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SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

## PLACEMENT AND AGE EXAM AGENDA for NEW STUDENTS AT AYBU

- The students who are accepted to Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University are required to take two exams:

**1) PLACEMENT EXAM:** It will be administered on 16 September, 2021. This exam is conducted to assess the basic English knowledge and skills of all students who have just been enrolled to AYBU. Each student must take the Placement Exam to determine if s/he has the right to take the proficiency exam (AGE exam) and/or to determine what level of preparatory classes s/he will start in. Students who achieve a score of 60/100 or higher from the placement exam have the right to take AGE exam. Students who get a score lower than 60 are placed in the following levels of classes in the preparatory program:

- 0-39/100: A (Basic) Level
- 39.5-79/100: A+ (Basic+) Level
- 79.5-100/100: B (Independent) Level

**2) AGE EXAM:** It will be conducted on 20-21-22-23 September, 2021. The students with a score of 60/100 or above from the placement exam will be entitled to take AGE exam. The purpose of this exam is to assess if a student has the necessary language skills and abilities to continue with their studies in their department. The students who get 69.5 and above from AGE exam are exempt from the English preparatory program, and thus they directly start studying at their departments. A sample AGE exam is available in the following link:

<https://aybu.edu.tr/yabancidiller/en/sayfa/2777/Sample-AGE>

**Note:** Both the placement and AGE exams will be conducted online. The students have to follow the announcements in the website of the School of Foreign Languages.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If a student already has the expected score from international English assessment exams, namely TOEFL IBT, PTE Academic, IELTS Academic, CAE / CPE, FCE or OTE, they are exempted from the English preparatory program, and they can directly start studying at their departments:

TOEFL IBT	PTE Academic	IELTS Academic	CAE/CPE	FCE	OTE
79	60	6.5	C	C	B2
*The score has to be taken within the last two years.			* Valid indefinitely		*Valid for 5 years

\*\*\*The students who have the expected score from one of these exams have to submit their document / certificate displaying their score to the secretariat of the School of Foreign Languages immediately.

\*\*\*The students who failed in both the Placement exam and AGE exam, however, are placed into classes that are appropriate to their level: A, A+, B, or B+ level.

## **ENGLISH PREPARATORY PROGRAM**

### **MAIN GOAL OF PREPARATORY ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS**

- The primary objective of the School of Foreign Languages is to provide English language education to its students ensuring that the students use English effectively in their academic studies and professional lives, in line with the quality requirements applied at international level for today's foreign language education.

### **EDUCATION AT PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

- ✓ After the students are placed into levels of classes, they are exposed to seven-week language programs appropriate to their level, where they are encouraged to develop their English language skills, abilities and knowledge. Each academic year consists of 4 periods.
- ✓ A and A+ level courses are 16 hours a week whereas B and above levels are 12 hours per week.
- ✓ The classes will be held either face to face or online – depending on the senate decision to be taken before the academic year starts on October 4, 2021.
- ✓ The students are obliged to attend 80 % of the classes during each period. The students who exceed the unattendance limit by the end of a period cannot move to the next level.
- ✓ In addition to these face-to-face or synchronous lessons, the students are also provided with plenty of course materials such as video lessons, practice tests, booklets for the development of language skills, and online assignments so that they can study further to improve their English language beyond the class.
- ✓ Beyond the 12/16-hour classes, the students are also provided with plenty of activities by Independent Learning Center (ILC) and Language Advisory Program (LAP) to improve their language skills and develop independent learning skills and effective study habits.
- ✓ During each period, the students are assessed by means of quizzes, portfolio tasks, online assignments, projects, and end-of-period examinations. They are required to get an average of 64.5 or above in order to move on to the next level. Otherwise, they are required to repeat the level.
- ✓ The students who complete B+ level and above successfully (with a score of 64.5 and above) are entitled to take AGE exam. In addition, the students who complete B level with 79.5 are also eligible to take AGE exam. AGE exam is given 4 times in an academic year: In September, January, June, and August.
- ✓ Students registered in the preparatory school are required to complete the preparatory school successfully within 2 academic years or they are expelled from the university.