

# REPUBLIC OF TURKEY ONDOKUZ MAYIS UNIVERSITY Internationalization Policy

Ondokuz Mayıs University (OMU), in order to become an institution with a high international recognition in the fields of both education and research and to train individuals who are highly competitive at both national and international levels, adopts a policy which supports international connections, partnerships, projects, student and academic mobility, internationalized curriculum and research initiatives, on and off-campus international undergraduate and graduate joint programs and creates a multicultural and international campus environment for students and staff at the same time.

# **OBJECTIVES OF INTERNATONALIZATION POLICY**

OMU aims to be an internationally recognized institution in both education and research fields and to cultivate individuals who are highly competitive in the fields of science, art and business at national / international level. In this context, the OMU Internationalization Policy Document provides a framework for the management, support and development of internationalization activities in the fields of education and research in OMU and the establishment of a multicultural and international campus.

# AREA 1: EDUCATION AND MULTICULTURAL / INTERNATIONAL CAMPUS

In order to enhance the international and multicultural quality of the campus and education, OMU;

a) supports student and staff exchange in study, teaching, training, research and development activities within the framework of bilateral cooperation protocols,

b) develops joint academic study programs at undergraduate and post-graduate levels with qualified international universities,

c) updates curricula to provide students / graduates with skills appropriate to the needs of international science and business world. OMU promotes multicultural education and interdisciplinary programs,

d) redesigns the curricula to increase its international recognition and comparability,

e) encourages students to participate in qualified international training programs at home or abroad,

f) conducts efforts to improve the capacity of academic staff to teach in a foreign language,

g) ensures the employment of qualified academic and administrative staff and encourages the staff to participate in / provides trainings in order to gain the required qualifications,

h) supports programs and activities to increase the international experience of academic and administrative staff.

i) supports the intake of international undergraduate and graduate students,

j) supports the employment of international academic staff,

k) implements and carries out the necessary planning and activities to ensure the easy adaptation/integration of international students, researchers and academic staff to the campus life,

l) makes arrangements in providing the social, cultural, sportive and psychological needs of international students and,

m) supports increasing the number of courses in a foreign language and to integrate them into the curriculum.



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### **AREA 2: RESEARCH-DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

In order to increase international quality of the research area, OMU;

a) works to increase cooperation agreements with international companies and higher education institutions (HEIs),

b) supports the implementation of international joint projects for research and development activities with both HEIs and other international companies within the framework of the cooperation agreements,

c) encourages activities to enhance the international recognition of research projects in terms of outputs like publications, licenses and patents for the science and business world,

d) supports career opportunities abroad for young researchers,

e) ensures the arrangements and agreements required to obtain the necessary internal and external resources to increase the number and quality of international research and development activities and

f) to promote and support short or long term research activities of internationally qualified researchers in OMU.

### AREA 3. UNIVERSITY-EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDER COOPERATION

In order to cater for the culture of University-External Stakeholder Cooperation, OMU;

a) implements agreements with national and international public institutions, private institutions and NGOs,

b) carries out activities to increase the number of agreements,

c) supports the activities carried out to increase the number of externally supported international projects and to strengthen their infrastructure and

d) supports training opportunities for students within the university or other enterprises or NGOs which the university collaborates by establishing cooperation with our external stakeholders.