REGULATIONS

From Kadir Has University:

KADIR HAS UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS
FOR ASSOCIATE AND UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

PART ONE
Aims, Content, Legality and Definitions

Aims
ARTICLE 1 – (1) These regulations stipulate the guidelines concerning education for associate and undergraduate degree programs administered by faculties and units at Kadir Has University.

Content
ARTICLE 2 – (1) These regulations contain the guidelines for the admission of students to Kadir Has University and the drafting and implementation of associate and undergraduate programs of education including preparatory years, as well as guidelines for exams, leave of absence, withdrawal from a program of study and procedures for the granting of diplomas.

Legality
ARTICLE 3 – (1) These regulations adhere to the tenets as stipulated in Articles 14 and 44 of Higher Education Law 2547, dated 4/11/1981.

Definitions
ARTICLE 4 – (1) The definitions of the following terms in these regulations are as follows:

a) ECTS: The European Credit Transfer System which allows students to transfer the credits and grades of courses they took and successfully passed in domestic and international institutions of higher education between these institutions.

b) Unit: Faculty, college or vocational school at Kadir Has University.

c) Advisor: A faculty member who has been appointed to advise students for their education, course registration and similar issues.

D) Dean: Deans of faculties at Kadir Has University.

e) Diploma program: A program of higher education which grants associate or undergraduate degrees to students who meet the requirements of the faculty, college or vocational school.

f) Related unit committee: For faculties of Kadir Has University, this is the faculty committee; for schools, this is the school committee; and for vocational schools, this is the vocational school committee.

g) Related unit administrative board: The administrative board of the faculty, school, or vocational school at Kadir Has University.
h) Undergraduate education: A program of higher education, based on secondary education, which consists of at least eight semesters.
   i) Director: The director of schools/vocational schools at Kadir Has University.
   j) Student Affairs Office: A unit headed by the Rectorate which processes all paperwork concerning students.
   k) Associate degree education: A program of higher education, following on from secondary education and continuing for at least four semesters to provide vocational skills or constitute the first stage of undergraduate education.
   l) SSPC (ÖSYM): Student Selection and Placement Center.
   m) Rector: The Rector of Kadir Has University.
   n) Rectorate: The Rectorate of Kadir Has University.
   o) Senate: The Senate of Kadir Has University.
   p) University: Kadir Has University.
   q) University Administrative Board: Kadir Has University Administrative Board.

PART II

Student Affairs, Registration Procedures, Associate and Undergraduate Degree Program Transfers and Course Exemptions

Student affairs
   ARTICLE 5 – (1) The Student Affairs Office processes all aspects of registration, renewal of registration, dissolution of relationship with the University, course and credit transfer, diplomas, course enrollment, associate and undergraduate degree program transfers, and similar issues. In cases of necessity, a student’s unit may be able to process some of these issues.

   (2) Disciplinary issues for students are carried out in accordance with the articles of the Higher Education Institutions Student Disciplinary Regulations published in the Official Gazette dated 18/08/2012 and numbered 28388.

Registration
   ARTICLE 6 – (1) To register at the university, students must pass the SSPC exam related with the associate and undergraduate program and/or relevant skills exam. Procedures regarding the acceptance of students from abroad are carried out in accordance with the principles specified by the Senate.

   (2) Individuals who are eligible for registration must complete their registration in person at the registration tables in the Student Affairs Office by the dates declared by the SSPC, and must bring the documents listed in the registration guidebook as well as the documents requested by the university. If a student has a valid excuse, then that student’s registration may also be completed by a legal representative or by a representative designated by a warrant of attorney issued by a notary.

   (3) Registration cannot be made with incomplete documents or by mail. Students who have not completed their registration by the designated deadline forfeit all rights.

   (4) Students who have not paid the tuition fees before the deadline stipulated by the Rectorate are not allowed to register.
(5) Originals, or approved copies of original documents, are accepted for registration. Documentation of military service and criminal records are processed upon the submission of a declaration by the candidate.

(6) The registration of applicants who submit any tampered documents, or who were found to have cheated on the university entrance exam, will be cancelled as of the date of registration, and legal action will be taken against those individuals. If such a student has left the University, all documents issued to him/her, including the diploma, are cancelled. Tuition fees paid by such students are not returned.

Language of Instruction

ARTICLE 7 – (1) At Kadir Has University, the language of instruction at the undergraduate programs is fully or partially English (English or a combination of Turkish and English) or fully Turkish; while at the associate programs it is fully Turkish.

English proficiency

ARTICLE 8 (1) Individuals studying at undergraduate programs where the language of instruction is English (English or a combination of Turkish and English) must demonstrate the required level of English language skills.

(2) Students must provide documentation indicating that they have received the required English language proficiency score from an exam whose equivalence is accepted and whose validity period is in line with that specified by the Senate. Scores for these exams must be valid according to the terms stipulated by the Senate. The exam centers where these exams are taken must also be approved by the Senate. Students must submit documentation of their English-language skills during the application process in order to start their undergraduate studies. Students who do not provide an internationally valid language proficiency document must take the English proficiency exam of the University and in order to start their undergraduate studies they must receive the required score from this exam as stipulated by the Senate.

(3) Students who do not provide an internationally valid language proficiency document or have not taken or have failed the English proficiency exam of the University must attend the English preparatory program of the University.

(4) The terms indicated above also apply to students who have transferred or changed majors and begun studies at faculties in which the language of instruction is fully or partially English (a combination of Turkish and English).

English-language preparatory year

ARTICLE 9 – (1) Foreign language education is implemented by Kadir Has University School of Foreign Languages according to the terms of the Regulation Concerning Foreign Language Education and Instruction in Foreign Language at Institutes of Higher Education as stipulated in the 49th article of Law 2547 which was published in Official Gazette #27074 on 4/12/2008 as well as principles specified by the Senate.

(2) Students who successfully complete the English Preparatory Program are eligible to begin their undergraduate education. Students who provide documentation of the required level of English language proficiency during their studies at the English Preparatory Program may begin their undergraduate education at the beginning of the following semester.
(3) Maximum allowed period of study at the English Preparatory Program and the procedures for withdrawing from the program are conducted according to the terms indicated in the 44th article of Law 2547 and specified by the Senate.

**Student identity cards**

**ARTICLE 10** – (1) A student identity card indicating that the individual is a student of Kadir Has University is issued to students who have successfully completed registration. If this card is lost, an announcement concerning its loss must be posted in a local or national newspaper; this announcement must then be attached to the request for a new card, which must be submitted to the Student Affairs Office. A new student identity card is then issued to the student for a fee determined by the Rectorate.

(2) Students who have left, who have been expelled, whose registration has been cancelled, or who have graduated from the University must return their student identity cards which will then be kept in their files.

**Tuition**

**ARTICLE 11** - (1) All programs of study at the university are subject to tuition fees. The amount of the annual tuition fee to be paid for a whole academic year which consists of autumn and spring semesters is determined annually by the Board of Trustees.

(2) Tuition fees are increased annually by the Board of Trustees based on the rate of inflation and other economic factors.

(3) With the exception of the English preparatory program, tuition fees for students who are registered in associate and undergraduate programs of study and students who have exceeded the normal period of studies and, students who are eligible to take exams at the end of the maximum allowed period of studies are determined by the Board of Trustees according to the terms of Articles 44 and 46 of Law 2547.

(4) Students who have not paid their tuition fees by the deadline specified by the Rectorate may not renew their registration. These students do not hold rights as students of the University.

(5) If students who have registered or renewed their registration at the beginning of the academic year decide to withdraw from the University for any reason before the beginning of the semester, they must pay one quarter of the annual tuition fee. Students who have withdrawn, been expelled, or graduated from the University, or students whose registration has been cancelled, are not eligible to receive a reimbursement of the tuition fees they have paid.

(6) Tuition fees for exchange students are determined according to the terms of the agreements signed between the two institutions.

**Renewal of registration**

**ARTICLE 12** – (1) Students must renew their registration every semester during the period specified in the academic calendar.

(2) Students must have paid all of the tuition fees for the previous semesters as well as the current semester to renew their registration. Students who do not fulfill this requirement are not permitted to renew their registration. These students do not hold privileges as students of the University.

(3) Students who have paid their tuition fees must complete their course registrations with the approval of their advisors for the course program they created from courses stipulated
for the semester. Students are responsible for the entire operation of registration renewal and selecting courses and are fully responsible for completing their course registrations. Students who complete the process of taking courses are deemed to have renewed their registration.

(4) Students who exceed the standard period of studies are not deemed to have renewed their registration until they pay their tuition fees upon completing their course registration having taken the approval of their advisors for their course program.

(5) Students who have completed all of the required coursework in their curriculum but who must complete an internship in order to graduate must renew their registration every semester by the date specified in the academic calendar. For semesters in which the student is doing only an internship, he/she pays one eighth of the tuition fee.

(6) Students who do not renew their registration within the time period specified are not eligible to register for courses and exams and do not hold privileges as students of the University.

(7) Semesters where the student has not renewed his/her registration are calculated into the period of education as specified in Law 2547. Students may renew their registration for the following semester as long as they pay one quarter of the tuition fee for the semester in which they did not register.

(8) If students do not renew their registration for four consecutive semesters by not paying the tuition fee, their relationship with the University may be dissolved with the decision of the University Administrative Board and the approval of the Higher Education Committee.

(9) Renewal of registration for students who have participated in exchange programs can be done on dates other than those stipulated in the academic calendar with the approval of the related unit’s administrative board.

Registration for transfer students

ARTICLE 13 – (1) Transfers from institutes of higher education in Turkey and abroad to diploma programs at the University, or transfers between diploma programs within the University are carried out according to the terms of the articles of the Regulations for Transfer within Associate and Undergraduate Degree, Double Major Degrees, Minor Degrees, Inter-university Credit Transfer, and Undergraduate and Associate Degree Education, which were published in Official Gazette #27561 dated 24/4/2010, as well as according to the regulations specified by the Senate.

(2) Transfers from associate degree programs to undergraduate degree programs are carried out according to the terms of the Regulations Concerning the Continuation of Graduates of Associate Degree Programs and Distance Associate Degree Programs to Undergraduate Programs as published in Official Gazette #24676 dated 19/2/2002, as well as according to the regulations specified by the Senate.

Exemption from courses; course and credit transfer

ARTICLE 14 – (1) Exemption from courses, as well as course and credit transfer of students who have transferred to the diploma programs of the University either from Undergraduate or Associate degrees are carried out in accordance with the Regulations for Transfer within Associate and Undergraduate Degree Programs; Double Major Degrees; Minor Degrees; Inter-university Credit Transfer; and, Undergraduate and Associate Degree Education published in the Official Gazette dated 24/4/2010 and numbered 27561 as well as
the Regulations Regarding the Undergraduate Degree Education of Graduates of Vocational Schools and Associate Programs of Open Education published in the Official Gazette dated 19/2/2002 and numbered 24676 as well as the principles specified by the Senate.

(2) Students who are entitled to register for an associate or an undergraduate program at Kadir Has University by way of transfer or by taking the student placement exam following either the dissolution of their relationship with an institution of higher education before the end of their studies or their graduation from such an institution can apply for exemptions from equivalent courses taken and passed at their previous higher education program. Exemption from courses as well as course and credit transfer of such students are carried out in accordance with the regulations specified by the Senate. In order to be eligible to graduate from an undergraduate program students whose course and credit transfer is made within the framework of this article must be registered at the University for at least four semesters. This period is at least two semesters for an associate program.

(3) Students who have been exempted from courses according to the clauses above may not take those courses again.

Visiting student status

ARTICLE 15 – (1) Visiting students are students from programs of other higher education institutions who are granted the permission to attend courses at the University to develop their knowledge and skills.

(2) The administrative board of a program of study determines how many and which courses a visiting student can take upon the recommendation of the department chair.

(3) Individuals who take courses as visiting students do not receive a diploma, title, or credits for the courses they have taken. Visiting students are issued a document indicating the courses they have taken as well as the grades they received for those courses.

(4) Tuition fees for visiting students are specified by the Board of Trustees and scaled according to the number of course credits that they take.

PART III

Regulations Concerning Education and Instruction

Academic calendar

ARTICLE 16 – (1) The university’s academic calendar is based on the recommendations of departments and the decision of the Senate.

(2) The academic calendar indicates the dates for the start and end of semesters, midterm and final exams, payment of tuition, renewal of registration, suspension of registration, transfers between undergraduate programs, and transfers from associate to undergraduate degrees and similar dates.

Types and Models of Education

ARTICLE 17 – (1) The university provides formal and public education, as well as distance education through the use of communications technologies.

(2) The university may offer distance learning education programs for associate and undergraduate degrees; the courses for these programs are planned and implemented via communications technologies which do not require that the lecturer and students be in the same physical space.
**Academic Semesters**

**ARTICLE 18**— (1) Education at the university is organized around a semester system.

(2) In the academic year, there are fall and spring semesters.

(3) A semester consists of at least seventy days excluding dates for mid-term exams, Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, public holidays, and final exam dates do not count in the calculation of that period of time.

(4) The university Senate has the right to offer courses for Turkish language, foreign language, and Ataturk’s Principles and History of Revolution, as well as other courses determined by the Senate, at times other than those normally reserved for in-class instruction, including Saturdays and Sundays which are not national or public holidays. These courses may be offered via distance education through the use of communications technologies.

(5) In addition to the fall and spring semesters, the university may offer summer education upon the recommendation of the Senate and the approval of the Council of Higher Education; such programs are implemented according to the terms of the concerned regulations and the terms specified by the Senate.

(7) Summer education is not calculated into the eight semesters of undergraduate education and the four semesters of associate education, and the academic calendar and tuition for the summer education is independently drafted.

**Curricula and courses**

**ARTICLE 19**— (1) Education may consist of a combination of any of the following: theoretical courses, multi-disciplinary courses taught by more than one department, modules, seminars, practical work, project and studio work, laboratory work and workshops, implementations, internships, drawings, field work, graduation projects and the likes. Term projects, studio projects, graduation theses/projects may be included in the curriculum in the category of elective or compulsory courses from the third semester onwards. The rules and regulations concerning the conduct, completion and acceptance of term projects, studio projects, graduation theses/projects as well as their organization as sequential or prerequisite courses are determined by proposals made by the Faculty or School and the ratification of the Senate.

(2) Education is carried out according to curricula where course titles and weekly course hours are indicated for each semester.

(3) All work carried out in a given program of study is accepted as courses bound to the stipulations in these Regulations.

(4) The credit value for each course is specified in the curriculum. Course credits are specified by the Senate according to: the type of degree; the credit values determined for the proficiency required for that field; the number of hours for theoretical and applied courses, and the hours required for other required activities; the contribution of the relevant course for the requisite knowledge, skills and competence for the field of the students who will graduate from the program.

(5) The course schedules of departments determined according to the curricula approved by the Senate get announced to students at the beginning of each academic year.

(6) In the curricula of undergraduate programs of the University elective courses bearing the code KHAS, whose content and details are specified by the Senate, are included. All students including students who have changed majors or transferred into a program are
required to take and pass at least one of these courses in order to graduate from the program they are registered to.

(7) The program of study may require that students undertake a compulsory internship to graduate. The requirements for internships are determined by the university Senate based on the regulations concerning internships.

(8) Double major and minor programs may be opened in accordance with the related regulations and the principles specified by the Senate.

Compulsory and elective courses

ARTICLE 20 – (1) The courses in the curricula are comprised of compulsory and elective courses. Compulsory courses are courses the students must take, and elective courses are courses they can choose to take among those offered.

(2) Elective courses can be taken singly from curricula of all departments or from specified course groups. Elective courses are proposed by each department and must then be approved by the Senate; the same process is used to remove them from curricula. Related unit administrative boards may set minimum and maximum quotas for the numbers of the students who can register to elective courses.

Compulsory common courses

ARTICLE 21 – According to clause (ı) of the first paragraph of Article 5 of Law 2547, compulsory common courses are: The Principles of Atatürk and the History of the Revolution; Turkish Language; and; Foreign Language. These courses must be scheduled as credit courses at least for two semesters in the curriculum of students.

Course registration and Add/Drop procedures

ARTICLE 22 – (1) Students must register for courses every semester by the deadline indicated in the academic calendar. Students must get their advisors’ approval of their course registrations.

(2) Every course student register for must correspond with their curricula. Students may take courses which are not included in their curricula with the approval of their advisors and the decision of the related unit’s administrative board but the credits and grades from such courses will not be included in their GPA calculations. No applications may be made for the credits and grades obtained from such courses to be included in GPA calculations. However, in order to graduate students must obtain a pass grade from any such courses taken.

(3) Students must register for all of the courses stipulated in the first semester of their curriculum with the exception of courses for which they have obtained exemptions.

(4) The third article does not apply to students who successfully complete the English preparatory program at the end of the first semester and become eligible to start their undergraduate studies by the second semester; students who transfer to a diploma program of the University with their central placement score in the second semester and; students who are placed at the second or a higher semester as a result of their course exemptions and course and credit transfer.

(5) In a given semester, students may add or drop each course one time on the condition that they don’t exceed their credit loads; add/drops must be approved by the student advisor and completed by the deadline announced in the academic calendar.

(6) Students may withdraw from courses in their curriculum, except for the first semester, up to the deadline announced in the academic calendar for each semester, with the
approval of their advisor. Students may withdraw from a maximum of one course in a given semester. During the course of their studies they can withdraw from a maximum of two courses in associate degree programs and from a maximum of five courses in undergraduate degree programs. Students can only withdraw from courses they are taking for the first time. Courses from which the student has withdrawn are deemed as not taken and get indicated as a Ç (Withdrawal) in their transcript.

(7) Because of the large number of courses students must take, either as the first time or as repeat courses, they may not be able to take all the courses in the curriculum of a given semester. Nonetheless, students are required to complete their studies within the timeframe stipulated.

**Student advising**

**ARTICLE 23** – (1) Each student must be assigned a professor or a lecturer by the related unit who is responsible for advising him/her. Advisors monitor students during their studies and advise them about the compulsory and elective courses required for associate and undergraduate degrees, or double major and minor degree programs. Students select their courses with the advisor during registration and renewal of registration, and they must get their course programs approved by their advisors.

(2) If an advisor cannot be present at the university during the registration period due to a valid reason, she/he notifies the department chair with a letter, whereupon a professor or a lecturer will be appointed temporarily to substitute for her/him and the student will be notified about this modification.

**Determining which semester/school year a transfer student will start his/her studies from**

**ARTICLE 24** – (1) The process of determining which semester/school year a transfer student will start his/her studies from is based on the total credit amount of courses he/she has previously accomplished.

(2) Students start their associate or undergraduate studies as first semester/first year students. For a student to be eligible to continue his/her studies into the next semester of the curriculum, the credit amount he/she has previously accomplished must be equivalent to 80% of the cumulative sum of the nominal credit load of the previous semesters in his/her curriculum including his/her current semester.

(3) The academic year of students whose semester has been determined in accordance with the third article are accepted as follows: first and second semester students are first year students; third and fourth semester students are second year students, fifth and sixth semester students are third year students; seventh and eighth year students are fourth year students.

(4) Determination of the semester/year of students who start their studies from a higher semester following course exemption procedures is based on the semester/year the students began their studies from in accordance with the principles stipulated in the second and third articles.

(5) Procedures and principles regarding the implementation of the regulations outlined in this article are stipulated by the Senate.
Nominal and maximum credit load

ARTICLE 25 – (1) The nominal credit load indicates the number of credits planned for in the curriculum for the current semester of the student.

(2) The maximum course load is 6 credits above the nominal credit for students who have a minimum GPA of 2.00.

(3) Students cannot exceed the nominal credit load in the first two semesters of their associate and undergraduate studies. Students who start from the second semester due to course exemptions cannot exceed the nominal credit load in their first semester. This rule does not apply to students who start from the third or higher semesters due to course exemptions.

(4) Students may not exceed the maximum credit load in the following semesters with the exception of students who are under probation or who are in the category of unsuccessful students as stipulated in the second clause of this article.

(5) A department’s administrative board may increase the credit load of students by up to six additional credits if these students will then be able to graduate by the end of their current semester by taking the extra credits.

PART IV

Evaluation, Exams, Suspension of Studies, Dissolving of the Relationship with the University and Withdrawal from a Program of Study, Diplomas

Course attendance and grading

ARTICLE 26 – (1) Within the framework of principles stipulated by the related faculty, school or vocational school, students are required to attend courses and participate in laboratory work and applied studies, as well as take exams and participate in other works designated by course instructors during the semester.

(2) Students must attend 70% of classes and 80% of independent applied studies, such as labs and workshops. Course attendance is tracked and controlled by the instructor of the course.

(3) Students who do not meet the attendance criterion are not permitted to take final exams or re-take exams. Such students are given a VF grade for the course and a list of these students is announced within the last week of the courses.

(4) The periods in which students have been tasked with representing the University in sporting events, culture and arts activities and competitions, as well as the preparation periods for these activities when these students cannot attend their classes are not taken into account in the calculation of attendance.

(5) Students are required to attend classes for repeated courses, take mid-term and final exams, and must complete all the other requisite course assignments regarding education throughout the semester. The mid-term and final exam scores from the previous semester of the repeated courses are not taken into account.

(6) In evaluating students, mid-term exams, quizzes, field work, applied work, assignments, projects, workshops, seminars, attendance, laboratory work and other related semester activities constitute a minimum of 40% and a maximum of 60% of the final course grade; the final exam grade constitutes a minimum of 40% and a maximum of 60% of the final course grade.
At the beginning of the courses every semester, the course instructor announces the types of activities that will be carried out in the course during the semester and the final exam for the course and the grade distribution for these. All grades for class assignments and exams during the semester are announced by the instructor.

**Letter Grades**

**ARTICLE 27** – (1) Course instructors give grades to students based on an evaluation of their performance in mid-term exams, activities carried out during the semester and the final exam by also taking the overall performance of the class into account. Students are given the following grades:

(2) The coefficient of the letter grades are as follows:

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(3) The course instructor announces students’ grades through SPARKS (Student Portal, Academic Registration and Knowledge System) within the time frame stipulated in the academic calendar.

(4) Course grades are as follows:

a) A student who receives AA, BA, BB, CB, CC or G passes the course.
b) A student who receives a DC or a DD passes the course conditionally. In the case that a student’s Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) is 2.00 or above, these courses do not have to be repeated.
c) A student who receives an FF or a K fails the course.
d) A student who receives a VF fails the course for insufficient attendance.

(5) Other grade symbols are as follows:

a) An “E” grade (Incomplete) is given to students who, due to a health problem or another compelling reason, could not complete the required assignments for graduation thesis, graduation project, graduation assignment, internship, field work, laboratory work, thesis, project work, presentation and for similar courses which do not have a final exam. Students who receive an E must submit the incomplete assignments and receive a grade within 15 days after the announcement of grades as stipulated on the academic calendar. If they do not fulfill these requirements, then the grade will automatically become an FF. The deadlines indicated above can be extended in accordance with the recommendation of the department chair and the approval of the relevant Institute’s administrative board.
b) A “G” grade (pass) is given to students who pass a non-credit course or a course that is given on a pass/fail basis. This grade is not used in the calculation of the GPA.
c) An “S” grade (continuing) is given to students for credit and non-credit courses which last longer than one semester and for which the student has demonstrated satisfactory performance in semesters prior to the semester in which the letter grade will be given. This grade is not used in the calculation of the GPA.

c) A “C” grade (withdrawal) is given for courses from which a student withdraws. This grade is not used in the calculation of the GPA.

d) A “T” (repeat) grade indicates that a course has been repeated. When an elective course is replaced by another elective with the approval of the advisor, it is also indicated with a T.

e) An “H” (excluded) grade indicates that a course is not included in calculations of the GPA.

f) A “TR” (transfer) grade is used for transfer courses, taken by students who transferred between programs within the University or who participated in an exchange program, which are accepted as being equivalent by the administrative board of the unit upon the recommendation of the department directorate.

g) An “M” grade indicates courses from which the student is exempt.

h) A “K” grade is given to students for non-credit courses which last longer than one semester to indicate that the student is unsuccessful from the course by the semester in which the final letter grade is given.

(i) A “BÜT” grade is given to students who could not take the final exam despite having met the criteria specified in these Regulations and also to students who have been unsuccessful in the final exam.

j) A “DN” grade is given to students for courses which they have previously taken and passed in another institution of higher education and which are used for exemption from a course in the curricula of the University’s associate and undergraduate programs in the Cumulative Grade Point Average (AGNO) calculations are specified by the Senate.

Semester GPA and Cumulative GPA

ARTICLE 28 – (1) The Semester Grade Point Average (AYNO) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (AGNO) are calculated as follows:

a) The Semester Grade Point Average (AYNO) is calculated by multiplying the coefficient of the grade obtained for the course that semester with the number of credits of the course and then dividing this number by the total credits. The final result is rounded to two decimal points.

b) The Cumulative Grade Point Average (AGNO) is calculated by multiplying the coefficients of grades of all courses taken in all semesters of study with the number of credits of each course and then adding up the results obtained and then, dividing this by the total number of credits. The final result is rounded to two decimal points.

(2) Courses for which a student receives a G and non-credit courses are not included in the Grade Point Average.

(3) Principles regarding the inclusion of grades for courses which the students have previously taken and passed in another institution of higher education and which are used for exemption from a course in the curricula of the University’s associate and undergraduate programs in the Cumulative Grade Point Average (AGNO) calculations are specified by the Senate.
For courses that have been repeated either to repeat a failed course or to increase the grade received from a course, the grade received for the most recently taken course is valid. In calculating the Semester Grade Point Average and Cumulative GPA, the previous grade or grades are not taken into account.

**Raising the Cumulative GPA**

**ARTICLE 29** – (1) Students who would like to raise their cumulative GPA may repeat courses with the approval of their advisors on the condition that they do not exceed the maximum number of credits their studentship status requires.

**Successful, under academic probation and unsuccessful student statuses**

**ARTICLE 30** – (1) A student whose cumulative GPA at the end of a semester is 2.00 or above is deemed successful. However, these students have to re-take the courses which they have failed.

(2) A student whose cumulative GPA at the end of a semester falls below 2.00 gets placed under academic probation.

(3) A student whose cumulative GPA falls below 1.80 for two consecutive semesters is deemed unsuccessful in the following semester. This status of unsuccessful student does not apply to associate programs where the period of education is four semesters.

(4) A student under academic probation may not exceed the nominal credit load stipulated for that semester in his curriculum.

(5) Unsuccessful students must primarily take the courses which they failed in the previous semesters and which are opened in their current semester provided that they are not exceeding the nominal credits stipulated for that semester in their curriculum. If they wish, students can also take the courses which they conditionally passed in the previous semesters (letter grade DD or DC) provided that they are not exceeding the nominal credits. If they cannot cover their nominal credit load with the courses they are obliged to take, they can take a maximum of two courses from the previous semesters which they have never taken before.

(6) Students who are under academic probation continue their studies in the successful student status in the next semester if they raise their cumulative GPA to a minimum of 2.00 at the end of the semester they spent under academic probation. Students who are in the unsuccessful student status continue their studies under academic probation if they raise their cumulative GPA above 1.80 but under 2.00 at the end of the semester which they spent in the unsuccessful student status. Students who are in the unsuccessful student status continue their studies in the successful student status in the next semester if they raise their cumulative GPA to a minimum of 2.00 at the end of the semester which they spent in the unsuccessful student status.

(7) Students under academic probation and unsuccessful students may not be a representative or administrative board member of the Student Council at the University.

(8) When students are under any form of academic probation, that period of time is included in the overall period of study.

**Exams**

**ARTICLE 31** – (1) Exams include mid-term exams, make-up exams, final exams, re-take exams and single course exams.
(2) Exams may be written or oral, written and oral or can be done in application. In cases when only an oral exam is given a written document indicating the exam date, time and place, questions asked to the student and the grade given must be prepared.

(3) Exams are carried out in line with the program prepared and announced by the units. Students must present their student identity cards when they take exams.

(4) Exams cannot be given in places other than the University’s buildings. Only exams given within the framework of distance learning programs in the fields of information and communication technologies may be carried out off-campus and, exams for courses and applications which are conducted based on fieldwork in accordance with the decision of the related unit administrative board may also be carried out off-campus.

(5) If necessary, exams may be given at times other than normal working hours or on Saturdays and Sundays which are not national or public holidays, in accordance with the decision of the related unit boards.

(6) In accordance with the rules determined by the administration of the unit, written exam papers and other related documents must be kept for two years and at the end of this time period they must be appropriately destroyed and documented.

(7) All exams testing proficiency, level or course performance can be paper-based and administered simultaneously, or can be carried out electronically using a question database which is classified in terms of area and levels of difficulty; when administered in this manner each examinee must receive a different question at a different time from the question database.

(8) Students are deemed to receive a zero (0) from a given exam if a disciplinary investigation related with the exam results in the decision of any of the following offenses specified by the Institutes of Higher Education Student Disciplinary Regulations: “attempting to cheat in exams”, “cheating or making someone cheat in exams”, “cheating in exams by threat, preventing someone from throwing a cheating student out of the exam room, getting someone else take the exam instead of oneself or taking an exam to replace someone else.”

**Mid-term exams**

**ARTICLE 32** – (1) A mid-term exam is an exam given during the semester of a course which is part of a course plan of the related associate or undergraduate program of study.

(2) Every course must have at least one mid-term exam every semester.

(3) If a student does not take a mid-term exam of a course without a valid excuse, then he/she receives zero (0) for the mid-term exam and the course grade is calculated accordingly.

(4) A student who did not take the mid-term exam for a given course may still take the final exam.

**Final exams**

**ARTICLE 33** – (1) A final exam is the exam given at the end of the semester in which the course was taught.

(2) To be eligible to take the final exam of a course, a student must:

a) Have attended at least 70% of classes for theoretical courses.

b) Have attended at least 80% of applications for applied courses.

(3) Students who do not meet these criteria are given a grade of VF from that course.

(4) Students who do not take the final exam are deemed to have failed the related course.
**Retake exams**  
**ARTICLE 34**–

1. A retake exam is an exam given to replace the final exam at the end of the semester in which the course was given. This exam is for students who have not taken the final exam despite meeting the criteria for taking it as stated in these Regulations or who have taken but failed it.

2. A student who does not take or who takes but fails the retake exam is given a grade of FF.

3. No retake exams are provided in place of any graduation thesis, graduation project, graduation assignment, internship, fieldwork, lab hours, thesis, project work, presentation and similar courses.

4. No retake exams are provided for conditionally passed (letter grades DD, DC) courses.

5. No retake exams are given for summer education courses.

**Make-up exam**  
**ARTICLE 35**–

1. A make-up exam is an exam given in place of a mid-term exam.

2. A student who misses a mid-term exam due to health or other justified and valid excuses may take a make-up exam if her/his excuse is accepted by the Administrative Board of the relevant unit.

3. The Senate determines the rules and regulations concerning whether or not a health report and/or other valid excuse grants a student the right to take a mid-term exam.

4. A student who fails to take a final exam or a retake exam will not be given the opportunity of taking a make-up exam in place of the exam he/she missed.

5. Students who are unable to take a mid-term exam, final exam or a re-take exam because they have been tasked with representing the University in sporting events, culture and arts activities or competitions, or because of the preparation periods for these activities may take a make-up exam with the approval of the University Administrative Board.

6. Students may not take exams that are administered during periods in which they are on sick leave or official leave of absence; any exam grades received during these periods are not valid.

7. A student who misses a make-up exam given on the announced date is not given the right to take another make-up exam.

**Single-course exam**  
**ARTICLE 36**–

1. If a student within the maximum allowed period of studies with a GPA of 2.00 or above does not meet the graduation criteria only because of one unpassed course as stipulated in these Regulations he/she is given the right for a single-course exam.

2. If a student within the maximum allowed period of studies has completed all of the requirements for graduation as stipulated in these Regulations yet his/her GPA is below 2.00 and is unsuccessful only in one course and if will be able to increasehis/her GPA to a minimum of 2.00 with the contribution of the grade he/she will get from the single-course exam of that course, then he/she is granted the right to a single-course exam.
(3) In order to be eligible for the right for a single-course exam the students within the scope of the first and the second clauses must have met the attendance requirements of the course they failed as specified in the second clause of the 33rd article of these Regulations.

(4) Single-course exams are offered after the fall and spring semester re-take exams. At the end of the summer education single course exams may be offered for students who meet all the criteria for graduation outlined in the first, second and third articles.

(5) Students who want to take the single-course exam must apply to the appropriate unit in writing within the time frame stipulated in the academic calendar. Administrative board of the related unit examines the related students’ situation taking into account the students’ advisors opinions, and make a decision regarding the single-course exam applications.

(6) For the single course exam, course success is based solely on the single course exam score.

(7) Students within the maximum allowed period of studies who fail the single-course exam or cannot increase their GPA over 2.00 get registered to the course in the following semester if it is offered. In the case that the course is not offered, the student may take the next single-course exam whose date is announced in the academic calendar. Students who do not register to the course do not have to pay any tuition fee. However, these students do not hold rights as students of the university.

(8) Articles regarding make-up and re-take exams do not apply to single-course exams.

**Grade increasing exam**

**ARTICLE 37** – If a student within the maximum allowed period of studies who has been successful from all courses but cannot complete all of the requirements for graduation as stipulated in these Regulations because his/her GPA is below 2.00, then he/she is granted the right to an additional exam from one of the courses he/she has passed conditionally, on the condition that he/she will be able to increase his/her GPA to a minimum of 2.00 with the contribution of the grade he/she will get from this exam.

(2) Grade increasing exams are offered after the fall and spring semester re-take exams, together with single-course exams. At the end of the summer education grade increasing exams may be offered for students within the maximum allowed period of studies who meet all the criteria for graduation outlined in the first article. The grade increasing exam gets offered on the same date with the single-course exam.

(3) Students who want to take the grade increasing exam must apply to the appropriate unit in writing within the time frame stipulated in the academic calendar. Administrative board of the related unit examine the related students’ situation taking into account the students’ advisors opinions, and make a decision regarding the single-course exam applications.

(4) At the end of the grade increasing exam performance of the student for the related course is specified solely based on the score of the grade increasing exam.

(5) Students within the maximum allowed period of studies who have been not been able to increase their GPA to a minimum of 2.00 upon grade increasing exam are subject to articles about course repetition.

(6) Articles regarding make-up and re-take exams do not apply to grade increasing exams.
Material error objection

ARTICLE 38 – (1) Students may raise objections to the appropriate unit in writing to challenge their exam results on the basis of material error within three work days of the announcement of exam scores or the overall course grades.

(2) Material error indicates errors which do not require a re-evaluation of the exam paper. No assessment or re-evaluation other than for material errors is carried out for exams whose scores have been announced.

(3) The related unit notifies the course instructor about the objection. The course instructor examines the objection and informs the related unit regarding its result. In the case that a material error has been found out and a change in the exam score or the overall course grade is necessary, the course instructor must submit a document reporting the causes of the error and the grounds of the change to be made, supplemented with the exam document. The related unit administrative board makes a decision regarding the student’s objections and the course instructor’s evaluation within a week. In objections regarding exam scores the administrative board notifies the student with the result via the related unit. In cases when the overall course grade gets changed, the related unit notifies the Student Affairs Office with the decision to be entered into the SPARKS.

Period of study and rights to additional exams

ARTICLE 39 – (1) The period of study is eight semesters for undergraduate programs and four semesters for associate programs excluding the amount of time spent in the English preparatory program.

(2) The amounts of time spent in the summer education are not included in the period of study specified in the first article.

(3) Regardless of whether or not the students have renewed their registration every semester, students must graduate from their program of study within 4 years for associate degrees and 7 years for undergraduate degrees, excluding the period spent at the foreign language preparation year and starting from the semester when the courses of the program they are registered to begin.

(4) Periods in which students have been suspended from the university are calculated into the total period of study.

(5) If students who are entitled to register for an associate or an undergraduate program at the University by taking the ÖSYS exam following either the dissolution of their relationship with an institution of higher education before the end of their studies or their graduation from such an institution apply for exemptions from equivalent courses taken and passed at their previous higher education program and they get exempted from courses, then their virtual number of semesters is reduced from their maximum allowed period of studies. This virtual number of semesters is calculated by dividing the total number of credits of the courses they have been exempted from by 17.

(6) By the end of the maximum allowed periods of study stipulated in the third article:

a) Students in their last year are granted the right for two additional exams for all the courses they failed. Students who are able to reduce the number of their unsuccessful courses by five as a result of these exams are given three extra semesters time of study for these five courses. Students who have been unsuccessful from up to five courses and who have not taken
additional exams are given four extra semesters of time. Students who have been unsuccessful from one course are granted unlimited right to take the exam of that course however, these students do not hold rights as students of the university.

b) If a last-semester student who has received passing grades from all courses but does not have the required GPA in order to be deemed successful and because of this his/her relationship with the university may be dissolved then he/she is granted an unlimited right to take the exams of courses of their choice in order to increase their GPA. No attendance is required for these courses except for those which are applied, which have applications and which have not been taken by the student before.

c) If a student does not take the abovementioned exam for three semesters in total, in row or not, then he/she is deemed to forfeit his/her unlimited right to take the exam and cannot benefit from this right. Students who are to use unlimited right to take exams continue paying a tuition fee for each course the amount of which is specified by the Senate. However, these students do not hold rights as students of the university except for taking exams.

**Suspension of studies**

**ARTICLE 40** – (1) Students’ studies may be suspended with the approval of the University Administrative Board in accordance with the terms below:

a) For health reasons, as demonstrated by a health report which is in line with the principles specified by the Senate.

b) When education is suspended in accordance with the decision of the Council of Higher Education due to events which may disrupt education, as indicated in Paragraph 3 of Sub-clause 2 of Clause D of Subsection 1 of Article 7 of Law 2547.

c) When a student must suspend studies because of a natural disaster. This must be verified in a document issued by the highest local authority where the disaster occurred.

d) When a student provides documentation that she/he will travel abroad for foreign language studies.

e) When a student is subject to a ruling which, in accordance with Institutes of Higher Education Student Disciplinary Regulations, does not require expulsion from an institution of higher education.

f) When a student, for any reason, loses the right to a suspension of mandatory military service and is required to complete his military service.

g) If a student is arrested.

h) If other situations arise which are deemed legitimate and valid by the University Administrative Board.

(2) Students may suspend studies for a maximum of two semesters for one valid reason and a maximum of four semesters during their total studies at the University.

(3) Students must apply for suspension of studies within the time frame stipulated in the academic calendar. When this time frame is over students must apply for suspension of studies within fifteen days from the date when a compelling reason arose.

(4) Students may apply to the Student Affairs Office to have their studies suspended by filling in the suspension of studies request form and handing in appropriate documentation outlining their legitimate and valid reasons for requesting their suspension of studies. The University Administrative Board makes the decisions regarding applications for suspension of studies.
Upon activation of the suspension of studies, students do not receive back the documents which they submitted when they first registered to the University. The period of time granted for a suspension of studies is not calculated into the maximum allowed period of studies indicated in Article 44 of Law 2547. During the period of suspension of studies, students are not given the right to repeat laboratory hours, applied work, or final exams; no final exams are offered to them. Upon expiration of the suspension of studies, students continue their studies from the point at which they took leave.

For the suspension of studies request to be processed the student must pay one fourth of the tuition. If this payment is not made within two weeks from the decision of suspension of studies, suspension of studies decision will be invalid retrospectively.

Students are not eligible for University scholarships during suspension of studies.

**Dissolution of relationship with the University and leaving**

**ARTICLE 41** – (1) Students’ relationship with the University will be dissolved under the following conditions:

a) When a student requests to have his registration cancelled,

b) When a student is subject to the ruling of expulsion from an institution of higher education in accordance with the Institutes of Higher Education Student Disciplinary Regulations,

c) When a student, for any reason, transfers to another institute of higher education,

d) When a student cannot accomplish to complete the English language preparatory program within two years,

e) When a student does not pay his/her tuition fee for four semesters in row within the standard period of study,

f) When a student can not achieve the status of last year student within the maximum allowed period of study,

g) When a student is unsuccessful at the end of the exams specified in the sixth clause of the 39th article of these Regulations.

If a student whose relationship with the University is dissolved requires a document showing his/her registration status this can be obtained by applying in writing to the Student Affairs Office. Among the documents a student submits to the University during registration only the high school diploma is given back to his/her with a note on the back side of it indicating the processing.

When a student’s relationship with the University is dissolved, the terms stipulated by the Senate regarding tuition fees are applied.

**Temporary document of graduation**

**ARTICLE 42** – (1) Upon provision of written and signed applications by students, a temporary document of graduation, including the relevant diploma information is provided to the student. The date and number of this document is recorded. A copy of the document is kept in the student’s file.

(2) The lower right corner of the temporary document of graduation is signed and stamped by the vice rector.
(3) Students who receive diplomas for associate degree programs must return this diploma if they wish to register for an undergraduate degree program at the University, otherwise their application is not processed.

(4) A temporary diploma may either be issued to the student or to his/her representative designated by a warrant of attorney issued by a notary.

**Undergraduate diploma**

**ARTICLE 43** – (1) A student who successfully passes all of the courses in the curriculum of his/her program of study under a faculty or school where the period of education is four years as well as all the courses, if there are any, he/she took although they do not meet a requirement in his/her course plan, who accomplishes the required amount of credits for graduation, maintains a minimum of a 2.00 cumulative GPA, and completes any required internships and other projects specified by the related unit is accepted to have completed his/her studies, even if he/she passes some courses conditionally, and is granted an undergraduate degree diploma of the related unit.

(2) A transcript indicating the student’s final grade, his GPA, his department or program of study, the courses he/she took, projects, lab work, and graduation projects he/she completed along with their scores is issued to students who graduate from a program of study.

(3) Diplomas may either be submitted to the student or to his/her representative designated by a warrant of attorney issued by a notary.

**Associate degree diploma**

**ARTICLE 44** – (1) A student who has successfully completed all coursework for the first four semesters of his/her study and maintained a cumulative GPA of 2.00 but can not/does not complete the program is granted an associate degree diploma according to the Regulations for Associate Degree and Transfer to Vocational Schools of Students Unable to Complete Undergraduate Degree Education, as published in the Official Gazette #20112 dated 18/3/1989.

(2) A student who successfully passes all of the courses in the curriculum of his/her program of study under a vocational school where the period of education is two years as well as all the courses, if there are any, he/she took although they do not meet a requirement in his/her course plan, who accomplishes the required amount of credits for graduation, maintains a minimum of a 2.00 cumulative GPA, and completes any required internships and other projects specified by the related unit is accepted to have completed his/her studies, even if he/she passes some courses conditionally, and is granted an associate degree diploma of the related unit.

(3) An associate degree diploma and/or transcripts may either be submitted to the student or to the student’s representative.

**Diploma supplement**

**ARTICLE 45** – (1) The Student Affairs Office issues a diploma supplement to students who are eligible to receive a diploma. This document indicates the courses in the student’s course plan, their ECTS credits as well as the standard diploma supplement information.

(2) The diploma supplement may not be used in place of the diploma.

**Honor and high honor students**

**ARTICLE 46** – (1) Students who, by their current semester, have taken and successfully passed all of their coursework with a semester GPA of 3.00-3.49 are recognized
as semester Honor Students, and students who have taken and successfully passed all of their coursework with a semester GPA of 3.50-4.00 are recognized as semester High Honor Students. Students who have a grade of an unexcluded K, FF or VF in a given semester in their transcripts are not eligible for the title of Honor or High Honor Students in that semester even if their GPA meets the requirement. Status of Honor and High Honor Students are indicated in their transcripts every semester.

(2) Students whose GPA for all courses is between 3.00-3.49 are recognized as Honor Students, students whose GPA for all courses is between 3.50-4.00 are recognized as High Honor Students as they graduate. Statuses of graduates who have been in the Honor and High Honor lists are indicated in their transcripts.

PART FIVE
Other Regulations

Domestic and international student exchange

ARTICLE 47 – (1) Student exchange programs may be carried out in accordance with the agreements made with universities in Turkey and abroad. During the exchange program, the student’s registration at the home university remains in force, and time spent in the exchange programs is calculated into the period of studies. Exchange programs must be carried out in accordance with the terms of dual agreements as well as the regulations stipulated by the Council of Higher Education.

(2) The equivalence of the courses, applied courses, internships, and other activities to be undertaken during an exchange program and their equivalence with courses, practical work, internships, and other activities in his curriculum at the home institution are determined in advance with the recommendation of the advisor, approval of the related department chair and the decision of the related unit administrative board.

(3) The process of acceptance and conversion of the courses taken at universities in Turkey and abroad within the context of an exchange program is carried out in accordance with the decision of the related unit’s administrative board and with consideration of the recommendation of the student’s advisor.

(4) The credits and grades of courses whose equivalency is accepted and for which conversion is made are counted as transfer credits and applied to the student’s transcript.

(5) The procedures for foreign students who study at the University under the auspices of a dual agreement or an international program are carried out with the decisions of the related units’ boards in accordance with the articles of the dual agreement and the related regulations. Students are provided with transcripts which indicate the courses they have taken as well as their performance in these courses.

NOTIFICATIONS

ARTICLE 48 – (1) In accordance with the articles of the related regulations, all official notifications must be communicated via e-mail to students’ University e-mail accounts or by registered mail to the address they submit to the University during registration. Notification in return for signature at the related unit of the University is also valid.

(2) If the address the student declared to the University during his/her registration changes but is not reported to the Student Affairs Office within a reasonable period of time
or if the changes are reported incorrectly or incompletely then the student cannot claim that he/she has not been informed in case notifications were sent to their recorded address.

(3) In cases when the University staff cannot communicate with a student without any fault of the student, written announcements on the official notice boards within the University which are used for student matters are also accepted as notifications.

Cases with no provisions

ARTICLE 46 – (1) If cases should arise for which there are no provisions in these regulations, then recourse must be made to other related regulations as well as to the decisions of the Council of Higher Education, the Senate, the related unit’s Administrative Board and the related unit board.

Annulled regulation

ARTICLE 50 – (1) The Kadir Has University Regulations For Associate and Undergraduate Degree Programs published in the Official Gazette dated 4/1/2012 and numbered 28163 is hereby annulled.

PROVISIONAL ARTICLE 1 – (Change: OG-21/12/2015-29569)

(1) The provisions in the 24th article apply, as of the 2015-2016 academic year, to students who started their associate or undergraduate studies before the 2015-2016 academic year and who have not exceeded their standard period of studies. However, if the semester/school year determined according to the aforementioned provisions is below the student’s current semester/school year, then the current semester/school year status is preserved and the student proceeds on the basis of his/her successfully achieved credits.

(2) The provisions in the 24th article of these Regulations do not apply to students, in the 2015-2016 academic year, who started their associate or undergraduate studies before the 2015-2016 academic year and who have exceeded their standard period of studies. The nominal credit load for these students in the 2015-2016 academic year fall and spring semesters is equal to the nominal credit load of the semester with the highest credit load in their curriculum. From the 2016-2017 academic year on, the semester/school year of these students is determined based on the 24th article of these Regulations. If the semester/school year determined according to the aforementioned provisions is below the student’s current semester/school year, then the current semester/school year status is preserved and the student proceeds on the basis of his/her successfully achieved credits.

PROVISIONAL ARTICLE 2 – (1) In determining the unsuccessful student status of students who started their undergraduate studies in the 2014-2015 academic year in accordance with the third clause of the 30th article of these Regulations, the first two semesters they were registered to the undergraduate program are not taken into account. Students who started their education in the 2014-2015 academic year yet start their studies from the third or a higher semester based on their course and credit transfer and exemptions are not subject to this article.

PROVISIONAL ARTICLE 3 – (1) The articles of these Regulations which require changes in curricula of the University’s associate and undergraduate curricula are not implemented during the 2015-2016 academic year.
PROVISIONAL ARTICLE 4 – (1) The maximum allowed period of study is set forth in the (c) clause of the modified 44th article of law numbered 2547 which was amended by the 28th article of law numbered 6569 (which became valid on 26/11/2014) and the third clause of the 39th article of these Regulations. For the students who were already registered to University’s associate and undergraduate programs by the date law numbered 6569 became valid, this maximum allowed period of study, in accordance with Provisional Article 67 which was added to law numbered 2547 with the 32nd article of law numbered 6569 (which became valid on 26/11/2014) applies as of 02.02.2015 which is the start of the spring semester of the 2014-2015 academic year.

(2) The maximum allowed period of study for the preparatory program is set forth in the (c) clause of the modified 44th article of law numbered 2547 which was amended by the 28th article of law numbered 6569 (which became valid on 26/11/2014). For the students who were already studying at the English Preparatory Program by the date law numbered 6569 became valid, this maximum allowed period of study, in accordance with Provisional Article 67 which was added to law numbered 2547 with the 32nd article of law numbered 6569 (which became valid on 26/11/2014) applies as of 02.02.2015 which is the start of the spring semester of 2014-2015 academic year.

Implementation
ARTICLE 51 – (1) These regulations become valid on the date of publication and go into effect as of the beginning of the 2015-2016 academic year.

Execution
ARTICLE 52 – (1) The legal provisions of these regulations are executed by the Rector of Kadir Has University.

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