



SCHOLARSHIP AND DISCOUNT REGULATIONS

(Regulation under Articles 10(2)(3), 16(2) of the Establishment and Operational Regulations of Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design)

SECTION ONE

Purpose, Scope, Basis, and Definitions

1. Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this regulation is to regulate the procedures and principles regarding the scholarship and discount process at Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design.

- (1) This regulation covers the provisions regarding scholarship and discount procedures at Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design.
- (2) The purpose of this regulation is to improve the quality of education, reward successful students, and support students' interests in sports and the arts.

2. Basis

This regulation is called the "Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design Scholarship and Discount Regulation" and is enacted by the University Senate.

PART TWO

Scholarships and Discounts

3. ARUCAD Entrance Scholarships

Students placed in ARUCAD's scholarship programs by the Evaluation, Selection and Placement Center (ÖSYM) through the Transition to Higher Education Exam (YGS), Undergraduate Placement Exam (LYS), or Vertical Transfer Exam (DGS), or placed in scholarship programs determined by the Board of Trustees based on the entrance and scholarship exam administered by ARUCAD for TRNC citizens and Turkish citizens and have completed their entire high school education (four years without interruption) in TRNC high schools and graduated, are exempt from tuition fees for the duration of their studies, in proportion to the scholarship they were placed in. The scholarship only involves the tuition fee waiver. Students who withdraw from their placement program lose their scholarship eligibility.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to determine new scholarship rates for students transferring between programs. Furthermore, the Board of Trustees has the authority to determine scholarship rates for Turkish

citizens transferring internally or externally, in accordance with the principles of Appendix Article 1, and to determine or change scholarship rates for students accepted into graduate programs. (*Amendment; Senate No: 2024/03, Date: 09/05/2024*)

4. Third-Country Student Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded to international students based on scholarship rates determined annually by the University Board of Trustees. These scholarships cover tuition fees only.

5. Achievement Scholarship

A scholarship of 20% to 40% of the tuition fee is provided to associate and undergraduate students who have completed the first two semesters of their program, excluding the preparatory class, and who have completed the specified semester course load. Students who rank in the top three in their program are eligible for scholarships, provided they have a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.50 or higher out of 4.00 and a minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.00. For students with the same semester grade point average (GPA), the ranking is based on the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA). Students with both the semester grade point average (GPA) and the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) are eligible for scholarships in the same category.

First Place: 40%

Second Place: 30%

Third Place: 20%

Achievement scholarships are semester-based and are evaluated at the end of each semester based on the criteria mentioned above.

6. Preference Discount

Students placed by ÖSYM (Student Selection and Placement Center) in programs offered by faculties based on their top three choices may receive a discount equal to a percentage of their tuition fee. The programs eligible for the preference discount and the order in which the scholarship will be awarded may be renewed annually by decision of the Board of Trustees. (*Amendment: Senate No: 2024/03, Date: 09/05/2024*)

7. Athlete Discount

This scholarship is awarded to an athlete who, representing ARUCAD, achieves first place individually or as a team in a sporting event at a level approved by the Board of Trustees, or who is actively involved in sports at one of ARUCAD's Sports Clubs and has achieved national recognition in their respective field. This scholarship is granted to an athlete on the condition that they maintain an active and successful athletic career at the University. Athlete discounts are valid for two semesters. The discount covers all or part of the tuition fee. The scope and terms of the discount are determined each academic year by the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the Rectorate.

8. Sibling Discount

If siblings are enrolled in and studying at the university's programs, each receives a 10% discount on their tuition. After one sibling graduates, the other sibling's discount continues.

9. High School Top Student Discount

Top students who are eligible to enroll in any of the university's programs and hold a TRNC high school or equivalent graduation degree with honors, or top students who have graduated from a Turkish high school and are placed in any of ARUCAD's undergraduate programs through the ÖSYM's top student quota, will receive a 25% discount on their tuition fees.

10. TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technology Research Council of Türkiye) and International Science Boards Scholarship

Students who participate in TÜBİTAK projects or International Science Olympiads on behalf of TÜBİTAK while in high school and win gold, silver, or bronze medals in their field receive a scholarship equivalent to 50% of their tuition fees.

11. Discounts Applied to Turkish and Third-Country Citizen Students Graduating from TRNC High Schools

The tuition fee for students with Turkish or Third-Country citizenship who graduated from a TRNC high school and are registered with ARUCAD is the same as that of TRNC citizens.

For foreign students who have completed their high school education in Turkey, the tuition fee is the same as that of TRNC citizens. *(Amendment; Senate No: 2024/03, Date: 09/05/2024)*

12. Martyrs' Discount

Children of martyrs who qualify to study at ARUCAD receive a 100% tuition discount.

13. Discounts for ARKIN Group and ARUCAD Employees and Their Children

Spouses and children of ARKIN Group and ARUCAD employees receive a 20% discount on their tuition fees.

14. Discounts for Individuals with Disabilities

With the approval of the Board of Trustees, students who are TRNC citizens with a disability of 40% or more, and whose disability has been documented by relevant institutions, are granted a 50% tuition discount on their tuition fees, provided they meet the ARUCAD admission requirements.

15. Discounts for Members of Education and Security (Military and Police)

Teachers or instructors (including retirees) who are placed in any undergraduate program by ÖSYM and who are working in the field of education, and children of military and police officers, are granted a 10% discount on their tuition fees.

16. Research Assistant Scholarships

These scholarships will be for the research assistants enrolled in graduate programs, according to the rules determined by the Rectorate and approved by the Board of Trustees.

17. Social Equity and Inclusion Scholarships *(Amendment; Senate No: 2025/07, Date: 01/10/2025)*

To strengthen equal opportunities and increase inclusiveness in education, the University may implement special scholarship and discount policies for the following groups:

- (a) Students affected by war, disaster, famine, or similar extraordinary circumstances,
- (b) Students from low-income countries,
- (c) Newly settled refugees,
- (d) Individuals subject to gender-based discrimination,
- (e) Ethnic minorities and groups underrepresented in higher education,
- (f) Female students, particularly those studying in fields with low female representation, such as STEM.

Students in this category may receive:

- (a) full or partial scholarships,
- (b) special discounts,
- (c) housing, food, or book support.

The procedures and principles for scholarships and discounts are determined each year upon the recommendation of the Rectorate and the decision of the Board of Trustees.

18. Disciplinary Actions

In the event of disciplinary action, the decision regarding scholarship application is made by the Board of Trustees, after consulting the Dean or Director, and with the approval of the Rectorate.

19. Duration of Scholarships

Scholarships and discounts, excluding achievement scholarships, continue for the duration of study.

20. Multiple Discounts

A student cannot benefit from more than one scholarship or discount (except for ARUCAD Entrance Scholarships and Third Country National Student Scholarships. Additional discounts are applied to these scholarships). Students who meet more than one discount criterion or criteria will be granted the discount that best benefits the student.

PART THREE Other Matters

21. Other Matters

In cases not specified in these regulations, or that may arise during the implementation of these regulations and are not explicitly stated in these regulations, the Board of Trustees may make decisions on the matter.

22. Entry into Force

These regulations shall enter into force on the date of their approval by the Senate of Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design.

23. Execution Authority

The Rector of Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design shall execute the provisions of these regulations.