

Republic of Türkiye
ISTANBUL AYDIN UNIVERSITY
SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTIVE

CHAPTER ONE

Purpose, Scope, Legal Basis and Definitions

ARTICLE 1 – Purpose

This Directive aims to raise the quality of education and training at Istanbul Aydın University; to support and reward successful students; to encourage sports, cultural and artistic activities; and to support students in need, through the scholarships granted to students at Istanbul Aydın University.

ARTICLE 2 – Scope

This Directive covers regulations regarding scholarships for students studying in Foreign Language Preparatory Programs and associate degree and undergraduate programs at Istanbul Aydın University.

ARTICLE 3 – Legal basis

This Directive has been issued pursuant to Articles 14 and 46 of the Higher Education Law No. 2547 and the relevant provisions of the Istanbul Aydın University Main Regulation.

ARTICLE 4 – Definitions

In this Directive, the following terms shall mean:

- a) Scholarship Commission: the Istanbul Aydın University Scholarship Commission,
- b) Other Scholarships: need-based scholarships granted under the conditions and circumstances deemed appropriate by the Board of Trustees of Istanbul Aydın University,
- c) Istanbul Aydın University: Istanbul Aydın University,
- d) Board of Trustees: the Board of Trustees of Istanbul Aydın University,
- e) ÖSYM Achievement Scholarship: the tuition-fee scholarship announced in the Higher Education Programs and Quotas Guide, granted by ÖSYM to students placed in scholarship programs of Istanbul Aydın University,
- f) Senate: the Senate of Istanbul Aydın University,
- g) SKS: the Directorate of Health, Culture and Sports,
- h) Administrative Board: the Administrative Board of Istanbul Aydın University.

CHAPTER TWO

Procedure for Benefiting from Scholarships

ARTICLE 5

A student who is entitled to more than one scholarship under this Directive may benefit from only one of them. Scholarships cannot be combined or accumulated.

ARTICLE 6

A student requesting a scholarship submits the “Scholarship Request Form” completed via the Istanbul Aydın University UBIS system during new registrations or registration renewals, together with supporting documents, to the Istanbul Aydın University Scholarship Commission for evaluation.

ARTICLE 7

Within the framework of the merit-based scholarship support program, granting scholarships to students or terminating scholarship entitlements is determined by the six-member “Scholarship Commission” composed of: the Rector (or the Vice Rector authorized by the Rector) as chair; the Secretary General; Legal Counsel; the Director of Student Affairs; the Director of SKS; and the Director of Financial Affairs.

Evaluation results become final upon the Rector’s proposal and the approval of the Board of Trustees.

CHAPTER THREE

Scholarships

ARTICLE 8 – ÖSYM Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship is granted to students who win scholarship quotas listed in the ÖSYM Guide as a result of the university entrance exam (YKS) held annually by the Student Selection and Placement Center (ÖSYM), and is granted for the normal duration of education specified in the Higher Education Law No. 2547.

ARTICLE 9 – Other Scholarships

Other Scholarships refer to need-based scholarships granted under the conditions and circumstances deemed appropriate by the Istanbul Aydın University Board of Trustees.

(1) ÖSYM Achievement Support Scholarship: A scholarship applied as a deduction from annual tuition fees—according to achievement criteria determined by the Board of Trustees—is granted to successful students who rank high nationwide in the university entrance exam (YKS) (excluding students admitted with language scores). In addition, a monthly scholarship is provided based on these achievement criteria. Scholarship and support conditions are determined by the Board of Trustees and published on the official website.

(2) Faculty of Medicine Scholarship: Students placed in the Faculty of Medicine under conditions determined by the Board of Trustees and published on the official website are granted education support and scholarships at rates updated annually and published on the official website.

(3) Semester Achievement Scholarship: In associate degree and undergraduate programs (excluding Preparatory Program and final-year students), students who take the normal course load specified in the curriculum each academic year (Fall and Spring semesters) and whose consecutive semester GPA (1–2, 2–3, etc.) is above 3.5 are granted a scholarship for one academic year at the following rates, to be applied to the annual tuition fee:

- Program/department first: 10% scholarship
- Program/department second: 8% scholarship
- Program/department third: 6% scholarship

(4) Sports, Culture and Arts Achievement Scholarship: Students who are on the national team roster in any sport and actively compete as licensed athletes in First League clubs, and students who place (top three) by representing the University in cultural and artistic fields, benefit from scholarships at the following rates of annual tuition fees:

a) Athletes on the national team roster: 50%

b) Athletes licensed by the relevant federation who have placed (top three) in national competitions: 50%

c) Students who have won first place in inter-university competitions: 50%

d) In international competitions in cultural and artistic fields: 50% for first, 40% for second, 30% for third.

Different scholarship rates may be granted by the Board of Trustees for students who represent Istanbul Aydın University in national and international competitions, upon recommendation of the SKS Directorate.

The duration of Sports, Culture and Arts Achievement Scholarships is one academic year and is re-evaluated each academic year.

(5) Halit Aydın Achievement Scholarship: Each year, the University's 1st-ranked student receives 50%, 2nd-ranked 30%, and 3rd-ranked 20% Halit Aydın Achievement Scholarship. This scholarship is applied to the tuition fee.

(6) Education Support Scholarship: Granted—upon final registration in full-tuition quotas of all associate and undergraduate programs—at the following rates:

– Children of members of the Turkish Armed Forces, Police Organization and Ministry of National Education: 5% in undergraduate programs, 10% in associate degree programs.

- Siblings: provided both siblings study at Istanbul Aydın University, one of the students receives 5% in undergraduate programs, 10% in associate degree programs.
- Children and siblings of martyrs (excluding terrorism martyrs) and veterans: 5% for undergraduate programs, 10% for associate degree programs.
- Children and siblings of terrorism martyrs: within quota, 100% Education Support Scholarship is granted to 10 undergraduate and 20 associate degree students upon application during the preference period, with approved documents from the Ministry of Interior, General Staff, Gendarmerie General Command or General Directorate of Security.

The continuation/termination conditions of the Education Support Scholarship are as specified in Article 13.

(7) Work Support Scholarship: For students (excluding Preparatory Program) who are successful and whose applications are accepted (based on semester achievement rates), a scholarship is granted in the manner and amount deemed appropriate by the Board of Trustees, on the condition that they work in designated campus areas. Applications are evaluated by the Scholarship and Discount Commission and decided by the Board of Trustees.

(8) Incentive Scholarship: Students who have won gold, silver or bronze medals in international competitions identified by TÜBİTAK, and who prefer and enroll in the relevant departments/programs of the University, are granted an “Incentive Scholarship” equal to 10% of the tuition fee throughout their education.

(9) Board of Trustees Scholarship: Students placed by ÖSYM and enrolled at Istanbul Aydın University are granted a Board of Trustees Scholarship at rates determined by the Board of Trustees, taking into account educational status and financial difficulties.

(10) School Valedictorian Scholarship: Students who graduate as valedictorian from high schools and equivalent schools, and who place—via ÖSYM central placement—into one of the full-tuition associate/undergraduate programs (excluding Medicine and Dentistry Programs, Turkish and English) by listing it as 1st–5th preference in their graduation year, are granted a 30% School Valedictorian Scholarship for the legal duration of study, regardless of placement order.

(11) Double Major and Minor Scholarship: Students studying at Istanbul Aydın University benefit from double major and minor programs as “Fully Scholarship”.

(12) Staff Scholarship: A scholarship is applied at rates determined by the Board of Trustees for personnel who have worked at Istanbul Aydın University for six months or more, and their spouses and children.

(13) Preference Scholarship: Students who place—via ÖSYM central placement—into one of the full-tuition associate/undergraduate programs by listing it as 1st–5th preference (excluding departments exempted from this scholarship and distance education programs as published on the official website) are granted a 30% Preference Scholarship for the normal duration of education,

regardless of placement order. The scope and exclusions are updated each year on the University's official website and in the ÖSYM guide.

(14) Scholarships based on protocols with public and private secondary education institutions: Graduates of public and private secondary education institutions that have signed scholarship protocols with Istanbul Aydın University benefit from scholarships determined by the Board of Trustees, provided they place in and enroll at Istanbul Aydın University.

CHAPTER FOUR

Duration, Termination and Final Provisions

ARTICLE 10 – Duration

The scholarship duration is the normal duration of education specified in the Higher Education Law.

For students receiving the ÖSYM Achievement Support Scholarship: for departments with a Preparatory Program, the duration is 5 years; for Turkish-medium programs, 4 years. For students with transferred courses, scholarship conditions are limited to the normal duration of education.

ARTICLE 11 – Termination

Except for the ÖSYM Achievement Scholarship, scholarships granted by the University end in the following cases:

- a) Failure to successfully complete the foreign language preparatory class within two semesters,
- b) Under the provisions of the Istanbul Aydın University Associate Degree and Undergraduate Education-Training and Examination Regulation, the student's GPA in the program of study falling below 2.00 in two consecutive Fall and Spring semesters. Courses taken in the Summer Term are included in the GPA calculation of the semester in which the course is taken,
- c) Absence for one semester without a legal excuse,
- d) Receiving a "Suspension" penalty from a higher education institution.

Students whose scholarship is terminated due to academic failure cannot return to scholarship status.

ARTICLE 12

Other than the ÖSYM Achievement Scholarship, determining all scholarship rates within the scope of "Other Scholarships", increasing/decreasing these rates or cancelling them is within the authority of the Istanbul Aydın University Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE 13 – Entry into force

This Directive enters into force as of 04/12/2019, the date it was adopted by the Senate of Istanbul Aydın University.

ARTICLE 15 – Execution

The provisions of this Directive are executed by the Rector of Istanbul Aydın University.