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SECTION ONE

Objective, Scope, Basis, Definitions

Objective

ARTICLE 1 - (1) The objective of these regulations is to specify the rules and principles governing scholarship application and eligibility criteria as well the types of scholarships awarded to TED University graduate students and applicants thereof.

Scope

ARTICLE 2 - (1) These regulations apply to students on scholarship who are attending the graduate programs offered at the TED University Graduate School (*excluding the Preparatory Class and the Scientific Preparation Program*) and the related procedures.


Basis

ARTICLE 3 - (1) These regulations are based on *TED University Regulations on Graduate Study*.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4 - (1) Definitions of certain terms used in this document;

- a) University: TED University,
- b) Graduate School: The Graduate School affiliated to the University,
- c) Graduate Student: Master's and doctoral students attending the Graduate School.
- ç) Scholarship: Beneficial rights including monthly net stipends based on categories defined in the Article 5 and university dormitory services without any charge in addition to tuition fee remission.

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SECTION TWO

Types of Scholarships, Applicant Eligibility

Types of Scholarships

ARTICLE 5 - (1) Types of scholarships are as below:


- a) **Tuition Fee Scholarship:** Full or partial tuition fee remission exclusively awarded to registered students at graduate programs with thesis.
- b) **Merit-Based Scholarship:** A monthly net stipend exclusively awarded to registered students at graduate programs with thesis.
- c) **Part-Time Work Scholarship:** A monthly net stipend awarded to graduate students who are employed by the University.
- ç) **Employee Scholarship:** 50% tuition fee remission exclusively offered to the employees of the University.
- d) **TED University Alumni Scholarship:** 25% tuition fee remission exclusively offered to the students graduated from undergraduate or graduate programs of the University.
- e) **TED Schools Alumni Scholarship:** 25% tuition fee remission exclusively offered to the students who have received a high-school diploma from TED Schools.
- f) **Dormitory Scholarship:** Right to benefit from the University dormitories without any charge.

A student is eligible for only one of *Tuition Fee/TED University Alumni/TED Schools Alumni/Employee* scholarships at the same time.

Applicant Eligibility

ARTICLE 6 – (1) Candidates who wish to apply for scholarships delineated in the Article 5 must fulfill these conditions given below and must fill out the scholarship application form:

- a) A minimum graduation GPA of 2.40/4.00 at undergraduate study (For *Tuition Fee* and *Dormitory* scholarships),
- b) A minimum GPA of 3.80/4.00 and minimum average of three courses per semester (For *Merit-Based Scholarship*),

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c) A minimum standard ALES score of 70.00 (*Academic Personnel and Postgraduate Education Entrance Exam* centrally held by ÖSYS - *Measuring, Selection and Placement Center of Turkey*) in the relevant score type of the program applied into. (Candidates from abroad may present equivalent international GMAT or GRE scores instead of ALES) (For *Merit-Based/Dormitory/Tuition Fee/Part-Time Work* scholarships),

ç) At least three years of full time employment at the University (For *Employee Scholarship*)

d) TED University diploma or graduation certificate (For *TED University Alumni Scholarship*)

e) Original or certified copy of the high school diploma received from TED Schools (For *TED Schools Alumni Scholarship*)

(2) *Program Areas* may establish additional criteria or may require higher levels than the existing criteria for the programs they operate regarding the candidates who are to apply for scholarship provided that the minimum requirements mentioned above have been fulfilled and that these requirements are previously announced on the website.

(3) Scholarships to be awarded to eligible students will be decided on by the *Graduate School Executive Board* and then by the *University Administrative Board*, also conferring with the relevant *Program Area Directorate*.


SECTION THREE

Discontinuation of Scholarship, Transfer between Types of Scholarships, Changes in Scholarship Status

Discontinuation of Scholarship

ARTICLE 7 - (1) Scholarships are fully terminated in the following scenarios:

- a) GPA below 2.50/4.00 at the end of the second semester,
- b) GPA below 2.80/4.00 at the end of the third semester,
- c) Student leaving prematurely or graduating from the program,
- ç) Student receiving a penalty as a result of disciplinary investigation,

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- d) Student on *Employee Scholarship* leaving their job at the University (scholarship status ends at the end of the semester in which the employee has left the university, and they are considered as self-funded students by the beginning of the next semester)
- e) Scholarship(s) and/or remission(s) awarded to the student may be cancelled, a refund may be requested and a disciplinary investigation may be launched in case of inaccurate or misleading information provided by the student.
- f) (1) Student on *Merit-Based Scholarship* receiving a GPA below 3.70/4.00 for two successive semesters, or a GPA below 3.00/4.00 in any semester except for the first registered semester (Student changes to self-funded status when no longer eligible for *Merit-Based Scholarship*.)
- (2) Student on *Part-Time Work Scholarship*,
- a) Receiving a scholarship/stipend being assigned to a research project.
- b) Scoring 2 or below (out of 5) in the performance assessment mentioned in the Article 9.3.
- (3) Students who are no longer eligible for *Tuition Fee/TED University Alumni/TED Schools Alumni/Employee* scholarships can continue in self-funded status for the remaining period of their study as of the beginning of the next semester, based on the tuition fee rates for the relevant academic year.
- (4) Students who are no longer eligible for *Tuition Fee/TED University Alumni/TED Schools Alumni/Employee* scholarships cannot take courses unless meeting their due financial liabilities.

Changes in Scholarship Status, Transfer between Types of Scholarships

ARTICLE 8 - (1) Requests of the students who wish to change to scholarship status from the self-funded or those who wish to transfer between types of scholarships are to be reviewed by the relevant *Program Area Directorate* within the existing quotas. Requests regarding *Tuition Fee/Merit-Based/Part-Time Work/Dormitory* scholarships are to be decided on by the *Graduate School Executive Board* and then the *University Administrative Board* successively, also conferring with the relevant *Program Area Directorate*.

(2) In order for students to apply for a scholarship after being admitted to the program, they are required to have taken at least three courses and have a minimum GPA of 3.80/4.00. Number of students on scholarship cannot exceed the existing quota by any means.

(3) *Tuition Fee Scholarship* starts at the beginning of the subsequent semester. Other scholarships than *Tuition Fee Scholarship* start at the beginning of the next month following

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the *Graduate School Executive Board* and *University Administrative Board* decisions.

SECTION FOUR

Rights and Obligations of the Student and of the University

Obligations of the Students

ARTICLE 9 - (1) Students on scholarship are to contribute to the research and education activities of the University.

(2) Students on scholarship, when demanded by the *Graduate School* or *Program Area Directorate*, are obliged to take on assignments in education and teaching activities (*including proctoring at exams, assessment of homework papers, etc.*). These assignments are limited to max. 20 hours per week.

(3) Whether these above-mentioned obligations are fulfilled or not will be taken into consideration in the performance assessment to be conducted at the end of each semester by the relevant *Program Area Directorate* and the *Graduate School*. Scholarships of those students who have received 2 (out of 5) and below in these assessments are to be cancelled.


Scholarship Duration

ARTICLE 10 - (1) Scholarships cover the maximum period of four academic semesters as designated for graduate programs with thesis, or maximum eight academic semesters as designated for doctoral programs (*excluding the foreign language preparatory program*). Scholarships can be extended for another year at most based on the conditions stated in the Article 6.

(2) Stipend amounts for the *Part-Time Work Scholarship* are to be determined every year with the approval of the *Board of Trustees* upon proposal by the *Office of the Rector*.

Health Insurance

ARTICLE 11 - (1) The university offers the same insurance coverage via contracted private health insurance to doctoral students on *Tuition Fee Scholarship* during their period of study as provided to the full-time faculty, except for those students currently working in an establishment as registered to the social security system. The *Graduate School* submits a list of the students within the coverage to the *Office of the Rector* in written form during their admission to the program.

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(2) Insurance termination procedures will be implemented upon notification by the *Graduate School* for the students who have been dismissed or changed to self-funded status.

SECTION FIVE

Miscellaneous Provisions

Enforcement

ARTICLE 12 - (1) These regulations are effective as approved by the University Senate Decree No. 2021/24 on 08.10.2021.

Execution

ARTICLE 13- (1) These regulations are to be executed by TED University Rector.

SENATE SESSIONS RELATED TO THESE REGULATIONS

DATE	DECREE NO	EXPLANATION
09.08.2017	2017-10	Decree No. 10-3 is accepted with all its contents
23.08.2017	2017-11	Decree No.27 has been revised. - UAB
07.01.2021	2021-01	Revision of the <i>Graduate Scholarship Regulations</i>
08.10.2021	2021-24	Amendments to the Article 6

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