

The Rectorate, the Vice rectorates the Senate and the International Relations Office, has reached a decision whereby emphasis should be given on the full implementation of the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) which has already been applied by some departments. Our acquisition activities focus on English-speaking countries, Scandinavia and Eastern Europe as well as Baltic and Mediterranean Countries from EU region. The approach of an equal and open education for each participant is adopted.

Studies are also being held in terms of double programs. There are many scientific projects conducted at faculty level which are jointly carried out with different associates from different institutions from Europe partially in faculty of agricultural sciences, and in faculty of arts and sciences. Also faculty of agricultural sciences by the help of audiovisual systems a live courses are offered to different universities abroad and the students in abroad and in our institution has the chance to follow courses at the same time. In addition Faculty of Marine Sciences the accreditation has already been achieved with 2 different universities in Europe. Besides faculty initiatives, Ordu University Erasmus Unit seeks for wider internationalization and for this purpose, supports the faculty internationalization initiatives and extends the scope of mobility. Erasmus unit has already become a member of international online networks like moveon and wishes projects. Our Erasmus unit is open to visit requests at any time.

The goal of the institution is to strengthen and further develop mobility activities with EU and Non-EU participants at all eight faculties. Our international orientation has resulted in the adaptation of a strategy leading to academic excellence in a wider international context.

Our institution aims at improving the quality of education and recognition and has awarded diploma supplement. While deciding a partner, the availability of the institution for exchange, attitudes towards internationalization, mutual contribution to common mission and goals is taken into account. Neighbour Non-EU countries and EU countries is our target area for international partnerships as well as entire European countries.

In student mobility activities our target group is generally first and second cycle students in mobility activities besides short cycle and third cycle students.

The institution admits students from various countries of Middle Asia and Middle East (e.g. Iran, Georgia, Kazakhstan) especially at the faculty level. In this respect fulltime students are admitted partially to faculty of medicine and faculty of agricultural sciences and are offered four or six years of learning opportunity, besides mobility activities. During the study period at Ordu University, no type of discrimination in terms of religion, beliefs, race, gender and age, etc. is made.

In order to internationalize, cooperation protocols from different geographical regions (Middle East, Europe, Middle Asia) are signed and similar cooperation are kept going on. The mobility activities, takes places in annual strategic plan of the institution. Also the Higher Education Council and national agency as a supra institution above all universities, encourages and monitors the internationalization of the institution through reports or questionnaire.

The institution not only encourages the outgoing but also motivates many scholars from different universities abroad. ODU, tries to take good applications in terms of exchange or scientific activities to the receiving institution. ODU, due to the geographic and climate advantages of the city where its located, by its internationalization vision, is expected to double the number of students and scholars from Europe in the following years.