board and Senate are carried out.

Repealed Directive

Article 14 – “Yalova University Directive For Admission Of International Students” which was approved by University Senate dated 17/12/2013, and numbered 77 is repealed.

Enforcement

Article 15 – (1) This directive comes into force dating from its acceptance by the Senate of Yalova University.

Execution

ARTICLE 16 – (1) The provisions of this directive shall be executed by the Rector of Yalova University.

APPENDIX 1 - REQUIRED EXAM SCORES FOR ADMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS				
Name of Exam		The Lowest Score	The Highest Score	Type of Exam and Period of Validity
ABITUR (German Baccalaureate)		4	1	High school graduation exam (Non-expiring)
ACT(American College Testing) Fields of Math and Science		20	36	University Entrance Exam (valid for two years)
SAT(Scholastic Aptitude Test)	Total score	1000	1600	University Entrance Exam (valid for two years)
	Math score	500	800	
GCE A Level (General Certificate Education) The scores at least in 2 subjects, at least either of which must be relevant to the applied program have to be level A		C	A*	High school graduation exam (Non-expiring)
IB (International Baccalaureate)		28	42	High school graduation exam (Non-expiring)
LYS (The LYS score must be relevant to the applied program)		The score must be equal or higher than the score in previous year		University Entrance Exam (valid for one year)
TÜBİTAK		Having bronze,silver and gold medal in the International Olympics recognized or participated by TÜBİTAK		Non-expiring
AUSTRIA MATURA		4	1	High school graduation exam (Non-expiring)
FRENCH BACCALAUREATE		10	20	High school graduation exam (Non-expiring)
YUNUS EMRE INSTITUTE The entrance exam for foreign students (YÖS) is held by Yunus Emre Institute		60	100	Valid for two years
The entrance exams for foreign students (YÖS) are held by other public universities in Turkey		60	100	Valid for two years
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