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These Application Guidelines have been prepared to define the procedures and principles for applying for the incentive support provided under the 2026 Academic Incentive Program. Applicants are required to carefully review these guidelines and prepare and submit their applications in accordance with the explanations provided herein. By submitting an application, applicants shall be deemed to have accepted all provisions of the relevant legislation and all matters set forth in these guidelines.

1. Objectives and Priorities of the Program



The objective of the Program is to encourage the academic output of Türkiye-alumni academics and researchers, to ensure the continuity of their ties with Türkiye in the countries they reside in, and to increase their contributions to international academic literature.

2. Who Can Apply?



Foreign national academics and researchers who have completed part of their education in Türkiye may apply to the incentive program.

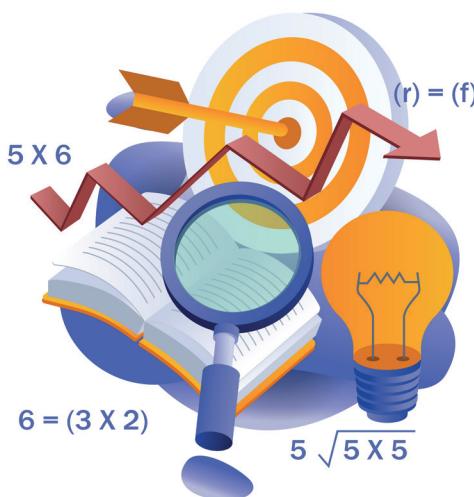
3. Application Requirements

The application requirements for the Program are set out below:

- The applicant must be registered in the Türkiye Alumni Portal and must have entered all information and documents related to the application into the system completely, accurately, and up to date.
- The applicant must not be a citizen of the Republic of Türkiye and must not have lost Turkish citizenship for any reason.
- The academic work subject to the application must be prepared in article format and must have been published in an international academic journal indexed in SSCI, SCIE, ESCI, or AHCI.
- The article must have been published no more than one year prior to the application date.

For example, for applications starting on 1 January 2026, the publication date of the article must be 1 January 2025 or later.

- Each applicant may apply to the Program at most once within a calendar year.
- Each applicant may benefit from the Türkiye Alumni Academic Incentive Program a maximum of two times in total.
- If incentive support has previously been received for the same academic work, a repeat application for that work is not permitted.





4. Academic Incentive Amounts and Payment Principles



- The incentive amounts to be provided for applications deemed eligible under the Türkiye Alumni Academic Incentive Program are determined based on the impact factor of the journal in which the academic work was published and the international academic index in which the journal is indexed.

Incentive Calculation Formula

$$\text{Incentive Amount} = (\text{Impact Factor} \times 100 \text{ USD}) \div \text{Number of Authors} \div \text{Index Coefficient}$$

For incentive calculations, 10 USD is taken as the basis for each 0.1 impact factor of the journal. Accordingly:

- For journals with an impact factor between 0.001 – 1.499:
Maximum incentive: 150 USD
- For journals with an impact factor between 1.5 – 1.99:
Maximum incentive: 200 USD
- For journals with an impact factor between 2.0 – 3.0:
Maximum incentive: 300 USD
- For journals with an impact factor of 3.0 and above:
Maximum incentive: 500 USD

If the academic work has more than one author, the determined incentive amount is divided by the number of authors.

Index Coefficients

- Journals indexed in SSCI and SCIE: coefficient 1
- Journals indexed in AHCI: coefficient 2
- Journals indexed in ESCI: coefficient 3

The final incentive amount is calculated by dividing the determined incentive amount by the relevant index coefficient.

If the final incentive amount calculated as a result of the evaluation process is below 100 USD, no incentive payment shall be made.

Examples

- **Example 1:**

An article with an impact factor of 3.3, published in a SCIE-indexed journal, with 3 authors:

$$3.3 \times 100 \text{ USD} \div 3 \div 1$$

Calculation: 110 USD

Final incentive amount: 110 USD

- **Example 2:**

An article with an impact factor of 2.0, published in an AHCI-indexed journal, with 2 authors:

$$2.0 \times 100 \text{ USD} \div 2 \div 2$$

Calculation: 50 USD (No payment is made as it is below 100 USD.)

Final incentive amount: 0 USD

- **Example 3:**

An article with an impact factor of 6.0, published in a SCIE-indexed journal, with 1 author:

$$6.0 \times 100 \text{ USD} \div 1 \div 1$$

Calculation: 600 USD

(Since the maximum incentive amount for journals with an impact factor of 3.0 and above is capped at 500 USD, the final incentive amount is applied as 500 USD.)

Final incentive amount: 500 USD



5. Application Process



1. Creating a Portal Membership

To apply, applicants must first create a one-time membership registration on the Türkiye Alumni Portal at www.turkiyemezunlari.gov.tr. The User ID number will be used during the application process.

2. Accessing the Online Application System

After completing portal membership, applicants must log in to basvuru.ytb.gov.tr to access the online application form for the Turkey Alumni Academic Incentive Program.

3. Completing the Application Form

While filling out the application form, applicants must carefully follow the instructions and guidance provided in the system and upload the following mandatory information and documents completely and accurately:

1. Turkey Alumni User ID Number
2. ORCID ID
3. Article abstract
4. Full text of the article
5. Journal name
6. Journal index
7. Index coefficient
8. Number of authors

6. Review and Submission of Applications



Before submitting the application, the form and documents must be reviewed.

If there are any deficiencies or inconsistencies in the application form or mandatory documents, the application shall be negatively evaluated.

If the submitted information is unclear and prevents a fair evaluation of the application, additional explanations or documents may be requested from the applicant.

Before completing your application, please ensure that all of the following statements are true:

- **Türkiye Alumni Portal Registration:** I am registered in the Türkiye Alumni Portal and have entered all required information and documents completely, accurately, and up to date.
- **Citizenship Status:** I am not a citizen of the Republic of Türkiye and have not lost Turkish citizenship for any reason.
- **Format of the Academic Work:** The academic work subject to the application is in article format and has been published in an international academic journal indexed in SSCI, SCIE, ESCI, or AHCI.
- **Publication Date:** The publication date of the article is no more than one year prior to the start date of the application period.
(e.g., for applications starting on 1 January 2026, the publication date must be 1 January 2025 or later).
- **Annual Application Limit:** I have not applied to the Program earlier within the same calendar year.
- **Total Benefit Limit:** I have not benefited from the Türkiye Alumni Academic Incentive Program more than two times in total.
- **Duplicate Application Status:** I have not previously received incentive support for the same academic work.

7. Evaluation of Applications and Notification of Results



For applications submitted to the Program, compliance with application requirements and the completeness of submitted information and documents are reviewed.

Evaluation is carried out based on the application form, mandatory documents, the applicant's academic competence, and the indexing status of the journal in which the article is published.

Evaluation results are notified to applicants through the application system or via email.

The Presidency reserves the right to make changes regarding the purpose, scope, and budget of the Program.

