

**BAŞKENT UNIVERSITY**  
**TUITION AND SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTIVE**

**(Adopted by the Baskent University Senate's decision dated 27.12.2018 and numbered 859/22)**

**SECTION ONE**  
**General Provisions**

**Aim**

**Article 1-** (1) In order to improve the quality of education, the aim of this directive is to encourage university candidates with high rank of success within their group to choose Baskent University, to direct to success the students who have entered the University and to ensure the regular conduct of practices related to "Tuition", "Merit" "Incentive" and "Support" scholarships which will be granted to reward successful students.

**Scope**

**Article 2-** (1) This directive covers the regulations for scholarships and tuition fees to be provided to students of the University, including the English Preparatory Program of the School of Foreign Languages.

**Basis and Terms**

**Article 3-** (1) This directive is prepared in accordance with the Higher Education Law No. 2547 and the Founding Law of Baskent University No. 3961, and the Main Regulations of Baskent University, which was issued on the basis of these Laws.

(2)The phrases "Board of Trustees", "President" and "Rectorate" in this directive refer to the Board of Trustees, the President, and Rectorate of Başkent University.

**SECTION TWO**  
**Tuition Scholarship**

**Article 4-**(1) The tuition is the fee determined by the Board of Trustees for each academic year, except for the course(s) covering one semester (on-the-job training, block practice, clinical practice, internship, etc.), collected in total for graduation at the beginning of each semester by:

- a) 25% of the semester fee from the students with one remaining course,
- b) 25% of the semester fee from the students with two remaining courses,
- c) 25% of the tuition for a semester from the students who have one or two courses left to graduation but cannot take any courses in the relevant semester,
- d) the entire semester fee in case the course(s) covering one semester are taken in the academic semester or summer course.

(2) Tuition Scholarship covers only students placed in the programs specified in the ÖSYS Higher Education Programs and Quotas Guides as admitting "Scholarship" students. The Tuition Scholarship is outright and provided in the form of non-collection of all or part of the tuition fee and does not impose any financial burden on the student. The Tuition Scholarship also covers the time to be spent in the Compulsory English Preparatory Program.

### **Article 5-(1)**

a) For students enrolled before 2017; scholarships continue provided that the student's registration is not suspended in the English Preparatory Program of the School of Foreign Languages as well as associate and undergraduate programs; s/he does not take disciplinary punishment of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once; s/he does not fail for three semesters in a row in the preparatory class; the GPA in her/his curriculum does not fall below 2.00 for three consecutive semesters; and that s/he does not repeat the semester/clinical practice in Medicine and Dentistry for 2 consecutive years. A student whose scholarship is terminated cannot retake a scholarship, even if s/he is successful.

b) For students entering ÖSYS in 2017 and the following years; the scholarships of the students enrolled in the programs specified in the ÖSYS Higher Education Programs and Quotas Guides will continue for one year in the compulsory preparatory class, and as long as the normal study period of the program specified in the Guides, regardless of whether they have enrolled or not. In case the student repeats the compulsory preparatory class of the School of Foreign Languages, the student is obliged to pay the preparatory class tuition fee determined by the Board of Trustees for the year of registration. Suspended periods are included in the regular study period. A student who cannot qualify for graduation during the regular study period is obliged to pay the tuition fee determined by the Board of Trustees for her/his department for the year s/he registers during the extended period of her/his study.

c) Scholarships are not valid if students enrolled in programs that do not include compulsory preparatory classes with ÖSYS Scholarship take optional English Preparatory education. These students are charged a preparatory class tuition fee determined by the Board of Trustees for the relevant academic year.

d) Article 5/b is applied to students enrolled with undergraduate transfer and intra-university transfer who took the ÖSYS Exam in 2017 and the following years.

e) Regular education periods for associate and undergraduate programs are specified in Article 19, and scholarships are discontinued for students who do not graduate within these periods.

## **SECTION THREE**

### **Merit Scholarship**

**Article 6- (1) (6/1 has been amended by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14)** Based on the evaluation to be made at the end of each academic year, except for the English Preparatory Program, those with semester (class) grade in the Faculty of Medicine and with semester success grade in the Faculty of Dentistry of 92 or higher; those with an academic year GPA (average of fall and spring semesters' GPA's (SGPA)) of 3.50 and higher in other associate degree and undergraduate programs; those in master's and doctorate programs with thesis with a GPA of 3.90 and higher at the end of each semester are submitted by Registrar's Office in the order of priority as candidates for the Merit Scholarship to the Rectorate's approval. According to the ranking of success in each program among the students who meet the above conditions, the first 10% of the class size of the associate and undergraduate students and 10% of the students enrolled in the graduate programs are awarded success scholarships in an amount deemed appropriate. SGPA and GPA are defined in Baskent University Associate Degree and Undergraduate Education and Examination Regulations.

**(2) (Clause 6/2 has been added by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14.)** Of the students in the success rating whose academic year GPA's in an associate degree, as well as an undergraduate program and their GPA's in graduate programs, are equal; for undergraduate and graduate students, those with higher scores from Basic Competence Test (BCT) and Higher Education Institutions Examination (HEIE), and in case of a tie, the ones with a higher position in Turkish BCT and HEIE ranking are chosen; in graduate programs, the following are taken into account: Master's degree at doctorate level,

undergraduate degree graduation level, if the tie continues, Academic Personnel and Postgraduate Education Entrance Exam (ALES) score is taken into account.

(3) **(Clause 6/3 has been added by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14.)** No merit scholarship is awarded in non-thesis graduate and distance education programs. In the master's with a thesis and doctoral programs, no merit scholarship is awarded if the number of students enrolled in the programs is not sufficient to constitute the 10th percentile.

(4) **(Clause 6/4 has been added by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14.)** In case the merit scholarship is not used for various reasons, the right for merit scholarship passes to the next student in the ranking.

(5) In graduate programs; besides having a GPA of 3.90 and above at the end of each semester, the number of courses taken by the student since the enrollment date must be three or more. Courses for which transfer students are exempted and courses taken in special studentship and scientific preparation are excluded. No grade Z must have been taken in the thesis, thesis preparation, thesis completion, or seminar course during the thesis phase.

(6) The Merit Scholarship is valid for the academic year for which associate degree/undergraduate students are awarded the scholarship and the semester for which the graduate students are awarded the scholarship. If a student meets the above-mentioned criteria, he/she can receive a Merit Scholarship for more than one academic year/semester.

## **SECTION FOUR**

### **Incentive Scholarships**

#### **Sports and Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) Graduates Scholarship**

##### **Sports Scholarships**

**Article 7- (1) (Amended by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14)** For associate degree and undergraduate students studying in sports branches;

a) In individual sports branches; the students are awarded full tuition coverage for the first place, 75% of tuition for the second place, and 50% of tuition for the third place won in the **international competitions** of individual sports branches attended by Turkish University Sports Federation, in the absence of our University team and provided that they carry our University logo.

b) In individual sports branches; the students are awarded 75% coverage of tuition for the first place, 50% of tuition for the second place, and 25% of tuition for the third place won competing in the highest league of the branch in the **national competitions** organized by Turkish University Sports Federation of individual sports branches, in the absence of our University team and provided that they carry our University logo.

c) In team sports, in international and national competitions organized by the Turkish University Sports Federation, students who win first, second and third places by taking part in the school teams representing our University or by competing in competitions which our University would not participate provided that they carry our University logo, are awarded incentive scholarships at the rates determined by the evaluation of the Rectorate.

d) The Sports Scholarship is awarded to students determined by the Sports Center Coordinatorship and approved by the Rectorate at the beginning of each academic year, for the duration of one academic year regardless of the academic year GPA for the first time. A student receiving an incentive scholarship this way is entitled to receive an incentive scholarship once more in the following academic year, in case s/he takes one of the places mentioned in Clause a, b, and c of Article 7 in or after the academic year s/he uses the scholarship, provided that he/she has a GPA of 2.00, or 60 as the semester (class) grade in the Faculty of Medicine or as the semester success grade in the Faculty of Dentistry. The scholarship is discontinued if s/he

takes a disciplinary punishment of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once.

e) Associate degree and undergraduate students enrolling in our University, who are active national athletes in their branches (for the last two years) and won places (first three) individually in international competitions for our country, are awarded an incentive scholarship at the rate of 75%; associate degree and undergraduate students enrolling in our University, who are active national athletes in their branches with no individual podium place are awarded an incentive scholarship in the rate of %25 for the academic year regardless of their GPA for the first time. The application for national athlete scholarship is made to the Registrar's Office with the document to be taken from the Federation showing the National Athlete status for the last two years.

f) Students receiving National Athlete scholarships must document their active national athlete status to continue receiving their scholarships. The student must renew at the beginning of every academic year the document to be taken from the Federation showing her/his National Athlete status for the last two years and submit it to the Registrar's Office. The scholarship is continued for a student who has a semester (class) grade for the Faculty of Medicine and semester success grade for the Faculty of Dentistry below 60, or a GPA below 2.00 for other associate degree and undergraduate programs, and who receives a disciplinary action of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once.

### **Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) Graduates Scholarship**

**Article 8- (1) (Clause 1 and 2 have been added by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14.)** Of the candidates who graduated from secondary education schools implementing International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) and admitted to Baskent University based on the result from Student Selection Examination, ones having an IB grade between 40 and 45 are awarded an incentive scholarship at a rate of 25% of the tuition.

(2) For a student receiving IB incentive scholarship; the incentive scholarship is terminated in case her/his registration is suspended in the preparatory school or associate degree and undergraduate programs, s/he receives a disciplinary action of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once, her/his GPA falls below 2.00 in her/his education program, her/his semester (class) grade in the Faculty of Medicine or semester success grade in the Faculty of Dentistry falls below 60, and is not reinstated even if the student is successful again.

## **SECTION FIVE**

### **Support Scholarships**

#### **Başkent University Employees and Their Children**

**Article 9- (1)** Academic and administrative staff working full-time in Baskent University and their dependent children are awarded a support scholarship of 25% of the tuition in case they are registered in any education program at Baskent University (including English Preparatory Program).

(2) Any personnel working at Baskent University and entitled to register as a full-time student to Baskent University's graduate programs is awarded a support scholarship at a rate of 50% of the tuition.

(3) Research assistants staffed at Baskent University studying in master's and doctoral education at Baskent University are rewarded full support scholarship at the amount of the tuition.

(4) The decision on the continuation of the supporting scholarship for graduate students staffed as research assistants at Baskent University is given upon the submission to the

Rectorate of a report on the conformance to the success and period requirements stipulated in the Graduate Education and Examination Regulations prepared by the Registrar's Office each semester.

(5) Among the master's and doctoral students registered at Baskent University, those to be employed part-time are exempt from the tuition for the program they are enrolled in, provided that they do not fail to meet the requirements specified in Article 4 of "Baskent University Rules and Procedures for Part-Time Employment of Postgraduate and Doctoral Students" in the regular education period.

(6) **(Added by the Senate's decision dated 28.01.2021 and numbered 876/14.)** In case academic and administrative personnel employed at Baskent University staff exceeds the regular education period in doctoral programs, the continuation of the supporting scholarship will be evaluated by the Rectorate based on the report prepared by the thesis supervisor.

### **Siblings**

**Article 10-** (1) One of the siblings studying at Baskent University is given a support scholarship at the rate of 10% of the tuition fee. If the student who benefits from the sibling scholarship fails, the scholarship is transferred to the other sibling. The sibling to whom the scholarship is transferred should not have completed the regular education period, and her/his GPA must be at least 2.00.

### **Başkent University Graduates**

**Article 11-** (1) A support scholarship at the rate of 25% of the tuition is given to those who have graduated from a secondary education/associate degree or undergraduate program of Baskent University and enrolled in associate degree/undergraduate programs.

(2) A support scholarship 30% of the tuition is awarded to those who graduated from associate degree/undergraduate programs of our University and enrolled in graduate programs and who graduated from associate degree, undergraduate, and/or graduate programs and enrolled in doctoral programs (including scientific preparation).

(3) Special students who graduated from associate degree/undergraduate programs of our University and enrolled in graduate programs and who graduated from associate degree, undergraduate, and/or graduate programs and enroll in doctoral programs can benefit from all support scholarships provided by our University.

**Article 12-** (1) Students who wish to benefit from support scholarships must document their status and apply to the Registrar's Office in person.

### **Termination of Support Scholarships**

**Article 13-** (1) For associate degree and undergraduate students; support scholarships are terminated in the event of suspension of the enrollment in the Preparatory Program of the School of Foreign Languages and associate degree and undergraduate programs, receiving a disciplinary punishment of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once, failure for three consecutive semesters in the Preparatory class, student's GPA falling below 2.00 for three consecutive semesters in the education program he/she is in, and failure to graduate within the period specified in Article 19.

(2) For graduate students; support scholarships are discontinued in the event of suspension of the enrollment in the graduate programs (including English Preparation and Scientific Preparation programs), receiving a disciplinary punishment of reprimand or below-reprimand twice or above-reprimand once, student's GPA falling below 2.50 in thesis and non-thesis graduate programs and 2.70 in doctoral programs at the end of each semester, having to repeat semester/clinical practice for 2 consecutive years in the Faculties of Medicine and Dentistry, and failure to graduate within the period specified in Article 19.

(3) A student whose scholarship is terminated cannot be awarded a scholarship again, even if he/she is successful.

## **SECTION SIX**

### **Other Provisions**

**Article 14-** (1) In the termination of scholarships, the Make-up Exam results are taken as a basis for the students of the Faculties of Medicine and Dentistry.

**Article 15-** (1) Students who are considered on leave pursuant to Articles 27 and 28 of Baskent University Education and Examination Regulations and Articles 28 and 51 of Baskent University Graduate Education and Examination Regulations and students participating in Student Exchange Programs, continue to enjoy their scholarship rights.

**Article 16-** (1) For students who will have an undergraduate transfer in associate degree and undergraduate programs; in case the relevant placement score obtained as a result of the ÖSYS in the year the student enrolled in the University is equal to or higher than the base score of the scholarship department they want to transfer in the same year; they will study with a scholarship at the scholarship rate specified in the ÖSYS Guide. The scholarship of a student, who transfers to programs that admit students with a special aptitude test while studying in any program with a scholarship, is not continued.

**Article 17-** (1) The scholarship rate of a student cannot exceed 100%. For all scholarships covered by the directive, no retrospective scholarship allocation may be made.

**Article 18-**(1) Of the students enrolled in undergraduate programs which are stated in the ÖSYS Higher Education Programs and Quotas Guidelines for the year they are placed in Baskent University as admitting "Scholarship" students, those who apply and qualify to enroll in double major/minor undergraduate programs will receive scholarships at the rate of the scholarship they enjoy in their major. This scholarship covers the courses opened for the student's double major/minor programs among the courses opened in the Summer Education. Scholarship students who will take courses from their major in Summer Education pay summer education fees.

(2) In case the relevant placement score obtained as a result of ÖSYS in the year the student is placed in the undergraduate program s/he is registered is equal to or higher than the score of the student placed last in the double major/minor scholarship undergraduate program he/she applied to with ÖSYS in the same year, the students will receive an education with the scholarship at the rate their score is sufficient in the double major/minor program. Of the students who started double major/minor education in the 2017-2018 academic year; if the main placement score of the student who is studying with a scholarship is sufficient for a higher rate of scholarship in the double major program, s/he will study in, the higher percentage of scholarship is applied.

(3) Scholarships of students who have obtained the right to graduate from the undergraduate program they are registered in and who have not yet completed the double major/minor undergraduate program in which they are registered continue for 2 semesters in the double major undergraduate program and for 1 semester in the minor undergraduate program. The scholarship periods of students who have successfully completed the preparatory class in 1 semester and started the program in which they are enrolled and given an additional period of 1 year for this, cannot be extended for the double major/minor program for this reason.

(4) **(Amended by the Senate's decision dated 25.07.2019 and numbered 864/35 based on the decision of the Board of Trustees dated 16 January 2019 and numbered 111)** The tuition fees of those who are entitled to enroll in the University by undergraduate transfer, vertical transfer, special talent, YÖS exams results, and those who want to enroll in the intermediate classes of our University as foreign students or who will enroll in the inter-institutional transfer is determined as the program tuition fee of the previous academic year updated with the CPI rate valid for the June of the year student gains right to transfer or enroll.

(5) For students who transfer to a non-thesis master's program while studying in a master's program with a thesis or to a master's program with a thesis while studying in a non-thesis master's program without interruption to their education, the tuition valid on the date they first enrolled in the master's program is applied.

**Article 19-**(1) The total scholarship period cannot exceed the regular education period. The regular education periods are as follows:

(2) For associate degree and undergraduate programs; excluding Preparation class; 2 years for associate degree programs; 4 years for undergraduate programs; 5 years for the Faculty of Dentistry and Faculty of Pharmacy; 6 years for the Faculty of Medicine.

(3) For graduate programs; excluding the time spent in Scientific Preparation; starting from the semester in which the courses related to the program are given, regardless of whether they have registered for each semester; 1,5 years for non-thesis master's programs; 2 years for master's programs with thesis; 4 years for those admitted to the doctoral program with a master's degree with thesis; 5 years for those who have been admitted to the doctoral program with a bachelor's degree.

(4) Periods on leave are excluded from education periods.

**Provisional Article 1-** (1) Article 5/b of this directive is valid for students enrolled in 2017 and the following years.

**Provisional Article 2-** (1) As of the spring semester of the 2017-2018 academic year, Article 9/3 of this directive is applied to research assistants who started postgraduate education before the effective date of this directive.

(2) As of the spring semester of the 2018-2019 academic year, Article 9/5 of this directive is applied to those who work as part-time students among master's and doctoral students.

**Provisional Article 3-** (1) No retrospective allocation can be made for students who could/did not benefit from the Support Scholarships in the years before the 2017-2018 academic year.

**Provisional Article 4-** (1) Changes in the articles 6/1, 6/2, 6/3, and 6/4 of this directive regarding the scholarships in graduate programs come into force as of the spring semester of the 2020-2021 academic year, changes regarding the scholarships in associate degree and undergraduate programs come into force as of the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

(2) Changes in articles 7 and 8 of this directive come into force as of the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

(3) Article 9/5 of this directive comes into force as of the spring semester of the 2020-2021 academic year.

(4) The new regulations on "disciplinary punishment" made in this directive come into force as of the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

### **Validity**

**Article 20-** (1) This directive, which has been in effect since the 2018-2019 academic year, is in effect again as of the spring semester of the 2020-2021 academic year with the changes and regulations made in the Senate on 28.01.2021.

### **Implementation**

**Article 21-** (1) This Directive is implemented by the President of Başkent University.