

**THE DIRECTIVE FOR THE APPLICATION, ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT
OF FOREIGN STUDENTS TO THE ASSOCIATE/UNDERGRADUATE
PROGRAMS OF ANADOLU UNIVERSITY**

PART ONE

Objective and Scope, Foundation and Definitions

Objective and Scope

ARTICLE 1 – The objective and scope of this Directive is to specify the rules and regulations on the application, admission, and registration procedures for foreign students who wish to apply for admission to the associate/undergraduate degree programs at Anadolu University.

Foundation

ARTICLE 2 – This Directive is based on the decision by the Council of Higher Education Executive Board on Jan 21, 2010 for the admission of foreign students in accordance with the decision on the basis of Articles 3, 4 and 7 of Law No. 2922 regarding “*Principles Regarding Student Admission from Abroad*” and the Higher Education General Assembly decision dated 21.01.2010 described in the 6th, 7th, 14th and 45th articles of the subparagraph (f) of the Higher Education Law No. 2547.

Definitions and Abbreviations

ARTICLE 3 – For the purpose of this Directive, the following descriptions and abbreviations apply:

- a) **ABITUR:** German High School Graduation Exam,
- b) **ACT:** American College Test, American University Entrance Exam,
- c) **Academic Unit:** Anadolu University, Faculties, State Conservatory, Schools and Vocational Schools,
- d) **ANADOLUYOS:** Higher Education Entrance and Placement Exam for the Admission of Foreign Nationals to the Associate/Undergraduate Programs of Anadolu University,
- d) **Apolytirion of Lykeo/Secondary School Leaving Certificate:** Greek diploma grade,
- e) **Department/Program:** Anadolu University Departments/Programs in Faculties, State Conservatory, Schools and Vocational Schools,
- f) **DIPLÔME DU BACCALAUREAT GENERAL:** The exam administered for admission into a university
- h) **GAOKAO:** Chinese University Entrance Exam,
- i) **GCE:** General Certificate of Education, British High School Graduation Exam,
- h) **GCE AL:** General Certificate of Education–Advanced Level Exam, required to study at a university in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC),
- j) **KONKUR:** An exam for university education in Afghanistan (Afghanistan University Entrance Exam),
- k) **MATURA:** Swiss and Austrian University Entrance Exam,
- l) **Rector:** The Rector of Anadolu University,
- m) **SAT 1:** Scholastic Aptitude Test, American University Entrance Exam,
- n) **Senate:** Anadolu University Senate,
- o) **TÖMER:** Turkish Language Teaching Application and Research Center,
- p) **UAN:** An exam for university education in Indonesia (Ujian Akhir Nasional),
- r) **University:** Anadolu University,
- s) **WAEC:** An exam for university education in Nigeria (West African Examination Council),
- t) **Executive Board:** Anadolu University Executive Board

- u) **Foreign Student Evaluation Commission:** The commission consisting of the Dean of the Open Education Faculty, the Head of the Student Affairs Department and the Director of the International Relations Unit under the chairmanship of the Vice Rector responsible for education and instruction,
- v) **Principles of Higher Education Council (YÖK):** "Principles Regarding Student Admission from Abroad" accepted by the Council of Higher Education

PART TWO

General Principles, Application, Exam and Assessment

General principles

ARTICLE 4 – The Senate determines the foreign student admission quotas for every academic year upon the advice of each academic unit.

Anadolu University administers ANADOLUYOS to foreign applicants every year at least once. The scores for this exam are valid for two years. The procedure, content, exam fee, and date of the exam are determined by the Executive Board. However, the applicants may apply for the announced quota without taking the ANADOLUYOS exam, and use their exam scores equivalent to the "High School Diploma Grade" or "High School Graduation Exam Score" or "Higher Education Institutions Exam" stated in the 10th article of this directive. Candidates who have not yet received their diploma must submit an official document showing their grade point averages from their high school and the dates they can graduate in order to be considered for admission.

Other exams administered by the higher education institutions in Turkey to select students from abroad may be accepted provided that the exam result has a verification code on it.

Candidates who have the opportunity to apply for the student admission quotas from abroad in accordance with the principles of YÖK, who are Turkish citizens by birth in accordance with the Turkish Citizenship Law and lose their Turkish citizenship by obtaining permission to renounce Turkish citizenship from the Ministry of Interior, and Candidates who continued their secondary education abroad before 01/02/2013 and completed the last three years of their secondary education (high school) in a foreign country except TRNC or completed their entire high school education in high schools abroad (excluding TRNC high schools) who have dual citizenship and have Turkish citizenship, one of which is Turkish can apply for student admission quotas from abroad providing that they meet the determined criteria. However, the quota determined for these candidates for law, education and pharmacy programs cannot exceed 10% of the quota in these fields.

Different quota rates can be determined according to ANADOLUYÖS or Internationally Valid Exam Results or Diploma Grade. The determined quotas can be distributed according to the country and region to ensure diversity and competition among candidates.

To increase the level of internationalization, cooperation agreements can be signed with other universities, institutions and organizations located both in Turkey and abroad.

Who can apply to ANADOLUYOS?

ARTICLE 5 – The application of graduates or seniors of high school or of equivalent schools who:

- a) are foreign nationals,
- b) 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),

- c) are native-born foreigners that have become a Turkish citizen afterwards/dual nationality holders in the same situation,
- d) * are Turkish nationals, who were a high school student abroad before February 1, 2013, and who have completed last three years of their high school education in a foreign country other than TRNC [including those that have completed their entire high school education at a Turkish school under the Ministry of National Education (MEB) in a foreign country other than TRNC],
* are Turkish nationals, who began their high school education abroad after February 1, 2013, and who have completed their entire high school education in a foreign country other than TRNC [including those that have completed their entire high school education at a Turkish school under the Ministry of National Education (MEB) in a foreign country other than TRNC],
- e) are nationals of TRNC that reside in TRNC, and have completed their high school education in TRNC and have taken the GCE AL exam, and are nationals of TRNC, and registered and received education in a high school in another country between 2005 and 2010 and have taken the GCE AL exam, **will be accepted.**

Who cannot apply to take ANADOLUYOS?

ARTICLE 6 – The application of the foreigners who:

- a) are Turkish nationals and completed the entire high school education in Turkey or TRNC,
- b) are TRNC nationals (excluding those that have had their entire high school education in TRNC and taken the GCE AL exam, and have received education in a high school in another country between 2005 and 2010 and have taken the GCE AL exam),
- c) hold dual nationality, the first of which is Turkish by birth, as defined in paragraph 2 of article 5 (excluding those that meet the conditions stated in paragraph 4 of Article 5),
- d) hold dual nationality, one of which is TRNC (excluding those that have had their entire high school education in TRNC and taken the GCE AL exam, and have received education in a high school in another country between 2005 and 2010 and have taken the GCE AL exam),
- e) are Turkish nationals and have had their high school education in schools affiliated with the embassies in Turkey and foreign high schools in Turkey, or hold dual nationality with the first nationality being Turkish as defined in paragraph 2 of Article 5, **will not be accepted.**

Application for ANADOLUYOS

ARTICLE 7 – Applicants who wish to take the ANADOLUYOS Exam must fill out the online “ANADOLUYOS Application Form” and upload it along with the other necessary documents into system on the University home page. **Postal/in person/e-mail applications without filling out the online application form will not be considered.**

The “ANADOLUYOS Examinee ID Document” will be printed out by the examinee from Anadolu University home page. Applicants must present their “ANADOLUYOS Examinee ID Document” and passport/ID card/official ID card during the exam.

After the application process is completed, the examination center cannot be changed.

If there are not enough candidate applications in the examination centers, candidates applying to these centers will be transferred to one of the other exam centers, or their applications will be canceled and their fees will be paid back.

The candidate cannot take the exam in any place other than the exam room specified in the “ANADOLUYOS Examinee ID Document.”

Exam and Assessment

ARTICLE 8 – The date, time and location of the ANADOLUYOS Exam will be announced in the “Application and Admission Conditions” as stated on the University home page.

ANADOLUYOS has two sections, which are “General Aptitude Exam” and “Turkish Proficiency Exam”. The scores of the sections will be separately calculated. The applicants will access their scores as “ANADOLUYOS General Aptitude Exam Score” and “ANADOLUYOS Turkish Language Exam Score” from the link that will be available on the University home page. The applicants are required to keep a copy of their exam result. After the link is removed from the home page, the University will not issue an exam result document again.

The exam booklet contains Turkish and English explanations about the exam. The applicants must score a minimum of 50 out of 100 in the “General Aptitude Exam” and a minimum score of at least 60 out of 100 in the “Turkish Language Exam” in order to be eligible for registration in Anadolu University on-campus programs. For the Open Education programs, the applicants must score a minimum of 20 out of 100 in the “General Aptitude Exam,” and a minimum score of at least 60 out of 100 in the “Turkish Language Exam”. Those who have qualified to enrol in a program, but fail to meet the Turkish language requirement will follow the rules described in the 12th article of this directive.

If needed, the ANADOLUYOS Exam can be administered in the exam centers abroad.

In disasters, epidemics and similar situations, the exam can be held online in Turkey and abroad.

Anadolu University Computer Center, International Relations Unit, and Registrar’s Office will collaborate on the exam organization and evaluation.

PART THREE

Placement Application, Admission, Quota, Placement in the Programs, Enrollment and Fee

Placement application

ARTICLE 9 – Candidates will apply to the announced quotas with their “ANADOLUYOS Exam Score” document, or their “High School Diploma Grade”, or “High School Graduation Exam Score” or Higher Education Institutions Exam Score document and approved by the Council of Higher Education. Applicants must be graduates of high school or equivalent schools (except for Turkey or TRNC high schools) in order to apply to International Open Education programs.

Other applicants who may apply for a quota application

ARTICLE 10 –(Amended: Senate- 24/01/2020-1/10-a) Higher Education Institutions Exams recognized by the Council of Higher Education;

- a) ACT Exam – A minimum total score of 21 in Science (Science Reasoning), Mathematics, and Composite,
- b) A minimum score of 300 out of 350 from the Afghanistan National University Entrance Exam (KONKUR-Baccalaurea)

- c) A minimum score of 400 out of 700 from the Central University Entrance Exam held by TQDK in Azerbaijan,
- d) A minimum score of 60 out of 100 from Indonesia Ujian Akhir National (UAN),
- e) GAOKAO Exam – A minimum score of at least 480 out of 750 in the subject matter accepted by the applied program,
- f) A minimum score of B3 from each of the six subjects, including mathematics, from the WAEC (West African Examination Council) exam held in Nigeria,
- g) SAT 1 – A total combined score of at least 1000 in Mathematics + Reading sections and a minimum score of 550 in Mathematics.

High school diploma scores or high school graduation exam scores:

- a) A score of 1–4 on ABITUR or Austria MATURA (Matura Reifezeugnis). (Applications with FACHABITUR without an exam score will not be accepted),
- b) DIPLÔME DU BACCALAUREAT GENERAL (French Baccalaureate-Baccalaureate score type only given in France) – A diploma grade of at least 12,
- c) GCE (A level) – At least two A levels one of which is related in the subject matter of the applied program,
- d) A minimum diploma grade of 3.5 for Switzerland MATURA examination;
- e) For those with TRNC nationality: reside in TRNC with high school education completed in TRNC and taken GCE AL exam, and have received education in a high school in another country between 2005 and 2010 and have taken GCE AL exam,
- f) A minimum diploma grade of 10 on Greek “Apolytirion of Lykeo/Secondary School Leaving Certificate”.
- g) Candidates with other high school diploma grade of at least 6 out of 10 (60 percent) or equivalent can apply.

The Higher Education Institution exam scores are valid for 2 years.

Admission, quota, and placement in the programs

ARTICLE 11 – The evaluation of the applications by students from abroad is carried out by the Foreign Student Evaluation Commission. Foreign student applicants are evaluated, placed and enrolled in the respective programs at the university in collaboration with Registrar’s Office, International Relations Office, and the Computer Research and Application Center. The admitted applicants are given a “Letter of Admission.”

The foreign student applicants are evaluated, placed and enrolled in the International Open Education programs by the Open Education, Business Administration and Economics Faculties.

Candidates who meet the application requirement in accordance with the Principles of YÖK can be given a "Pre-Acceptance Letter" for the next academic year, not exceeding 1/3 of the foreign student acceptance quota in the previous year.

Foreign students can choose a maximum of 3 departments or programs. Students will be placed in individual programs according to the rules and conditions set by the relevant program.

Student transfers and/or additional placements between the programs with available space (except for the Faculties of Law and Pharmacy) are carried out by the Foreign Student Evaluation Commission.

Candidates who meet the application requirements will be ranked according to their scores. Applicants are placed in programs according to their preferences, except for preadmission and additional placement, providing that the number of students from the same nationality in a program does not exceed 20% of the quota of that program (except for the

International Open Education programs). Dual nationality holders are required to select one of their nationality in filling out the “Online Application Form”. In any case of equality (tie) in ranking, first the preference order, then the high school GPA, and then the younger age will be favored.

If the candidate takes the nationality of a country other than Turkey in a future date after he/she completes the online application, he/she can request change in his/her nationality category. Otherwise, the preference, registration, and diploma procedures are conducted by using the nationality he/she provides during the application.

During the enrollment, if the applicant cannot present the passport/ID documents for the nationality he/she stated in the application, he/she loses the right to enroll.

If the candidate does not enroll by the announced enrollment deadline or if the document verification reveals that he/she does not meet the application conditions or that he/she applied with inappropriate documents, his/her enrollment will be terminated.

Turkish proficiency

ARTICLE 12 – Students with foreign nationality who have enrolled in a program where the language of instruction is Turkish must document their proficiency in Turkish or achieve a minimum score of 60 or higher on the Turkish Language section of ANADOLUYOS or B2-equivalent valid scores either on the “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam” administered by ANADOLU TOMER or on the Turkish Language Proficiency Exam (TYS) administered by the Yunus Emre Institute, or those administered by institutions declared valid by Yunus Emre Institute and Senate. TOMER Certificates received from other institutions/organizations are not accepted.

Applicants who are admitted to programs where instruction is completely conducted in a language other than Turkish are not required to submit a TOMER Certificate.

- a) they have completed high school education in Turkish schools affiliated with the Ministry of National Education,
- b) they have completed high school education in Turkish schools abroad affiliated with the Ministry of National Education,
- c) they have completed high school education in Open Education High Schools affiliated with the Ministry of National Education,
- d) 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 document that they hold the Official Document For The Use of Rights defined in the Turkish Citizenship Law (blue-card holders),
- e) their nationality is Turkish,
- f) they hold dual citizenship, one being Turkish,
- g) Those who are enrolled in Open Education System programs abroad. The number of quotas for ANADOLU TÖMER deemed appropriate by the University can be reserved for the students of the Open Education System abroad programs in return for a fee to be requested as per the legislation.

Applicants with foreign nationality who have earned the right to enroll and have enrolled as such must take the “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam” administered by Turkish Language Teaching, Application and Research Center (TOMER) at the beginning of the semester. Those who score a minimum of 60 out of 100 on the “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam” are considered to have sufficient proficiency in Turkish and are then transferred to the associate/undergraduate program of their enrolment. Students who score 59 or

lower out of 100 on this test are placed in the “ANADOLU TOMER Turkish Language Preparation Program” at the determined level based on their “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam” scores (**Table 1**). Students who do not take the “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam” are placed into the “Basic Level A1” program of “ANADOLU TOMER Turkish Language Preparation Program”.

Students that cannot achieve the required Turkish score will be given a leave of absence for one year to attend “ANADOLU TOMER Turkish Language Preparation Program” so that they can achieve the required scores after they complete the pre-enrollment procedures in the department/program they are accepted. During this period, the student does not pay the tuition fee of the department/program in which he/she is enrolled, but pays the TÖMER fee and keeps benefiting from all student rights. If the student on such leave of absence fails to bring his/her Turkish language proficiency up to the required level within one year, he/she is given an additional 1 (one) year provided that they remain enrolled at ANADOLU TOMER, and document their Turkish Language Proficiency. However, these students do not pay tuition fee and cannot enjoy student rights. Students who cannot meet the necessary language proficiency requirements after this additional period will be disenrolled. The TÖMER certificate brought by the student from other institutions after the registration date is not accepted.

Table 1. Anadolu Turkish Language Proficiency Levels and Scale

Turkish Language Proficiency Levels	Score Intervals	Explanation
C2	89–100	The minimum scores required to begin studying at an associate/undergraduate program
C1	70–88	
B2	60–69	
B1	50–59	The scores that are insufficient to begin studying at an associate/undergraduate program
A2	40–49	
A1	30–39	

Students who reach the sufficient Turkish language proficiency level for their respective programs/departments do not have to continue to study in the programs beyond this proficiency level. Students who are successful at the B2 level for the associate/undergraduate program are transferred to the programs they are enrolled at as of the next semester.

At the end of the spring semester, those who meet the requirement of attendance in “ANADOLU TOMER Turkish Language Preparation Program”, are allowed to take the end-of-semester “ANADOLU Turkish Language Proficiency Exam”. Students who score a minimum of 60 out of 100 on this exam earn the right to continue their studies in their associate/undergraduate program of enrolment in the following semester.

The University Executive Board will decide on whether or not to administer a “Make-up Test” for those who failed to take the tests due to valid reasons documented within three workdays of the exam.

Fees and Assurance

ARTICLE 13 – Anadolu University Executive Board determines the foreign student tuition and fees, in view of maximum and minimum amounts decreed by the Presidency of The Republic of Turkey every year.

In case of acquiring the citizenship of the Republic of Turkey or the citizenship of another state, the student can request a change in the citizenship category. However, such a change in

the status of student's citizenship does not lead to any change in the amount of the tuition fee to be paid.

Enrollment/enrollment renewal fees for the students will enroll at International Open Education programs are determined by the Executive Board.

In order to ensure that the financial resources of the students coming from abroad are sufficient to allow them to continue their higher education at the University, a financial assurance amount and/or form, of which the terms and principles to be determined by the Board of Directors, may be determined and the candidate may be asked to provide this.

Special Aptitude Exam

ARTICLE 14 – Applicants who apply to programs where pre-registration and “Special Aptitude Exams” are required to get a minimum score of 50 from the ANADOLUYOS General Aptitude Exam or meet the initial application requirements with their international exam/diploma grade, and they are also required to obtain satisfactory scores from the special aptitude exams administered by each relevant program of the Faculty/School, in accordance with the Directive for “Anadolu University Special Aptitude Exams for Undergraduate Programs” accepted by the Senate with decision no. 4/4 dated 14/05/2015.

PART FOUR

Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

Other provisions

ARTICLE 15 – (Değişik (Amended): Senato- 24/01/2020-1/10-a) Students who are enrolled in programs, which require intensive foreign language training, are subject to the rules and regulations stated in the “School of Foreign Languages, Education and Evaluation Rules and Regulations” with decision no. 30680 dated 08/2/2019 published in the Official Gazette. The maximum duration of study in “Turkish Preparatory Program” or “Foreign Language Preparatory Program” is two years. At the end of the maximum period, the students who fail will be disenrolled from the program they are registered. A certain fee can be determined for the "Foreign Language Preparatory Program" for students who are placed in a program on the basis of the foreign student quota.

Students beginning their study in the status of a foreign national for the first time are required to complete their General Health Insurance registration in person, at Eskişehir Social Security Provincial Directorate/Social Security Center, within 3 months of enrollment (except for the International Open Education programs).

Repealed regulation

ARTICLE 16 – “Anadolu University Directive for the Application, Admission and Enrollment of Foreign Students” Accepted by the University Senate with decision no. 2/4 dated 27/02/2018 has now been repealed.

Legal clauses

ARTICLE 17 –(Değişik (Amended): Senato- 24/01/2020-1/10-a) For situations for which there are no provisions in this Directive, the provisions of “Anadolu University Directive for Associate and Undergraduate Degree Education and Examination” published in the Official Gazette issue no. 30678 dated 6/2/2019, and the provisions of “The Student Discipline Directive for Higher Education Institutions” published in the Official Gazette issue no. 28388 dated 18/8/2012, apply.

For International Open Education programs, regarding situations for which there are no provisions, the provisions of the “Anadolu University Directive for the Education and

Examination at Open Education, Economics and Administration Faculties” published in the Official Gazette issue no. 29464 dated 3/9/2015, apply.

Validity

ARTICLE 18 – This directive is effective from the date it is accepted by the Anadolu University Senate.

Enforcement

ARTICLE 19 – Anadolu University Rector ensures the enforcement of this Directive.

THE DIRECTIVE GOES INTO EFFECT ON		
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27/03/2019	3/10	
THE SENATE AMENDING THE DIRECTIVE		
Date	Number	Details
24/01/2020	1/10-a	Article 10-b
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09/02/2021	5/3	Article 3-m, Article 12-f
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