REGULATION FOR JOINT POSTGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM REGISTRATION, ADMISSION AND IMPLEMENTATION

(The Eastern Mediterranean University Senate has prepared the following Regulation in accordance with Article 16 of the By-law for the Establishment, Operation and Working Principles of the Eastern Mediterranean University Institute for Graduate Studies and Research.)

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Brief Title 1. Eastern Mediterranean University Joint Postgraduate Degree Program Registration, Admission and Implementation Regulation

Aim 2. The aim of these regulations is to determine the methods and principles of the operation of the joint academic postgraduate programs to be settled between the Eastern Mediterranean University and another institution of higher education within the scope of a collaboration protocol or protocols.

Definition 3. (1) A Joint Degree Program refers to the Postgraduate program to be carried out by Eastern Mediterranean University in collaboration with another institution of higher education.

(2) Unless otherwise stated in the protocol, “Joint Degree” specified in this regulation refers to the diploma jointly prepared by both universities and certifying the graduation of the student upon the completion of the education jointly offered by both universities.

Scope 4. This regulation covers the provisions regarding the student admission, examinations and evaluation, attendance, leave of absence, maximum durations, graduation conditions and diplomas to be awarded in the Joint Degree Programs.

II. MAIN PROVISIONS

Student Admissions in Joint Degree Programs 5. For students to be eligible to study in Joint Degree Programs, they are expected to meet the minimum conditions of both universities.

Method of Tuition Fee Payment 6. The name of the university to which the tuition fee should be paid is clearly indicated in the protocol. In the event of the tuition fee being paid to EMU, relevant provisions of the existing rules and regulations are applied.

Duration of Studies, Academic Failure 7. Duration of studies in Joint Postgraduate Degree Programs is determined through protocols. In the event of a student’s registration being cancelled due to academic failure and for other reasons by one of the universities specified as a party in the relevant agreement, provisions of the relevant rules, regulations and by-laws of the university from which the student receives education are taken into account.

Joint Degree 8. (1) In the joint postgraduate degree program, a single diploma bearing the titles of both universities, unless otherwise stated in the protocol, is awarded to a student who has successfully fulfilled the academic requirements of both institutions.
The expressions which will appear on the diploma are clearly stated in the protocols settled between the relevant parties.

Without fulfilling both institution’s academic requirements in the joint degree program, students do not earn the right to receive a diploma.

Curriculum
9. Curriculum of the joint program, specifications and credit value of the curricular activities including courses, laboratories, applications, projects and thesis and division of the curriculum amongst the universities carrying out the program are specified in the protocol established between the two institutions of higher education.

Grading System
10. (1) Grading systems and success conditions belonging to each party taking part in the joint program are defined separately in the protocol.

(2) Principles of and methods for how and at which party failed courses or other activities in one of the partying universities will be made up for and how the cumulative grade point average will be calculated in the joint program are specified in the protocol.

(3) For the graduation of a student to take place, the student is expected to fulfill the conditions of both parties as well as all academic requirements of the program.

Leave of absence
11. (1) Upon the mutual agreement of both institutions, a student may be granted a leave of absence in compelling circumstances that can be proven with relevant documents. Relevant provisions of the existing rules, regulations and by-laws are applied for students taking a leave of absence.

(2) Time spent during leave of absence is not included in the maximum period of study.

Disciplinary Provisions
12. Students are subject to the Disciplinary Regulations of the university in which they study.

Matters not Clearly Specified
13. Any issues not clearly defined in these regulations and in the protocol settled between the two universities are subject to the provisions of “Regulation for EMU Graduate Programs, Registration and Admission: and “Regulation for EMU Postgraduate Studies and Examinations”. The Institute Board has full authority in matters not prescribed anywhere at all.

III. FINAL PROVISIONS

Executive Power
14. These regulations are executed by the Eastern Mediterranean University Rectors’ Office.

Coming into Force
15. This regulation comes into force following its approval by the Eastern Mediterranean University Senate.