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SOCIAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF ANKARA
2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
ADMISSION APPLICATION GUIDE

SOCIAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF ANKARA		
2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION CALENDAR		
	Start Date	End Date
Application Period	02.05.2025	04.07.2025
Evaluation by the International Student Admission Commission	04.07.2025	14.07.2025
Announcement of Results	28.07.2025	
Sending of Acceptance Letters to Admitted Students	28.07.2025	04.08.2025
Final Registration Period	21.08.2025	29.08.2025
Announcement of Waiting List Results	01.09.2025	02.09.2025
Final Registration for Waiting List Candidates	01.09.2025	02.09.2025

QUOTAS

	FACULTY	DEPARTMENT / PROGRAMME	TOTAL QUOTA
1	POLITICAL SCIENCE	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (English)	10
2	POLITICAL SCIENCE	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (English)	10
3	POLITICAL SCIENCE	ECONOMICS (English)	10
4	POLITICAL SCIENCE	POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (English)	6
5	LAW	LAW (30% English)	3
6	ISLAMIC STUDIES	ISLAMIC STUDIES (30% Arabic)	8
7	FOREIGN LANGUAGES	ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (English)	5
8	FOREIGN LANGUAGES	JAPANESE TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING (30% Japanese)	10
9	FOREIGN LANGUAGES	RUSSIAN TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING	10
10	SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES	PSYCHOLOGY (English)	3
11	SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES	SOCIOLOGY (English)	4
12	SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES	HISTORY (English)	2
13	SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES	TURKISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (30% English)	2
TOTAL QUOTA			83

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must either be in the final year of their secondary education (high school) or have already completed secondary education.

1. Only international students who meet the following eligibility criteria will be considered:

- a. Citizens of foreign countries
- b. Applicants who were Turkish citizens by birth but have obtained permission from the Ministry of Interior to renounce their Turkish citizenship, including those who are listed as minors on the certificate of renunciation and who can provide documentation verifying their rights under the Turkish Citizenship Law

Note: Article 7 of the Turkish Citizenship Law No. 5901 states, “*A child born within a marriage where either the mother or father is a Turkish citizen is considered a Turkish citizen.*”

- c. Dual nationals who have subsequently obtained Turkish citizenship
- d. Turkish citizens who began their secondary education abroad before 1 February 2013 and completed the final three years of their education in a foreign country (excluding the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus-TRNC). This includes those who completed their high school education in Turkish schools operated under the Ministry of National Education in countries other than the TRNC.
- e. Turkish citizens who began their secondary education abroad after 1 February 2013 and completed their entire high school education in a foreign country (excluding the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus-TRNC). This includes those who completed their high school education in Turkish schools operated under the Ministry of National Education in countries other than the TRNC.
- f. Nationals of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) who currently reside in the TRNC and have completed their entire secondary education within the TRNC education system
- g. TRNC nationals who were enrolled in colleges or high schools abroad between 2005 and 2010 and obtained GCE A-Level examination results during that period.

2. The following candidates are ineligible to apply as international students:

- a. Turkish citizens who completed their entire secondary education (high school) in Türkiye or the TRNC
- b. TRNC citizens, *except* for the following:
 - Those who completed their entire secondary education in TRNC high schools and obtained GCE A-Level results
 - Those who were enrolled in and attended colleges or high schools abroad between 2005 and 2010 and obtained GCE A-Level examination results.
- c. Dual citizens whose first nationality at birth is Turkish, as defined in **Article 1.b** (except those who meet the criteria set out in **Articles 1.d and 1.e**)

- d. Dual nationals, one of whose nationalities is from the TRNC, except for those who:
- Completed their full secondary education in TRNC high schools and obtained GCE A-Level results
 - Were enrolled in and attended colleges or high schools abroad between 2005 and 2010, and obtained GCE A-Level examination results
- e. Turkish citizens who studied at:
- Schools affiliated with foreign embassies in Türkiye
 - Foreign schools located in Türkiye
- f. Those whose first nationality by birth is Turkish and hold dual nationality, as described in **Article 2.b.**

Applications

The application requirements, calendar, and guide are available on the ASBU International Office website. Candidates can apply for undergraduate programmes online via the International Student Application page of the Social Sciences University of Ankara. All online applications submitted through the ASBU website are processed in accordance with the application calendar. Applications are evaluated by the Admission Commission.

Minimum Scores for Application

International students must meet minimum score requirements for admission to the University. These may include international examinations, national exams, and certificate scores. The accepted qualifications are detailed in the document titled “List of Acceptable International/Local Examinations and Diplomas for International Students,” which is updated annually by the University Senate.

Please note that high school graduation exam results remain valid indefinitely, whereas University Entrance Exam results are valid for two years.

Evaluation of the Applications

The International Student Admission Commission at ASBU evaluates applications within a predetermined quota. Required international examination scores are set by the University Senate and are listed in the Social Sciences University of Ankara (ASBU) List of Acceptable International/Local Examinations and Diplomas for International Students. This list also specifies country-specific score requirements as approved by the Senate.

Candidates who have both national exam scores and YÖS results are given priority. Graduation scores from secondary education are also accepted for evaluation. The Senate determines the acceptance limits and/or rates for YÖS exam scores and secondary education results, which are published in the Social Sciences University of Ankara (ASBU) List of Acceptable International/Local Examinations and Diplomas for International Students.

You can access the Social Sciences University of Ankara (ASBU) List of Acceptable International/Local Examinations and Diplomas for International Students at the following link:

https://oidb.asbu.edu.tr/sites/idari_birimler/oidb.asbu.edu.tr/files/inline-files/ASBU%20Uluslararası%C4%B1%20S%C4%B1nav%20Listesi.doc_0.pdf

Note: Applications from candidates who do not meet the application requirements will not be evaluated. Meeting the application requirements does not ensure that a candidate will be registered. The final list of students eligible to register is determined by the University Executive Board.

Announcement of Results

Application results will be announced on the websites of the Registrar's Office and the International Office. Candidates will be informed of the results by the International Office. Candidates who are eligible for registration will receive an Acceptance Letter from the International Office, specifying the exact registration dates. Registration is managed by the Registrar's Office.

Please note that registration cannot be completed online or by post. Candidates must register in person. If a candidate is unable to attend in person, they may authorise a representative to register on their behalf, provided the representative holds a power of attorney issued in the presence of a notary public.

Tuition Fee

Tuition fees are updated annually and determined by the University Administrative Board. The fees for the upcoming academic year have not been finalised. Once confirmed, they will be announced at the following link: <https://oidb.asbu.edu.tr/en/node/355>.

For the 2025-2026 academic year, tuition fees for international undergraduate students at ASBU will be set by the relevant regulations outlined in the Presidential Decree. Please note that tuition fees are non-refundable if a student cancels their registration after it has been completed.

As of 2022, Blue Card holders are no longer funded by the Presidency of Turks Abroad and Related Communities for tuition fees. These students must pay their tuition fees.

International students admitted through the International Theology programme, coordinated by the Türkiye Diyanet Foundation, will have their tuition fees covered by the Foundation, as specified in the relevant Presidential Decree.

Registration

The Registrar's Office conducts registrations on the dates specified in the academic calendar, following the evaluation results of the ASBU International Student Admission Commission.

Documents Required for Final Registration:

1. Letter of acceptance
2. Original certificate(s)/diploma(s) and transcript(s) and their Turkish Embassy/Consulate or notary-approved official translations into Turkish (an apostille must be attached to each original diploma and transcript of a student who comes from a country that is a party to the Apostille Convention)
3. MEB equivalence certificate (*Students who do not have an Equivalence Certificate are required to apply via <https://edenklik.meb.gov.tr/> and deliver a printout of the application form.*)
4. Original document of identification (e.g., the identification page of your passport) and its Turkish Embassy/Consulate or notary-approved true copy
5. Bank receipt for the first instalment of the tuition fee or the certificate of scholarship (*The tuition fee must be paid at the time of registration.*)
6. Citizens of countries who do not qualify for a visa exemption through bilateral agreements or a decree from the Council of Ministers must obtain a student visa through a Turkish Consulate or Embassy, or hold a valid residence permit
7. Four biometric photographs
8. Proof of foreign language proficiency (*for programmes with a foreign language as the medium of instruction*)
9. Proof of foreign language proficiency (*for programmes taught in Turkish*)
10. Application form
11. An official enrolment letter from the Turkish Language Teaching Centre (TÖMER), if the student is required to attend a Turkish language course
12. Candidates enrolling in the Russian Translation and Interpretation programme, which is entirely taught in Russian, must provide a proficiency exemption document in either Turkish or Russian at final registration.
13. The requirements specified in the Application Guide for the relevant academic year must be fulfilled.

Note: International students enrolled in undergraduate programmes taught in a foreign language must submit proof of Turkish proficiency at a minimum of the B1 level. This proof must be issued by the Turkish Language Teaching Centre (TÖMER), Language Education Application and Research Centres (DİLMER), or TYS Turkish proficiency exams affiliated with Turkish universities. The document should be submitted to the academic unit where the student is enrolled by the end of their eighth semester.

Note: For any inquiries regarding registration, please contact the Registrar's Office.

Residence Permit

You can access the required documents for the residence permit at the Registrar's Office at the following link: <https://oidb.asbu.edu.tr/en/uluslararasi-ogrencilerin-ikamet-izni>.

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

Programmes Offered in Turkish

International students applying to undergraduate programmes in Turkish are required to submit proof of English proficiency.

Exemptions:

Foreign students who have graduated from a secondary education institution in Türkiye after completing at least three years of education are exempt from the Turkish language proficiency requirement. All other candidates must provide a certificate demonstrating at least a C1 level of proficiency in Turkish. This certificate can be obtained through recognised Turkish language proficiency exams such as TÖMER or DİLMER.

Note: For undergraduate programmes conducted in Turkish, proficiency in one foreign language recognised by the Council of Higher Education may also be required, depending on the programme.

Programmes Offered in English

Students enrolled in programmes where English is the medium of instruction are subject to the regulations outlined in the Social Sciences University of Ankara School of Foreign Languages Foreign Language Teaching and Examination Regulations.

International students applying to undergraduate programmes taught in English are required to submit proof of English proficiency.

Exemptions:

- Candidates who have graduated from programmes where English is the medium of instruction, or from secondary education institutions in countries where English is the native or official language, are exempt from providing proof of foreign language proficiency. This exemption applies regardless of whether they completed their secondary education in Türkiye or abroad.

Candidates must achieve the required scores on a recognised foreign language examination (see table below) to be eligible to start their undergraduate programme.

English Language and Literature						
Proficiency Test (English)	TOEFL IBT	CAE	CPE	PTE	Oxford Test of English & Oxford Test of English Advanced	Cambridge Linguaskill General
75	84	C	C	67	115	165

Russian Translation and Interpretation	
Proficiency Test (Russian)	TORFL
75	75-83 points range from Level 3

Other Programmes						
Proficiency Test (English)	TOEFL IBT	CAE	CPE	PTE	Oxford Test of English & Oxford Test of English Advanced	Cambridge Linguaskill General
70	79	C	C	59	111	161

Programmes Offered in a Language Other than Turkish or English

International students applying to undergraduate programmes taught in a language other than Turkish or English are required to submit proof of proficiency in that language.

- Foreign language proficiency is not required from candidates who have graduated from secondary education programmes taught in the relevant language, either in Türkiye or abroad, or from secondary education institutions in countries where the relevant foreign language is native or official.
- Candidates who achieve a sufficient score in any of the foreign language examinations specified in the table above are eligible for enrolment in the undergraduate programme.

Note: Candidates who do not submit documentation for any of the language exams listed above will be placed in foreign language preparatory programmes for up to four semesters. Registrations of international undergraduate students who fail to meet any of the requirements will be withdrawn at the end of their second year.