



**REPUBLIC OF TURKEY  
TURKISH NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY  
AIR NCO VOCATIONAL HE SCHOOL**



*The future is in the skies.*

*K. Atatürk*



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## ■ Rector's Message

### Dear Students,

Gathering military training and education in Turkey under a single roof, Turkish National Defense University took the necessary steps promptly and covered a lot of ground in order to meet the need for qualified officers and non-commissioned officers of the Turkish Armed Forces, although it was founded almost a year ago. On the one hand, Turkish National Defense University protects military training requirements and military tradition; on the other hand, it continues undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate education/training suited for the necessities of the time with modern methods.

Our military schools have recovered fast through the regulations made in a short time after July 15 coup attempt and taken the steps without a delay in order to reach an advanced level in all fields.

We invite the young, who are the future of our country, to join us as officers and non-commissioned officers of the Turkish Armed Forces, which has a history full of glorious victories and which is one of the most powerful armies in the world. **We are looking forward to seeing you in Turkish National Defense University to be the commander of the future.**



**Prof. Erhan AFYONCU**  
Rector





## ■ Organization

Turkish National Defense University was founded by the Decree Law numbered 669 and dated 25 July 2016, with the title of “Taking the Necessary Measures under the State of Emergency and Establishing the National Defense University and Making Amendments in Certain Laws”. The Organization of the university was established by the Decree of the Council of Ministers numbered 2016/9522 and dated 14 November 2016, published in Official Gazette dated 25 November 2016. Staff Organization of Rectorate was established by the approval of the Ministry of National Defense dated 03 February 2017. Rectorate of the University became operational on 09 January 2017 in the campus located in Yenilevent/İSTANBUL. Three War Academies, four Service War Colleges, six Institutes and four Non-Commissioned Officer Higher Education Schools carry out activities under the roof of Turkish National Defense University.

## ■ Mission

To educate and train qualified work force which is loyal to its country, nation, and state, adopt the Principles of Atatürk and has national values, democracy culture, and historical consciousness.

To provide doctrinal solutions for military operational environment and development of military culture.

## ■ Vision

To be a reference university and a leader institution, making a difference in military education and research particularly in the fields of defense, security, and strategy through its quality and innovative background.







## History

As a result of the efforts to establish NCO Vocational Higher Education Schools, Air NCO Vocational HE School, which has the honorable duty to train future's NCOs and which will take Turkish Air Forces to the future as an air and space power competing with the age, was founded in 2003 in Gaziemir/İZMİR (formerly named as Sediköy). The school aims to educate and train future NCOs of the Turkish Air Forces who comprehend the basic NCO specialization training and who are equipped with knowledge.

Since the academic year of 2012-2013, the students have been educated in 10 programs, which match the programs in national and international institutions providing similar undergraduate education. The Air Force NCO Vocational HE School provides the students education in such a way that they will have the appropriate competence for their future duties in the service. By this re-organization, successfully completing their academic education at Air NCO Vocational HE School, the graduated NCOs are assigned to different units of Turkish Air Forces. The NCOs receive advanced training on professional knowledge and skills fitting their specialization in the service schools. Besides the professional knowledge and skills, they also have chance to develop their military culture and world knowledge in other training programs to be implemented within the scope of their life-long learning and training.







## ■ Military Training

The aim of the military training, in the light of Atatürk's Principles and Reforms, is to educate and train good persons, soldiers, and Air NCOs who obey to the principles of democratic, secular, social and constitutional state; have gained professional values and service consciousness; have the qualifications that are specified in the Turkish Armed Forces Internal Service Law and its Regulations and that the military personnel should obtain; have the adequate physical competence; perform their duties in combat environment and extraordinary situations unflappably; possess knowledge, skills and motivation and adopt the main values of the institution.

Military trainings are conducted under the supervision and command of elite officers and NCOs of Turkish Air Forces. Within this scope, Military Leadership, Safety, and Shooting Training is given under the Military Training in Air NCO Vocational HE School. Close order drill, combat training, survival training, military, and world knowledge are also provided within the scope of the military training.











## ■ Academic Education

During academic education, the Air NCO Vocational HE School aims to provide the students the undergraduate education which instills them service consciousness and professional values required by sense of military. The school also aims to help the students to target the scientific excellence in the field of aviation and space technologies; and to develop leadership ability, physical competence, strong character, and outstanding personality.

The students take the common courses provided in the fields of Basic Sciences, Military Sciences and Foreign Language in their first term. They receive undergraduate education in 10 different programs according to their service schools and their specialization from the beginning of the second term. The courses are given in 24-person classrooms all of which are well-equipped and English courses are provided at the advanced level.





# Turkish Air NCO Vocational HE School

## Departments

### ■ Aircraft Technology (Mechanics)

The modules in European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Part-66 are taken as references for the courses regarding aircraft airframe, mechanical systems, and engine. Within this scope, the theoretical subjects of all modules are given for three terms. The students who complete the undergraduate program receive NCO Specialization Training (ASITE) in 17 different specializations within Aircraft Maintenance Schools. Within the scope of ASITE, hands-on training in EASA Part-66 is given.



### ■ Aircraft Technology (Avionics)

The modules in European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Part-66 are taken as references for the courses regarding knowledge of electric and electronic systems of aircrafts and engines in the field of avionics. Within this scope, the theoretical subjects of all modules are given for three terms. The students who complete the undergraduate program receive NCO Specialization Training (ASITE) in eight different specializations within Aircraft Maintenance School. Within the scope of ASITE, hands-on training in EASA Part-66 is provided.



### ■ Security and Protection

The Department aims to train the students to become infantry NCOs who have competence to meet the needs of security in globalizing world, follow the developments in the field of security at home and aboard, know the laws in the field, and have self-confidence via supportive academic education that security units need. The students completed the undergraduate education receive NCO Specialization Training (ASITE) in the Security School.



### ■ Electrical Technology

The Department aims to train electrical technicians that Turkish Air Force Command needs in the fields of Electric and Barrier Systems, Electrical Power Supplies, Air Conditioning Systems, Sanitary Systems, and Heating Systems. Undergraduate education is provided in four different specializations.





### ■ Air Traffic Control

The Department aims to train the personnel that Turkish Air Force Command needs in Air Traffic, Air Operation, and Air Control services. In this department, undergraduate education is provided in three different services, namely Air Traffic, Air Operation, and Air Control.



### ■ Office Management and Administrative Assistancy

The Department aims to train the students to become NCOs serving in personnel, finance and intelligence branches. The objective of the personnel services is to plan and conduct the general administrative activities, assignment and discipline-moral activities; resignation, disability, martyrs and retirement operations; operations regarding civil servants and workers; personal records, promotion and classification operations and achieve activities. The graduated NCOs are also required to follow and implement the developments in the field of human resources management.



### ■ Computer Programming

The Department aims to train the contemporary computer programmers and operators who perform services in the fields that Turkish Air Force Command needs; know the main principles of the data processing systems, programming languages, network principles, graphic animation, management of web-sites and databases, the structure of hardware and operating system. The department has three different specializations, namely Computer Operating, Information System-Software, and Communication Centre Operating and Crypto.



### ■ Electronics and Communication Technology

The Department aims to train electronics and communication technicians that Turkish Air Force Command needs in the fields of communication, ammunition and demolition munitions, air defense, and electronic intelligence services. In the department, undergraduate education is provided in 23 different specializations (seven in communication service, one in ammunition and demolition munitions service, 13 in air defense service, and two in electronic intelligence service).





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## Departments

### ■ Logistics

The Department aims to educate and train the students to become NCOs who follow the developments in the world of logistics and interpret the logistic activities accordingly; practice the acquired knowledge in their future duties and perform effective cost planning; have comprehensive knowledge in supply chain functions; gain enough qualifications in storage, distribution and stock management. NCOs, who completed the undergraduate education in supply services, receive NCO Specialization Training (ASITE) in Supply and Administrative School.



### ■ Construction Technology

The Department aims to educate and train construction technicians that Turkish Air Forces Command needs in the services of engineering. Following the undergraduate education, the NCOs also receive specialization training.



### ■ Automotive Technology

The Department aims to educate and train automotive technicians that Turkish Air Force Command needs for transport, fire, and heavy equipment services. The department provides undergraduate education in four different specializations (one in transport service and three in engineering services).







### ■ Physical Education and Sports

The students gain the skills of hand-to-hand combat, functional exercise and weight training at good level to increase the combat effectiveness. In order for the students to gain the habit of participating in sports, exercises and competitions are conducted in Olympic branches (athletics, shooting, orienteering, crossing, fencing, football, cross fit, and basketball).



### ■ Social Activities

In order to contribute to social development of the students, club activities are carried out in 13 branches. Also, with the aim of improving the historical and cultural consciousness, participation in commemoration in national days, visits to historic sites (Afyon, Çanakkale, 57th Regiment, Cyprus, and Mausoleum of Atatürk), visits to hospitals and nursing homes and plays, concerts, and conferences are conducted. To increase the sense of belonging in service and military, activities such as internship, military unit visits, experience share, visits to martyrs' families, e-bulletins, and monthly bulletins are carried out.



### ■ Other Facilities and Support

A dormitory with four-person rooms having a capacity of 1200 students, a dining hall, two military messes, cafeteria, television rooms, billiard and chess rooms; 12 sport facilities including one sport center, two fitness centers, three tennis courts, two open basketball and volleyball courts, one fencing training station, one football pitch and two tartan track are in the service of the students. A mini movie theatre is also put into use of the students with the purpose of supporting English learning activities.







### ■ Social Opportunities

Successfully completing the military and academic education, the students graduate with the rank of sergeant and become entitled to take two diplomas (“NCO Diploma” and internationally recognized “Associate’s Degree Diploma” in the program they graduate from).

As well as becoming privileged personnel of an organization that is crucial for Turkish Nation, the graduated NCOs receive regular salary. The NCOs and their families benefit from Turkish Armed Forces’ opportunities such as lodgments, NCOs clubs, guest houses, summer and winter training facilities which offer services throughout the country. Since they are subject to retirement funds, they utilize the health care services. Families and dependants of the personnel have the right to benefit from all social facilities within the boundaries of the possibility.

### ■ National and Foreign Postgraduate Education

The NCOs also have the chance to carry on their education further by getting a bachelor’s degree in national and international universities, as well as receiving supplementary training and in-service courses regarding their services.

### ■ Foreign Missions

In addition to all of the above-mentioned opportunities, the NCOs may perform duties in the offices such as Military Attachés’ offices all around the world.





# Turkish Air NCO Vocational HE School

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Question: In what ways are the applications made for Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) Vocational Higher Education (HE) Schools of the Turkish National Defense University as International Student? Can I make individual application?**

**Answer: Individual application is not allowed for NCO Vocational HE Schools of the Turkish National Defense University. If there is a Military Training Cooperation Agreement between Turkey and the country wishing to send International Students, Military Attachés of the Republic of Turkey in the mentioned country conduct a selection process among the candidates determined by the sending country within the scope of the agreement.**

**Question: Do International Students pay fees for training and education in the NCO Vocational HE Schools? Are health expenses covered by Turkey? Do the International Students receive an allowance?**

**Answer: The issues such as training and education fees, health expenses, and allowances are determined in the Military Training Cooperation Agreement signed between Turkey and the sending country and the procedures are carried out as set out in the agreement.**

**Question: What is the language of education in NCO Vocational HE Schools?**

**Answer: The language of education in NCO Vocational HE Schools is Turkish. If the International Students already have proficiency in Turkish, they can start training and education immediately.**

**Question: I do not know Turkish at all / I do not have proficiency in Turkish for the training and education in NCO Vocational HE Schools. Can I still apply?**

**Answer: Yes, you can. NCO Vocational HE Schools provide Turkish Preparatory Class for one year to those who do not know Turkish at all or who do have proficiency in Turkish. You can continue your education in NCO Vocational HE School after successfully completing the Turkish Preparatory Class.**



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**Question: There are various academic departments (engineering, management, etc.) in NCO Vocational HE Schools. What is the procedure for the selections of departments?**

**Answer: International Students select their academic departments in accordance with their own choices, the sending countries' preferences, students' qualifications, and quotas set in the NCO Vocational HE Schools.**

**Question: Are the diplomas and other documents, which the International Students receive after graduation, internationally recognized?**

**Answer: NCO Vocational HE Schools are deep-rooted and elite vocational higher education schools and the Turkish National Defense University is a reputable university in Turkey. The diplomas and other documents received from these Schools are internationally recognized.**

**Question: Is there any difference for the success criteria for the courses and other training between the International Students and Turkish Students in the NCO Vocational HE Schools?**

**Answer: There is no difference in the success criteria for academic and military evaluation between the International Students and Turkish Students.**

**Question: How long is the period of study in NCO Vocational HE Schools?**

**Answer: The period of study is two years in NCO Vocational HE Schools.**

**Question: Do International Students also have to wear uniform as Turkish Students?**

**Answer: Yes, they have to. International Students wear the same uniform as Turkish Students. However, they wear flags of their countries on the sleeves.**



# Turkish Air NCO Vocational HE School

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Question: Do International Students have free time in weekends and public holidays just as the Turkish Students?**

**Answer: Yes, they can. The International Students take leave for weekends and public holidays. Moreover, they celebrate their own national holidays in the NCO Vocational HE Schools.**

**Question: How can I get detailed information about NCO Vocational HE Schools of the Turkish National Defense University and the procedures of application for International Students?**

**Answer: You can get detailed information about NCO Vocational HE Schools by visiting the web site of the Turkish National Defense University ([www.msu.edu.tr](http://www.msu.edu.tr)). In order to get information on the procedures for application, you can apply to Turkish Embassy and Turkish Military Attaché Office in your country.**





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