



Yükseköğretim Planlama, Denetleme,
Akreditasyon ve Koordinasyon Kurulu

Higher Education in the TRNC: Challenges and Future Perspectives

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YÖDAK



- Founded in 1993 under the Ministry of Education
- Independent Council in 2005
- Status updated in the Higher Education Law which was amended in 2009 ve 2017

Duties and Responsibilities

65/2005 TRNC Higher Education Law

- Planning
- Regulation
- Evaluation
- Accreditation
- Coordination: Inter-university Academic Coordination Council

Administrative Structure

- Equivalency Unit
- Education Unit
- Legal Unit
- Financial Unit
- Archive

International Membership



Table 1. Universities Recognition Status: YÖDAK and YÖK

1	Eastern Mediterranean University (1979)	State	YÖDAK, YÖK, EUA member
2	Girne American University (1985)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
3	Near East University (1988)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK, EUA member
4	European University of Lefke (1989)	State/Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
5	Cyprus International University (1997)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
6	Akdeniz Karpaz University (2012)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
7	University of Kyrenia (2013)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
8	Cyprus Aydın University (2013)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
9	Cyprus American University (2014)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
10	Final International University (2015)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK

11	Cyprus West University (2015)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
12	Rauf Denktaş University (2015)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
13	Ada Kent University (2016)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
14	Cyprus Health and Social Sciences University (2016)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
15	Bahçeşehir Cyprus University (2017)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
16	Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design (2017)	Foundation	YÖDAK, YÖK
17	European Leadership University (2017)	Foundation	YÖDAK
18	Altınbaş Cyprus University (2017)	Foundation	YÖDAK
19	Onbeş Kasım Cyprus University (2017)	Foundation	YÖDAK
20	International University of Alasia (2019)	Foundation	YÖDAK
21	Middle East Technical University, North Cyprus Campus	State (Türkiye)	YÖK
22	Istanbul Technical University, North Cyprus Campus	State (Türkiye)	YÖK
23	Ankara University of Social Sciences, North Cyprus Campus	State (Türkiye)	YÖK

Table 2 Universities Accreditation Status.

Eastern Mediterranean University (1979)

ABET (Civil Engineering B.S, Computer Engineering B.S, Electrical & Electronic Engineering B.S, Industrial Engineering B.S, Management Engineering B.S, Mechanical Engineering B.S, Mechatronics Engineering B.S, Software Engineering B.S)

ACPE (M. Pharm., Pharm D.)

AQAS (Interior Architecture, B.A)

ASIIN (Molecular Biology and Genetics B.A, Medical Biotechnology Masters, Biomedical Equipment Technology Associate Degree, Biomedical Equipment Technology Higher Diploma, Construction Technology Associate Degree, Electrical and Electronics Technology Associate Degree, Electrical and Electronics Technology Higher Diploma, Information Technology B.S, Mapping and Cadastral Survey Associate Degree, Information Technology without Thesis (Master of Technology), Information Technology with Thesis, Computer Programming Associate Degree, Computer Programming Higher Diploma Program)

CIDA (Interior Architecture, B.A)

EPDAD (Music Teaching Bachelor's Degree, Special Education Teaching Bachelor's Degree)

Eastern Mediterranean University (1979)

EAQUALS (Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School)

TPD (Bachelor of Psychology)

TEDQUAL (Tourism and Hospitality)

SABAK (Nutrition and Dietetics, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation)

EQANIE (Information Technology BA, Information Technology with/without thesis)

FIBAA (Bachelor's programs in Banking and Insurance, Finance and Banking, International Finance, Business Administration, Human Resources Management, International Trade and Business, Management Information Systems, Marketing, Public Administration, Economics, International Relations, Political Science).

MIAK & NAAB (Architecture)

PCN (Pharmacy)

TEPDAD(Medicine)

European University of Lefke (1989)

AHPGS (Finance and Banking, Economics, Political Science and Public Administration, Health Management, Pharmacy, Nursing, Tourism Management, Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation, Psychology, Nutrition & Dietetics)

AQAS (Architecture, Interior Architecture and Environmental Design, Horticulture, New Media and Communication)

ASIIN (Electronics and Communications Engineering, Software Engineering, Management Information Systems),

EPDAD (English Language Teaching, Guidance and Psychological Counseling, Classroom Teaching, Special Education Teaching, Primary School Mathematics Teaching, Turkish Language Teaching, Preschool Teaching)

FEDEK (Psychology)

FIBAA (Business, International Relations)

MÜDEK (Computer Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering)

SABAK (Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Nutrition and Dietetics)

EUR-ACE (Computer Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Electronics and Communications Engineering, Civil Engineering)

Cyprus International University (1997)

AHPGS (Pharmacy (M. Pharm, Pharm. D), Molecular Biology and Genetics, Nutrition and Dietetics, Nutrition and Dietetics, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation English, Law)

MÜDEK (Computer Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Civil Engineering)

EPDAD (English Language Teaching, Preschool Teaching, Special Education Teaching, Guidance and Psychological Counseling)

FEDEK (Psychology)

MİAK (Architecture)

FIBAA (Business Administration, Accounting and Finance, International Relations, Public Relations and Advertising, Visual Communication Design, Tourism and Hotel Management, Management Information Systems)

ILAD (Public Relations and Advertising, Radio, Television and Cinema)

SABAK Nutrition and Dietetics, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation

Girne American University (1985)

EAQUALS (Foundation English School)

IACBE (Business Administration Master's Programs, Banking and Finance, Marketing, Information Systems Management, Business Administration, International Business Management, Business Administration (Master's), Economics (Master's), Banking and Finance (Bachelor's), Marketing (Bachelor's), Accounting (Bachelor's), Information Systems Management (Bachelor's), Business Administration (Bachelor's), Economics (Bachelor's), International Business Management (Bachelor's), Banking and Insurance (Associate Degree), Marketing (Associate Degree), Accounting and Tax Practices (Associate Degree), Business Administration (Associate Degree))

AHLA (Tourism Education),

IMO (Marine Transportation Management Engineering (Bachelor's Degree), Mechatronics (Associate Degree))

SGHM (Civil Aviation - Piloting)

Final International University (2015)

EPDAD (English Language Teaching)

Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design (2017)

EAQUALS (English Preparatory School)

ILAD (Visual Communication Design, New Media and Communication)

Bahçeşehir Cyprus University (2017)

EAQUALS (English Preparatory School)

Rauf Denktaş University (2015)

FIBAA (International Law)

Table 3. Universities Rankings Status

Eastern Mediterranean University (1979)

THE WUR Band: 601-800 (2024, 2025, 2026)

THE YUR Rank: 151 (2024)

Shanghai Ranking (GRAS), Hospitality and Tourism Management Band: #51-75 (2025). Research Impact Category Rank: #12 (2025)

QS World University (Institutional) Ranking Bands: #611-620 (2025), #691 (2026).

QS Stars Rating System – Overall 4* (2025) – 5* in Global Engagement and Facilities

QS Sustainability Ranking: #1101-1150 (2024), #868 (2025), #871 (2026)

QS Subject Ranking (2026): Hospitality and Leisure Management #151-175 Band, Economics and Econometrics #501-550 Band, Electrical and Electronic Engineering #501-550 Band, Computer Science and Information Systems #751-800 Band.

US News Best Global Universities: #694 (2024), #687 (2025), #687 (2026)

Near East University (1988)

THE WUR 601-800 (2024, 2025), 401-500 (2026)

THE YUR rank: 139 (2024)

THE Impact Ranking: rank: 43 (2026)

Shanghai Ranking Subjects: Physics 301-400, Mathematics 401-500

QS Sustainability Ranking: #1101-1150 (2026)

US News Best Global Universities: #689 (2024), #681 (2025), #681 (2026)

European University of Lefke (1989)

QS World University (Institutional) Ranking: Band 851-900 (2026)

QS Subject Economics & Econometrics: Band 451-500 (2026)

QS University Sustainability Rankings: Band 1031-1040 (2026)

QS Stars Rating 5* (Current)

Cyprus International University (1997)

THE WUR Band: 601-800 (2025, 2026)

THE YUR Band: 201-250 (2024, 2025, 2026)

QS Sustainability Ranking Band: 1201+ (2024, 2025), 1101-1150 (2026)

YÖDAK'ın görevleri

65/2005 Kuzey Kıbrıs Türk Cumhuriyeti Yükseköğretim Yasası

- Planlamak
- Düzenlemek
- Uygulanmasını gözetmek
- Denetlemek
- Akreditasyon
- Koordinasyon

ÜAKK (Üniversitelerarası Akademik Koordinasyon Kurulu)

YÖDAK

Başkan: Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın
Başkan Yardımcısı: Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca
Üyeler: Prof. Dr. Zafer Ağdelen
Prof. Dr. Akın Cellatoğlu
Prof. Dr. Hülya Harutoğlu
Prof. Dr. Remziye Terkan
Prof. Dr. Ali Ünyayar

Genel Sekreter: Erdinç Akgür

İdari Yapılanma

- Denklik Birimi
- Eğitim/Öğretim Birimi
- Hukuk Birimi
- Mali Birim
- Bilgi İşlem Birimi
- Arşiv

Kalite Ajanslarına Üyelikler

- YÖDAK uluslararası akreditasyon kuruluşları üyelikleri:
 - ENQA, asosiye üye
 - CEENQA, üye
 - INQAAHE, üye
 - UK-ENIC, üye



Üniversiteler

1. Dođu Akdeniz Üniversitesi
2. Girne Amerikan Üniversitesi
3. Yakın Dođu Üniversitesi
4. Lefke Avrupa Üniversitesi
5. Uluslararası Kıbrıs Üniversitesi
6. ODTÜ Kuzey Kıbrıs Kampüsü
7. İTÜ-KKTC Eğitim Araştırma Yerleşkeleri
8. Akdeniz Karpaz Üniversitesi
9. Girne Üniversitesi
10. Kıbrıs İlim Üniversitesi
11. Kıbrıs Amerikan Üniversitesi
12. Kıbrıs Sağlık ve Toplum Bilimleri Üni.
13. Uluslararası Final Üniversitesi
14. Ada Kent Üniversitesi
15. Bahçeşehir Kıbrıs Üniversitesi
16. Rauf Denktaş Üniversitesi
17. Arkin Yaratıcı Sanatlar ve Tasarım Üni.
18. Kıbrıs Batı Üniversitesi
19. Onbeş Kasım Kıbrıs Üniversitesi
20. Ankara Sosyal Bilimler Üniversitesi
21. Avrupa Liderlik Üniversitesi
22. Dünya Barış Üniversitesi
23. Uluslararası Alasya Üniversitesi

Üniversitelerimizdeki Programlar

- 352 ön lisans
- 799 lisans
- 418 yüksek lisans
- 204 doktora

YÖDAK onaylı toplam 1773 program

Akademik Personel Profili

- 900 Prof.
- 577 Doç.
- 1367 Yrd. Doç.
- 1624 Dr. ve öğretim görevlisi
- 847 Diğer öğretim elemanı

Toplam 5315 öğretim elemanı

Öğrenci Profili

200 farklı ülkeden 100,000 öğrenci

- KKTC 10%
- TC 55%
- Uluslararası 35%

Uluslararası Sıralamalar

- DAÜ ve YDÜ Times Higher Education (THE) Sıralamasında 600-800 bandında
- Üniversitelerimiz QS ve Shanghai gibi önemli sıralamalarda yer alıyor
- ABET, TEDQUAL, ASIIN, FIBAA, NAAB, AQAS, EAQUALS, MÜDEK, MİAK, gibi uluslararası ve ulusal akreditasyon kuruluşlarından akreditasyonlar



Teşekkürler