



The Challenges of Globality for the University in Forming Future Generations in the 21st Century: Anadolu University

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Areas of innovation & development

- **Democratic and modern education**
- **Experienced academic staff**
- **Well-equipped infrastructure**
- **Intensive English language
program**



INITIATIVES & VISION

- **The Distance Education System:** *40% of all the university students in Turkey are enrolled in Anadolu University Distance Education System.*
- **Our Vision:** *Offering new opportunities for education institutions and lifelong learners on the basis of the most up-to-date information and state-of-the-art communication technologies.*



MISSION

By closely following the technological and scientific developments, educating individuals to play an active role in shaping up the future, while by focusing on lifelong learning, involving all sections and age groups of society in the process of learning. .



CORE VALUES

- **Transparency**
- **Accountability**
- **Fairness**
- **Human-centeredness**
- **Innovativeness**
- **Creativity**
- **Reliability**
- **Excellence**
- **Universality**



SHAPING FUTURE GENERATIONS

Expanding access, openness & flexibility

- Maximizing social & cultural interactions,
- Helping them become digital citizens,
- Focusing on digital literacy and fluency,
- Developing risk intelligence,
- Establishing high-quality programs for everybody from around the world,
- Making lifelong learning accessible to everyone,
- Making the most of information and communication technologies.



Key Factors: Learner-University Partnership and R&D

- **Visiting the branch offices in different locations to meet the students,**
- **Inviting students to the campus,**
- **Establishing student clubs for distance learners,**
- **Collaborating with the distance student ambassadors,**
- **R&D on Staff, faculty and professionals' development and training,**
- **R&D on Gathering knowledge and information from best practices,**
- **R&D on Formal, informal and non-formal diverse learners,**
- **R&D on Increasing the effectiveness of services offered to immigrants and refugees**



DIMENSIONS OF THE FUTURE SYSTEM

- **Learning Community**
- **Accountability & Quality Insurance**
- **Sustainable Learning**
- **Collaboration**
- **Diversity & Equity**
- **Roles & Rules**
- **Continuing Transformation**



QUALITY OF THE FUTURE SYSTEM

- Practice action-based learning
- Develop a common shared professional vision of grounded learning
- Serve as an instrument of change
- Extend learning community
- Ensure professional accountability
- Engage with the university context
- Engage in joint work
- Ensure equitable opportunities
- Evaluate policies & practices to support equitable learning outcomes
- Develop assesment, collect information, and use results



MULTICULTURAL & INCLUSIVE APPROACH

Anadolu University makes a point of addressing multiculturalism and tolerance by taking global and local responsibility, and supporting immigrants and refugees with inclusive lifelong learning.



OUR R&D OBJECTIVES

Objective 1. Becoming a distinguished leader in higher education, strengthening research activities, and creating world-class research competencies.

Objective 2. Remaining accessible to diverse learners by establishing powerful research infrastructure support with collaborations.

Objective 3. Creating strong R&D links with countries which are the leading players in the world, and accelerating the achievement of adaptive, career-long, and interactive objectives of the 21st century.



Anadolu University's most successful innovations for future generations

- **System**
- **Students**
- **New Learning Milieus**
- **In-Service Training of Academic Staff**
- **On-Campus Students & Faculty in the Face-to-Face System**



SUMMARY & FUTURE COMMITMENT

- **Anadolu University will be a key research-based excellence center in Turkey with a regional, national and global approach.**
- **Anadolu University will advocate social justice, and build on regional & national strengths by aligning initiatives with global contributions.**
- **Anadolu University will help researchers develop worldwide research infrastructure, and foster their innovation potential by following the related international policy and ethics.**



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