



TURKISH-GERMAN UNIVERSITY / INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
PUBLIC LAW MASTER'S PROGRAMME WITH THESIS
2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND QUOTA INFORMATION

I. IMPORTANT DATES

Application Period	June 10-July 10, 2026
Foreign Language Proficiency Test*	July 24, 2026
Announcement of Application Pre-Assessment Results	July 28, 2026
Oral Exam Date	August 3-14, 2026**
Results Announcement Date	August 18, 2026
Final Enrolment Date	August 24-September 4, 2026
Academic Year Start Date	September 14, 2026

- * The German Proficiency Test will be held by the School of Foreign Languages.
The English Proficiency Test will be held by the General Education Coordination Office.
**The exact date of the exam will be announced on the programme's website.

II. QUOTA

- Foreign applicants and candidates with Turkish citizenship who have completed their entire undergraduate education abroad can apply from the **Abroad Quota**,
- Applicants who completed their education in Turkey must apply from the **Domestic Quota**,

Domestic Quota	Abroad Quota	Foreign Language (YDS)	ALES	ALES Score Type
5	5	German Language Proficiency: 70	70	SÖZ/EA/SAY
5	5	English Language Proficiency: 70	70	SÖZ/EA/SAY

* In the absence of sufficient applications, the right to use the available quotas for other applicant groups is reserved.

** Students enrolled from the German quota are required to take a certain number of German courses.

*** Foreign applicants who completed their entire undergraduate education abroad must meet the Turkish language level requirement determined by the Institute Board.



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III. STUDENT ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must meet the requirements marked for the type of quota they are applying for.

	Domestic Quota	Abroad Quota
<p>1. Graduation from Higher Education</p> <p>Applicants for master's programs must have completed their higher education in Turkey or abroad.</p> <p>As of the application date, candidates must have a bachelor's degree or be a student in the last semester of their undergraduate education for conditional acceptance.</p>	✓	✓
<p>2. ALES</p> <p>Candidates who have completed their higher education in Turkey must have an ALES score of 70, which is the minimum score determined in at least one of the SAY, SÖZ or EA score types. (The validity period of the ALES Result Certificate is 5 years).</p> <p>Doctorate / proficiency in art / specialization in medicine / specialization in dentistry / specialization in dentistry / specialization in veterinary medicine / specialization in pharmacy graduates are not required to take ALES and the ALES score of candidates with these degrees is accepted as 70. These candidates can apply in a different field than the type of score they previously received or the field of doctorate / proficiency in arts / specialization</p> <p>Applicants applying from abroad are exempted from ALES. However, foreign applicants who have completed their education in Turkey must have a minimum ALES score of 70, which is the minimum score determined in at least one of the SAY, SÖZ or EA score types.</p>	✓	x
<p>3. Foreign Language Proficiency</p> <p>a. Candidates who will apply for the German quota must certify their German language proficiency level with YDS, e-YDS, YÖKDİL or a German language proficiency exam accepted by ÖSYM and equivalent to at least 70 points. (The validity period of Foreign Language Exams conducted by ÖSYM is 5 years. YDS, e-YDS or YÖKDİL result certificate is also valid for applications to Master's Programs with Thesis).</p>	✓	✓



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<p>DSH2 and DSH3 result certificates are also valid. (No validity period is required for the DSH exam).</p> <p>b. Candidates who will apply for the English quota must certify their English language proficiency level with YDS, e-YDS, YÖKDİL or an English language proficiency exam accepted by ÖSYM and equivalent to at least 70 points.</p> <p>(The validity period of Foreign Language Exams conducted by ÖSYM is 5 years. YDS, e-YDS or YÖKDİL result certificate is also valid for applications to Master's Programs with Thesis).</p> <p>c. Those who have studied in secondary or higher education institutions in a country where the medium of instruction is foreign language that spoken as the mother language in that country and attended by citizens of that country at least in the last three years of their education are exempted from the foreign language score requirement for application. Those who have completed a bachelor's degree programme at a domestic higher education institution that has conducted instruction in a foreign language designated as the language of instruction for at least the past three years are also exempt from the foreign language score requirement for application.</p> <p><u>For candidates who do not fulfill these requirements, a foreign language proficiency exam will be held by the Turkish German University.</u> <i>For Equivalency of Foreign Language Exams see the link below:</i> https://dokuman.osym.gov.tr/pdfdokuman/2021/GENEL/esdegerlikdokuman06042021.pdf</p>		
<p>4. Higher Education Cumulative GPA</p> <p>For application the Cumulative GPA of candidates must be minimum 2.25/4.00, according to Equivalency Table of YÖK 59.16/100.</p>	✓	✓
<p>5. Qualifications for Master's Degree Program: Professional Orientation</p> <p>In order to enroll in the program, it is required to be a graduate of the FACULTY OF LAW.</p>	✓	✓



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IV. ASSESMENT CRITERIA

The evaluation of the applications is carried out according to the following distribution. In order to be accepted to the program, a minimum score of 70 (seventy) is required.

	For Applicants Applying for Domestic Quota	For Candidates Applying for Abroad Quota
• ALES Exam Grade	50%	-
• Bachelor's Degree Cumulative GPA*	20%,	50%
• Oral Exam Grade	30%,	50%

*For applicants who do not have a bachelor's degree as of the application date, the transcript grade of the last (current) semester is taken into consideration.

After the evaluation of the applications, the results will be announced on <http://sbe.tau.edu.tr/> In addition, an acceptance letter with electronic signature will be sent to the accepted candidates via e-mail by the Institute of Social Sciences of our University.

V. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION

Applications will be made only electronically via the link https://obs.tau.edu.tr/oibs//ina_app/ between the specified dates.

Candidates are required to upload the information and documents required for the application to the system within the deadlines specified above.

Applications made by mail or in person will not be accepted.

The following application documents must be uploaded to the application system in .pdf format.

In case of any problems in the applications, it can be notified to sbe@tau.edu.tr. The candidate will be contacted when the e-mail is received.

	Domestic Student Quota	Foreign Student Quota
a) Application Form: pdf http://sbe.tau.edu.tr/tr/formlar	✓	✓
b) CV : pdf	✓	✓



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c) Identity Card: pdf	✓	✗
d) Passport: pdf	✗	✓
e) Photograph: Must be taken within the last six months. pdf	✓	✓
f) Bachelor's Degree Diploma: It is only required for applicants to document their graduation. Candidates from abroad quota can apply with a current transcript. They can submit their diploma samples or temporary graduation certificates at the final enrollment. <i>Early conditional applicants</i> must submit a current student certificate stating that they are a student in the last semester of their undergraduate education instead of a bachelor's degree. Candidates who cannot graduate before final enrollment date will not be registered even if they have won as main student.	✓	✓
g) Transcript: The transcripts of the candidates applying from abroad quota must be in English or German.	✓	✓
h) Foreign Language Certificate: YDS, e-YDS, YÖKDİL or a foreign language proficiency result certificate accepted by ÖSYM and equivalent to at least 70 points or DSH2 or DSH3 document. (.pdf) Those who have studied in secondary or higher education institutions in a country where the medium of instruction is foreign language that spoken as the mother language in that country and attended by citizens of that country at least in the last three years of their education are exempted from the foreign language score requirement for application. Those who have completed a bachelor's degree programme at a domestic higher education institution that has conducted instruction in a foreign language designated as the language of instruction for at least the past three years are also exempt from the foreign language score requirement for application.	✓	✓
i) ALES Candidates who are applying from the domestic quota must submit the original ALES document with the "Result Document Control Code" or the original of the equivalent exam result certificate accepted by YÖK.	✓	✗
j) Recognition of Foreign Higher Education Certificate:	✗	✓



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<p>The "Certificate of Recognition" to be obtained from the Council of Higher Education (YÖK) is mandatory for foreign applicants (including students with blue cards) who will apply for graduate education and for Turkish national applicants who have completed their education abroad.</p> <p>Turkish national candidates can access the necessary information on whether their higher education institutions abroad are recognized by the Council of Higher Education (YÖK) and the school recognition letter via e-government link.</p> <p>Foreign applicants and students with blue cards can access the necessary information on whether the higher education institutions abroad are recognized by the Council of Higher Education (YÖK) and the school certificate of recognition via the YÖK link.</p> <p>In case the higher education institutions abroad are not recognized by YÖK, the information and processes required for the application can be accessed via the YÖK link.</p>		
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VI. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR ENROLLMENT

- 1) The original undergraduate diploma or the graduation certificate approved by the graduated University must be submitted. Candidates who graduated from higher education institutions abroad must submit their diploma or graduation certificate with a Turkish translation made by a sworn translator and certified by a notary or consulate.
- 2) A notarized copy of the transcript showing the grades of all courses taken during undergraduate education and the graduation grade point average, or a copy certified by the relevant higher education institution. Candidates who graduated from higher education institutions abroad must submit their transcript documents with a Turkish translation made by a sworn translator and notarized or consulate certified and including the grade point average.
- 3) Candidates applying from the domestic quota must submit the original ALES document with the "Result Document Control Code" or the original of the equivalent exam result document accepted by YÖK,
- 4) Original YDS, E-YDS or YÖKDİL document with "Result Document Control Code" or original foreign language exam result document accepted as equivalent by YÖK or original DSH2 or DSH3,
- 5) "Certificate of Recognition" to be obtained from the Presidency of the Council of Higher Education for foreign applicants (including students with blue cards) and Turkish national applicants who completed their education abroad,
- 6) It is sufficient to show the original identity card during registration.
- 7) For foreign nationals - if any - a photocopy of the residence permit and a document showing the Foreign National Number,



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8) For foreign nationals, a photocopy of the pages of the passport showing identification information and validity period,

9) Bank receipt of the payment of the student contribution / tuition fee determined by the relevant legislation for candidates applying from the quota abroad,

Graduate student candidates who are accepted from abroad quota must pay **three times the specified contribution amount.**

For detailed information about tuition fee/contribution: <http://oidb.tau.edu.tr/tr/katki-payi-veogrenim-ucreti>

10) A military service status certificate showing that the candidates of Turkish nationality are discharged from compulsory military service.

11) For candidates of Turkish nationality who are research assistants at our university or other universities, an official document from their institutions.

IMPORTANT: Candidates should not be enrolled in more than one master's program (except non-thesis master's program) at the same time during enrollment. (In accordance with Article 35 (6) of the YÖK Graduate Education and Training Programs Regulation dated April 20, 2016) Candidates in such a situation can only enroll in our Institute if they deregister from the other higher education institution.

NOTE: For those who make false/incorrect statements and those whose documents are incomplete or falsified final enrollment won't be made, and even if they made their final registration, their enrollment will be canceled.

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