

(Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05)

(Senate Resolution dated 16.02.2021 no. 04)

DIRECTIVE ON THE HONORARY MENTION STUDENTS AND GRADUATION RANKINGS OF STUDENTS GRADUATING WITHIN A GIVEN ACADEMIC YEAR

SECTION ONE

Purpose - Scope - Basis – Definitions

Purpose

ARTICLE 1 - (1) The purpose of this Directive is to regulate the principles regarding the ranking procedures of successful graduates of Atılım University schools and vocational schools (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**), or students graduating, or meeting the requirements for graduation.

Scope

ARTICLE 2- This Directive covers the issues regarding the graduation rankings of successful graduates of Atılım University schools and vocational schools (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**).

Basis

ARTICLE 3 - (1) This Directive is based on the articles of “Atılım University Regulations on Associate and Undergraduate Degree Education and Examination” regarding grade point averages and graduation.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4 - The definitions for this Directive are:

a) **Graduation Ranking:** Graduation rankings of associate and undergraduate students graduating from departments/ programs affiliated with schools and vocational schools (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**) at the graduation ceremony held every year on the date specified in the academic calendar,

b) **Student Achievement Award:** The award given at the graduation ceremony held every year on the date specified in the academic calendar, to the graduating associate and undergraduate degree students of departments/ programs affiliated to schools / vocational schools (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**), for ranking the 1st, the 2nd and the 3rd in their schools, and the 1st in their departments / programs.

SECTION TWO

General Principles - Conditions

General principles

ARTICLE 5 - The Honorary Mention and Student Achievement Award are for students graduating from associate and undergraduate departments/programs affiliated with schools and vocational schools (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**) as of the graduation ceremony date specified in the academic calendar every year. Associate and undergraduate student degree rankings are prepared separately. Students who are eligible for graduation as per the provisions specified in Article 28 of Atılım University Regulations on Associate and Undergraduate Degree Education and Examination are ranked with respect to their general grade point averages for the preparation of the lists of rankings of schools/ vocational schools, and departments/ programs (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**). Graduates of associate degree programs are not eligible for an Honorary Mention or an Achievement Award.

ARTICLE 6 - Students gaining their eligibility for graduation by taking the “Make-up Examinations and/ or Additional (Re-)Examinations” of the Spring Semester in accordance with Article 26 of Atılım University Regulations on Associate and Undergraduate Degree Education and Examination are also included in these rankings.

Notifications and corrections regarding spring semester course grades are required to be submitted to the Directorate of Student Affairs by the deadline specified in the academic calendar. Change requests received past the due date are not taken into account for the purposes relating to these rankings.

ARTICLE 7 - If multiple students with the same general academic averages (down to the two digits after the decimal point) are to be ranked, these students share the same rank.

Conditions

ARTICLE 8 - At graduation, students are required to exhibit the following conditions in order to be considered "Honorary Mention Students", and receive their "Student Achievement Award".

a) Period of study: Excluding the **preparatory school**; students are required to have completed their program in the normal predetermined period, or shorter (*) (**) (***),

b) Disciplinary status: Students are required to have received no disciplinary punishment throughout their education period,

ARTICLE 9 - At a date later than their graduation ceremony, associate and undergraduate degree students earning graduation eligibility may choose to receive a "ranking letter" showing their rank among the graduates of the relevant academic program, in the relevant academic year, as of the requested date. Regardless of their rankings, such students are not eligible for a "Student Achievement Award".

ARTICLE 10 - No official letters of ranking are to be issued on the university and school/vocational school rankings of students (**Senate Resolution dated 22.05.2024 no. 05**).

SECTION THREE

Effective Date - Execution

Effective Date

ARTICLE 11- (1) This Directive shall take effect after its approval by the Atılım University Senate.

Execution

ARTICLE 12 - (1) This Directive is executed by the President of Atılım University.

(*) Students having completed their English Preparatory education at the end of the Fall Semester and advanced to their program studies without suspending their registration, and therefore having extended their period of study for one semester due to having taken some courses in their curriculum with a delay, are excluded from this scope.

(**) Students participating in exchange programs such as Erasmus, Farabi etc. at any point during their studies are excluded from this scope.

(***) Students enrolled in Double Major Programs may be eligible to become "Honorary Students" if they graduate within their regular period of study in their programs.