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SECTION ONE

Objective, Scope, Basis, and Definitions

Aim

ARTICLE 1 – (1) The purpose of this Directive is; to regulate the establishment, duty, authority, election, and working principles of the TED University Student Council, which will be established with the authority to represent the students of TED University undergraduate programs.

Scope

ARTICLE 2 – (1) This Directive covers the provisions regarding the election and operation of the TED University Student Council.

Rest


ARTICLE 3 – (1) This Directive has been prepared based on the Regulation on Higher Education Institutions Student Councils and Higher Education Institutions National Student Council published in the Official Gazette dated 13.06.2020 and numbered 31154.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4 – In this directive:

- a) Department student representative: The representative elected by the students studying in the relevant program(s) to represent the department/department they are registered with,
- b) Faculty student representative: The representative chosen by the student representatives of the department from among themselves to represent the faculty they are in,
- c) Student council: Student union established by students through democratic methods,
- d) Student council president: The president of the student council and the student council administrative board,
- e) Student council supervisory board: The supervisory body of the student council,
- f) Student council general assembly: The committee formed with the participation of department, department, faculty representatives,
- g) Student council administrative board: The board consists of faculty student representatives,
- h) Rector: Rector of TED University,
- i) University: TED University,
- j) National student council of higher education institutions: to the student union established by the heads of the student councils of higher education institutions in Turkey.

refers.

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SECTION TWO

General Principles Regarding Student Representative Elections and Qualifications to be Required in Candidates

Qualifications to be sought in Student Representative Candidates

ARTICLE 5 – (1) The conditions sought for students who will be candidates for student representatives are as follows:

- a. Being a registered student of the relevant faculty,
- b. Must be at least a second-year student,
- c. Having a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 as of the semester in which the election was made,
- d. Not being a member or an official in political party organs,
- e. Not having a semester leave of absence the registration in the semester in which the election was held,
- f. Not having received any disciplinary action other than a warning,
- g. Absence of a criminal record,
- h. Not having any affiliation with or connection with terrorist organizations.

Procedures and Principles Regarding Student Representative Elections


1) ARTICLE 6 – (1) All students registered in the undergraduate programs can vote in the Student Council Election.

- a. Students enrolled in faculties that directly admit students to the programs can vote for students who have been candidates for the departments they are registered to.
- b. Students who have entered the university with the Common Core Program and are still attending the English Language School or the Common Core Program can vote for students who are candidates for any department in their faculties.

(2) English Language School and Common Core Program students cannot be candidates in the elections.

(3) In order to carry out the selection process, a University Election Board consisting of academic staff from each faculty, Student Affairs Director, and Student Affairs Coordinator is formed by the Rectorate under the chairmanship of a faculty member. University selection committee members determined from faculties are responsible for the coordination of the elections in their faculties.

(4) The student council election calendar is determined by the Rectorate with the recommendation of the Student Affairs Coordinator until December and announced by the Student Affairs Coordinator. Changes

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are made with the approval of the Rectorate. If for any reason, no result can be obtained in the elections held within the specified period and program, the representative in that unit will not be elected.

(5) Elections may also be held electronically, by the decision of the Senate. In this case, detailed procedures and principles on how to make elections in an electronic environment are also created by the University Election Board.

(6) Students who will be candidates for student representatives make their applications to the Registrar's Office on the date specified in the election calendar, together with the petition and related documents addressed to the Student Affairs Coordinator.

(7) Applications are evaluated by the University Election Board and candidates are announced.

(8) Candidates can run the election campaign within the date range specified in the election calendar, until the end of the business day before the election date.

(9) In order to be elected, the votes of the absolute majority of the students who voted in the election must be taken in each round.

(10) In case of failure in one round, the elections are repeated with a new election to be held between the two candidates who received the most votes in the previous round.

(11) In the case of equality of votes, the elections are repeated within the next day at the latest.

(12) Not contrary to the provisions of this Directive and other relevant legislation, the principles for the conduct of the elections are determined by the University Election Board.

(13) The correspondence of the University Election Board is carried out by the Student Affairs Coordinator.

Elections

ARTICLE 7 – (1) Ballot boxes, voter lists, and ballot papers are kept ready at the places where the elections will be held on the day of the election.


(2) Students, showing their student IDs, take their ballot papers from the relevant University Election Board member and, after marking their election in a secret compartment, put the ballot papers in the ballot box in a closed envelope and sign the voter list.

(3) Voting is completed at the time determined by the University Election Board.

Vote Count and Announcement of Results

ARTICLE 8 – (1) The counting process starts after the voting process is completed on the election day and is done by the University Election Board.

(2) For the election results, a report is kept containing the number of students participating in the election and the details of the votes received by the candidates.

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(3) The names of the students who are entitled to become Student Representatives are announced on the University website and bulletin boards.

Objection to Election Results

ARTICLE 9 – (1) All kinds of objections regarding the elections are made to the Registrar's Office with a petition addressed to the Student Affairs Coordinators within the first business day following the announcement of the election results.

(2) Objections are evaluated by the University Election Board and decided and announced on the date specified in the election calendar.

Student Representative Election

ARTICLE 10 – (1) The student representative of the department/department is elected by the students of each department/department from among themselves, with the absolute majority of the voters, for once for two years.

(2) The faculty student representative is elected by the university's department/major student representatives from among themselves with the absolute majority of the voters for two years.

Termination of Student Representative Office

ARTICLE 11 – (1) In the event that the student representative loses his qualifications for being elected or his term ends before the expiry of his term for any reason, a new representative is elected within one month in the same way, in order to complete the remaining term. The period for the re-election of the faculty representative is 15 days. The newly elected person completes the term of the person selected instead.


SECTION THREE

Duties of Student Council President and Related Boards

Student Council President

ARTICLE 12 – (1) The student representative of the unit, determined according to the Turkish alphabetical order of the faculties, undertakes the presidency of the student council. In the following years, the alphabetical order of the faculties is followed.

(2) In the event that the president of the council loses the qualifications to be elected as a student representative or the term ends before the expiry of this term for any reason, the candidate who receives the most votes in the election of the student representative of the faculty represented by the president to complete the term becomes the president.

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Duties of Student Council President

ARTICLE 13 – (1) The duties of the student council president are as follows:

- a) Representing university students at national and international student events,
- b) To determine the agenda of the student council general assembly and student council executive board meetings and to preside over these meetings,
- c) To ensure that the decisions taken by the student council general assembly and the student council administrative board are announced and to monitor their implementation,
- d) Presenting the annual activity report to the next student council general assembly at the end of the term of office,
- e) Attending the Senate and University Administrative Board meetings during the discussion of student-related issues, if invited.

Student Council General Assembly

ARTICLE 14 – (1) The general assembly of the student council consists of representatives of faculties/departments and is the highest decision-making body in the Student Council.

(2) The general assembly of the student council holds its regular meeting at least twice a year. The student council general assembly unites with the absolute majority of the members.

(3) The student council general assembly agenda is notified to the members in writing by the student council president at least fifteen days before. If the meeting quorum specified in this directive is not met upon the announcement, the announcement process is repeated in the same way.


(4) In the general assembly of the student council, the members of the administrative and supervisory board are elected by the absolute majority of the attendees. These elections are held by secret ballot and open counting. Decisions other than these are taken by the absolute majority of the attendees and by open voting.

(5) The student council general assembly may be called to an extraordinary meeting by the administrative board upon the decision of the student council administrative board or the written application of 1/4 of the general assembly members. In such cases, the general assembly meeting is held within fifteen days at the latest. The student council administrative board determines and executes the extraordinary general assembly meetings and agenda of the student council.

Duties of the Student Council General Assembly

ARTICLE 15 – (1) The duties of the student council general assembly are as follows:

- a. To determine the student council president according to the procedure specified in the 1st paragraph of the 12th article,
- b. To elect the members of the student council administrative board,

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- c. To elect the members of the student council supervisory board,
- d. To identify the problems of TED University students and to convey their solution suggestions to the University administration,
- e. To determine the term targets of the student council.

Student Council Board of Directors


ARTICLE 16 – (1) The student council administrative board consists of eight students and student council presidents, one of whom is a vice president, to be elected by the members of the student council general assembly among themselves, with the absolute majority of those who participated in the elections, and for two years. The student council executive board is accountable to the student council general assembly.

(2) The student council administrative board meets quarterly under the chairmanship (in the absence of the chairman, the vice-president). The meeting agenda, place, and date of the board are announced to the members of the board of directors by the chairman at least seven days in advance. The Board convenes with the absolute majority of the total number of members and takes decisions with the absolute majority of the attendees. In the case of equality of votes, the party with the chairman is considered the majority.

Duties of the Student Council Executive Board

ARTICLE 17 – (1) The duties of the student council administrative board are as follows:

- a. To divide the work and distribute the duties among the members of the student council administrative board,
- b. To identify the problems of the students, to convey their opinions and thoughts to the University administration,
- c. Ensuring the implementation of solution proposals regarding the problems identified by the student council general assembly,
- d. Collaborating with non-governmental organizations to develop community service projects and to encourage student participation in these projects,
- e. To carry out studies for student participation in national and international education and youth programs,
- f. To develop relations with national and international student unions and organizations,
- g. Establishing working groups in the fields of food, transportation, accommodation, cafeteria, society, scholarships, education, arts, culture, and sports and ensuring their functionality,
- h. To inform the members of the student council general assembly about their work,
 - a. Announcing and monitoring the decisions of the national student council at the University,

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b. To prepare reports of the works carried out and to create an archive.

Student Council Supervisory Board

ARTICLE 18 – (1) Student council supervisory board consists of a president and four members to be elected by the members of the student council general assembly for two years, with the absolute majority of those participating in the elections, excluding those elected to the administrative board.

Duties of Student Council Supervisory Board

ARTICLE 19 – (1) The duties of the student council supervisory board are as follows:

- a) To supervise whether the student council administrative board is working in accordance with the relevant legislation and general assembly resolutions,
- b) To inform the Rectorate and the general assembly of the student council about their work.

SECTION FOUR

Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

Cases Without Provisions

ARTICLE 20 – (1) In cases where there is no provision in this Directive, provisions of other relevant legislation, especially Higher Education Institutions Student Councils and Higher Education Institutions National Student Council Regulations, are applied.

Enforcement

ARTICLE 21 – (1) This Directive enters into force from the date it is accepted by the TED University Senate.

Execution

ARTICLE 22 – (1) The provisions of this Directive are executed by the Rector.

SENATE MEETINGS THAT REGULATIONS OR AMENDMENTS ARE ACCEPTED

DATE	DECREE NO.	EXPLANATION
30.04.2014	2014-06	Regulations has been accepted
11.11.2020	2020-28	Regulations for amendments
28.10.2021	2021-26	Regulations for amendments