

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA RESEARCH
MASTER PROGRAM WITH THESIS
Application Requirements and Quota for Turkish and Foreign Students
Academic Year 2022-2023

1. IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Application Period	2nd May-10th June 2022
Application Pre-Evaluation Results	12nd June 2022
English Proficiency Exam*	13rd June 2022
Exam**	20-22nd June 2022
Announcement of Participants for Interviews	24th June 2022
Interviews***	27-29th June 2022
Publication of the Results	8th July 2022
Registration	The final registration date will be announced by the institute together with the announcement of the results.
Beginning of the Term	See Academic Calendar 2022-2023: http://oidb.tau.edu.tr/de/lisansustu

*(To be done by the Foreign Language Center.)

****(It is foreseen for the Heads of the Departments that will hold the Written Science Exam. If the Head of the Department takes the Written Science exam, the results must be reported to the Institute on 23 June 2022 at the latest. The Departments that will not hold the written science exam can hold an interview on this date.)**

*****(Interviews can be made online if necessary. The relevant statement will be made on 24.07.2022. The results of the interview must be reported to the institute on 30 June 2022 at the latest.**

2. QUOTAS

- Applicants with a Turkish Bachelor's degree and Turkish citizenship must fulfill the application requirements for *Turkish applicants*.

- Applicants holding a non-Turkish Bachelor’s degree – no matter which citizenship they have – and all foreign applicants must fulfill the application requirements for *foreign applicants*.

Turkish Student Quota	Foreign Student Quota	Foreign Language (YDS)	ALES	ALES Point Type
15	5	YDS/ e-YDS/ YÖKDİL: 65 (or an equivalent test result) Turkish-German University, School of Foreign Languages English Exam Result: 65	65	EA
<p>* If there are not enough applications, the right to use the available quotas for the other application group is reserved. ** Language of Instruction is English.</p>				

3. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must adhere to the marked conditions for the type of quota they are applying for.

	Turkish Applicants	Foreign Applicants
3.1 Bachelor’s Degree The successful completion of a Bachelor program in Turkey or abroad is required.	✓	✓

<p>3.2 ALES – Academic Personnel and Postgraduate Education Entrance Examination</p> <p>Turkish applicants are required to have scored at least 65 points in the EA point type in the Turkish Entrance Examination (ALES). The ALES exam result is valid for 5 years.</p> <p>Foreign applicants do not have to provide an ALES score.</p> <p>Applicants who have completed their PhD/ Competence in Arts/ Expertise in Medicine/ Expertise in Dentistry/ Expertise in Veterinary Medicine/ or Expertise in Pharmacy are not required to provide an ALES score, and the ALES score of these applicants will be taken as 65 points.</p> <p>The results of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) examinations are accepted instead of the ALES exam. The GRE and GMAT exams are valid for 5 years.</p> <p>For the equivalent exam scores of GRE and GMAT with ALES, the ALES, GRE and GMAT equivalence table released by the Turkish-German University Senate (09.05.2018; No:24; Decision No: 2018/24) is used.</p> <p>See also: http://3fcampus.tau.edu.tr/uploads/cms/sbe.tau/5332_2.pdf.</p>	✓	–
<p>3.3 Foreign Language Requirements</p> <p>The language of instruction is English. Applicants have to provide English language scores or English language proficiency certificates. Applicants must have scored at least 65 points from one of the YDS, e-YDS or YÖKDİL exams or must have scored an equivalent score to 65 points in one of the accepted international English language exams.</p> <p>For an overview of accepted equal exams and scores by the Turkish Higher Education Authority please see: https://dokuman.osym.gov.tr/pdfdokuman/2016/GENEL/EsdegerlikTablosu25022016.pdf.</p> <p>For the validity of the other examinations, the validity period specified by the examiner is taken into consideration. If a validity date is not indicated on the result document, the validity period of the exam score is considered as 5 years.</p> <p>Applicants, who spend at least three years in an English-speaking country and have completed their secondary or higher education in institutions of this country, where English is defined as the instruction language, are exempted from the foreign language score requirement.</p> <p>For applicants who do not fulfill these requirements an English language proficiency exam will be organized by the Foreign Language School of the Turkish-German University. In order to</p>	✓	✓

apply to the program, it is required to have at least 70 points from this exam.		
3.4 Grade Point Average The application does not require a specific Grade Point Average (GPA).	✓	✓
3.5 Qualification for the Master’s Degree: Subject – Specific Requirements To be eligible for admission to the career guidance program, students must have a degree in one of the following fields: Economics, Political Science, Administrative Science, International Relations, European Studies, Humanities and Social Sciences, Linguistics, Literary Studies, Document Management, Information Systems, Engineering (with basic knowledge of economics), Industrial Engineering, Communication Studies (Journalism, Public Relations, Radio, TV, Cinema, New Media, etc.) and and Design fields (communication design, visual communication design, architecture, industrial design, graphic design etc.) and comparable fields.	✓	✓

4. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Applications are evaluated according to the following weighting. To qualify for the registration to the program, applicants are required to obtain at least 70%. For the GRE and GMAT exam scores the equivalent ALES score is used.

	Turkish Applicants	Foreign Applicants
ALES score or an equivalent exam scores	50%	–
Grade Point Average	20%	50%
Interview Score	30%	50%

The results will be announced at www.tau.edu.tr after the applications of the candidates are evaluated. In addition, an acceptance letter electronically signed by the Institute of Social Sciences of the University will be sent to the accepted candidates by e-mail.

5. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Applications will only be submitted electronically between the specified dates via the link https://obs.tau.edu.tr/oibs/ina_app/. Applicants are expected to upload the information and documents required for the application into the system within the deadlines indicated above.

Applications made by post, e-mail or in person will not be accepted.

The below mentioned list of application documents must be uploaded into the application system completely in pdf format. If there are any problems with the application process, these can be reported to the Social Sciences Institute by sending an email to sbe@tau.edu.tr.

	Turkish Applicants	Foreign Applicants
a) Application Form: pdf See: http://sbe.tau.edu.tr/tr/ortak-formlar	✓	✓
b) Identity Card: pdf	✓	–
c) Passport: Copy of Passport (pdf)	–	✓
d) Photos: Two photos taken in the last six month	✓	✓
e) Bachelor’s Degree Diploma: pdf	✓	✓
f) Transcript of Records (ToR): For foreign applicants the ToR must be either in German or in English language.	✓	✓
g) Language Proficiency Copy of YÖKDİL, YDS, e-YDS or equivalent exam results.	✓	✓
h) Copy of ALES or equivalent examination result (pdf)	✓	–
i) Recognition of the Foreign University Foreign applicants including “Blue Card” holders and Turkish citizens with a foreign Bachelor degree must provide a recognition certificate which is prepared by the Turkish Higher Education Council (YÖK). This document can be obtained from the Equivalence Office (Denklik Okul Tanıma Ofisi) of the Turkish Higher Education Council (YÖK). The information on whether the foreign university is recognized by the Council of Higher Education (YÖK) will be provided after	–	✓

<p>the signed application is submitted to YÖK by hand or by post. For the application form see: https://denklik.yok.gov.tr/Documents/Okul_Tanima%20Dilekce%20Örneği_28.02.2018.pdf.</p> <p>Correspondence Address: Council of Higher Education (CoHE) 06539 Bilkent/Ankara</p> <p>Turkish students, whose registrations are taken with the recognition certificate, are required to submit the equivalence certificates from the Higher Education Council to our University until they graduate from the graduate program in which they are registered.</p> <p>The equivalence certificate can also be obtained via “e-Devlet”. Turkish citizens living abroad must apply to the embassies and consulates in order to obtain the “e-Devlet” password. T.C. Citizens, “Blue Card” holders and foreigners with foreign identification numbers are given “e-Devlet” password in Foreign Representatives.</p>		
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6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

1.	The original graduate diploma or the graduation certificate approved by the graduated university must be submitted. Candidates who have graduated from foreign universities must submit their diploma or graduation certificates in Turkish translation by a sworn translator and notarized by the notary or by the consulate.
2.	The notarized or by the graduated university approved transcript of records including all courses taken during the study. Candidates graduated from foreign universities must submit their transcripts in Turkish translations made by sworn translators and notarized by the notary or by the consulate including the GPA.
3.	Candidates who apply from the Turkish applicant quota must submit the ALES score internet printout or original result document of an equivalent exam.
4.	YÖKDİL, YDS or e-YDS score internet printout or original result document of an equivalent exam.
5.	Foreign applicants including “Blue Card” holders and Turkish citizens with a foreign Bachelor degree must submit a recognition certificate prepared by the Turkish Higher Education Council (YÖK) or taken from “e-devlet” (https://www.turkiye.gov.tr/).
6.	Showing the identity card during registration is sufficient.
7.	For foreign citizens – if existing – a copy of residence permission and foreign citizen identity card number.
8.	Photocopy of passport identification documents and pages showing the validity period of visa for foreign applicants. (Applicants who certify that they have a valid residence permit will not be asked for a student visa during registration.)

9.	Post-graduate student candidates who have settled abroad, must pay three times the amount of the tuition fee determined. For more information about tuition fee see also: http://oidb.tau.edu.tr/de/katki-payi-veogrenim-ucreti .
10.	Turkish applicants should submit a document indicating that they are not affiliated with the military service.
11.	Turkish citizens who are a research assistant at our university or other universities should submit an official document received from their institution.

NOTE: The registration of applicants making false statements and submitting falsified documents will be canceled even if the registration has been done.