

**REGULATIONS ON CONTINUING UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION OF THOSE WHO WERE GRADUATED FROM ONE OF HIGHER VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS AND WERE GRADUATED FROM ONE OF ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE PROGRAMS OF THE OPEN EDUCATION FACULTY**

**AIM**

Article 1 – The aim of this regulation is to specify the rules and the principles to be applied for the vertical transfer of successful graduate students who were graduated from one of higher vocational schools and were graduated from one of associate's degree programs of the open education faculty.

**Scope**

Article 2- This Regulation contains principles regarding the vertical transfer of students who successfully graduated from vocational high schools and one of associate's degree programs of the open education faculty, to formal education and undergraduate education programs of the open education faculty.

**Basis**

Article 3- This regulation was prepared for the clause (e) of article 7 of the Higher Education Law no. 2547 and clause (e) which was added to the article 45 of Law no. 4702.

**Terms of Application for Vertical Transfer**

Article 4 (Abolished:RG-16/12/2007-26732)

**Vacancy**

Article 5- Vacancy is provided in undergraduate programs for students who graduated from vocational high schools and associate degree programs of open education faculty, so as to enable their vertical transfer to the undergraduate programs similar to the area they graduated from. The vacancy cannot be less than ten percent of the number of students who continued and graduated from vocational schools without taking the exam. For those who possess the requirements for the vertical transfer from vocational high schools and associate degree programs of open education faculty to formal education undergraduate programs, taking into consideration which programs are to be opened, graduates of which programs of open faculty and vocational schools could apply to the programs to be opened, the vacancies of these programs and the types of marks to be used in placement to these programs, and also the ideas and suggestions of the universities which will accept vertical transfer will be decided and announced by Council of Higher Education.

**Exam Manual and Application Procedures**

Article 6- (Changed: RG-20/5/2006-26173)

Student Selection and Placement Center (OSYM) prepares a manual every year, showing which undergraduate programs the graduates of vocational schools and open education associate degree graduates and those who are in their last year and met their graduation conditions except for apprenticeship can apply for, the conditions for these programs and the number of students to be accepted to these programs. In this manual, rules and principles are included regarding the processes to be executed by management of vocational high schools and by the units to which open education associate degree programs are connected, how the applicants can apply, how they will make choices of undergraduate programs, the exam and the evaluation and placement processes. This manual becomes valid with the approval of the Council of Higher Education. The management of vocational schools and the units to which open education associate degree programs are connected are responsible for checking and approving whether the application forms are consistent with the conditions of this Regulation, sending the application form to OSYM after the end of application period and finalizing the senior students' graduation processes until the last week of July and whether applied or not

and whether graduated or not, filling in the grade point averages of students to the lists which were sent in electronic environment and sending them to OSYM.

#### Exam and Evaluation

Article 7-Applicants who meet the requirements and accept the terms mentioned in this Regulation are taken into an aptitude test consisting of verbal and quantitative sections. In placement, the grades of applicants which they got in the aptitude test and their weighted academic grade point averages in their vocational school or associate degree program of open education faculty, according to the rules defined in the manual and aptitude test results. How the Vertical Transfer Exam Grade will be calculated after adding the Weighted Associate Degree Success grades is defined by OSYM and is placed in the Vertical Transfer Exam Manual.

#### Placement

Article 8- (Changed: RG-19/9/2009-27354)

OSYM places the applicants who meet the requirements to undergraduate programs, taking into account the placement grades and undergraduate program vacancies and terms, and the choices of applicants made after the announcing of University Selection Exam. (Added Sentence: RG-29/7/2011-28009) For applicants who were placed with central placement as the result of the Vertical Transfer Exam of the previous year, the coefficient applied to the related weighted associate degree is decreased a certain amount determined by the Council of Higher Education. If needed, additional placement can be made for vacancies after placement with the decision of the Council of Higher Education.

#### Undergraduate Education

Article 9- (Changed together with the title: RG-29/8/2011-28009)

For students who obtained the right to start undergraduate education, taking into account the lessons they had taken in associate degree programs by universities will be given exemption to those lessons accepted as equal, lessons which the students need to take are determined. The students are given the right to continue the education, making the registration to the program according to the lessons they need to take. In programs with compulsory foreign language and programs with a compulsory foreign language preparatory class, students have to pass the foreign language proficiency exam or must be successful in the foreign language preparatory school. In foreign language preparatory class and during undergraduate education, students are subject to education regulations of the university. The language of instruction of programs with at least 30% foreign language or completely foreign language, students who failed the foreign language preparatory class can be placed in higher education programs with Turkish instruction, within the scope of the Regulation For Teaching Foreign Language in Higher Education Institutes and Principles To Be Adjusted In Instructions In Foreign Language published in the Official Journal dated 4/12/2008 and no.27074. Vertical transfer students may continue their education according to the provisions of Article 44 of Law No. 2547.

#### Entering Open Education

Article 10- (Changed: RG-29/7/2011-28009)

The 7<sup>th</sup> article is not applied to students who graduated from vocational schools and associate degree programs of open education faculty and want to continue open education undergraduate programs with no vacancy limits in their own area. These applicants have the right to directly register to their own area. Students are subject to the education and exam regulations of their university and have every student right except for military service probation processes. Graduates of which programs from vocational schools and associate degree programs of open education faculty can apply for which open education undergraduate program is decided by the Council of Higher Education with the suggestions of universities

and information regarding the websites through which the students can obtain these information will be placed in Vertical Transfer Exam Manual. The application and registration conditions of open education undergraduate programs are determined by the relevant university and are announced to the applicants.

#### Repealed Regulation

Article 11- After the date this regulation comes into effect, the regulation “Continuation of Graduates of Vocational Schools and Open Education Faculty Associate Degree Programs to their Undergraduate Education” which was published in the Official Journal dated 15/10/1999 with No. 23847 is repealed.

#### Temporary Article 1- (Attachment:RG8/1/2006-26047)

In accordance with the 9<sup>th</sup> article of this Regulation, students who failed the Foreign Language Preparatory Class and deregistered can apply to the Presidency of the Council of Higher Education in two months after the publication of this Regulation to make use of their right for placement in a higher education institute with Turkish instruction.

#### Coming Into Effect

Article 12- This regulation comes into effect as of the date of publication.

#### Implementation

Article 13- The operations of this regulation are implemented by the President of the Council of Higher Education.