## **BEYKOZ UNIVERSITY**

# APPLICATION PRINCIPLES OF MASTER'S SEMINAR COURSE

# Purpose and Scope

**Article 1** - (1) The purpose of these application principles is to determine the principles regarding the operation of the seminar course in the graduate programs carried out within Beykoz University Graduate Programs Institute.

**Article 2** - (1) These principles of practice have been prepared on the basis of Higher Education Law No. 2547, Higher Education Council Graduate Education Regulation and Beykoz University Graduate Education Regulation.

# Purpose of the Seminar Course, Offering and Evaluation Criteria

**Article 3** - (1) The aim of the seminar course is to learn how to do scientific research within the framework of graduate programs, how to write and present a scientific document, and to determine the subject of the master thesis.

(1) In order for the graduate students with thesis to register for the thesis, it is compulsory to provide and take the seminar course.

(2) Seminar course can be opened every semester in graduate programs, but the student

can register at the earliest second semester of the course period.

(3) Seminar course is without local credit, has 18 ECTS credits and opened three (3) hours a week.

ECTS credits of the seminar course can be determined on a program basis by the decision of the Institute Board.

At the end of the semester s/he is enrolled in this course, the student is evaluated as "Successful" or "Unsuccessful".

(5) Seminar course is given by competent faculty members in the related department.

(6) It is compulsory for the student to attend the seminar course by 70 percent. Seminar

Students who fail to fulfill the course requirement will be considered unsuccessful in this course.

## **Teaching of the Seminar Course**

**Article 4** - (1) During the first two weeks of the seminar course, the lecturer informs his/her students about their research methods. The student's deficiencies on the issues such as raising a research question, converting it into a thesis format, determining the working method are corrected.

(2) In the third and fourth weeks, considering the interests and competencies of the students, a subject related to the master thesis is determined for each student. If the student wishes, they can also choose a topic other than the thesis topic.

(3) In the fifth and sixth weeks, the student determines the research subject, main and sub questions, of the subject s/he would study on, its method, draft and main sections with the instructor.

(4) From the seventh week onwards, students begin to read on the subject of study under the supervision of the lecturer. The lecturer regularly follows the readings and researches of the student for a week every week.

(5) The student presents his readings about the study subject until the end of the semester s/he is registered in the class within the specified time. The number of presentations that the student will make or whether s/he will make any presentations at all during the semester is determined by the lecturer, depending on the number of students taking the seminar course.

(6) The student submits a research proposal to the instructor at the end of the semester s/he is registered to the course. The proposal includes a bibliography including research subject, literature review, method, measurement tools to be used, if any, and possible sources. Instead, the student who wishes can perform a study suitable for research methods through literature review on the subject of research.

(7) The weekly flow given above for the processing of the seminar course can be determined on a program basis by the decision of the Institute Board.

# Enforcement

**Article 5** - (1) These application principles come into force upon the acceptance of the Beykoz University Senate.

# Execution

(2) This application is executed by the Rector of Beykoz University.