

SAKARYA UNIVERSITY

2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR STUDENT SENATE

11th MEETING REPORT

03.11.2021

The eleventh student senate meeting started at 12:00 on Wednesday, October 3, 2021, with the participation of students, the Rector (Prof. Dr. Fatih SAVAŞAN), Student Dean (Prof. Dr. Mehmet Barış HORZUM), and Assistant Student Dean (Dr. Lecturer Hakkı Bağcı) in the Rectorate Senate Meeting Hall, with the opening speech of the Student Dean. In the speech, the difficulties encountered in the 2021-2022 Academic Year after the pandemic, the role and functions of the Student Senate in this regard were explained, and the importance of the student senate was emphasized. Then, students were asked about their questions, problems, and experiences with Sakarya University in the 2021-2022 Academic Year. Student feedback was reported as follows:

- 1) It was suggested by students that first aid cabinets that are missing should be completed by ensuring controls by the relevant unit managers of all educational units.
- 2) It was proposed that the Sakarya University SABİS Mobile system be updated to become more usable.
- 3) It was requested that instructors be informed about accessibility and additional time for disabled students to prevent problems during exams.
- 4) For disabled students (especially visually impaired students), it was requested to create raised guides from the campus entrance to easily access classrooms and other spaces, renew worn-out ones, and add missing ramps at building entrances and inside classrooms (to access the board).
- 5) It was suggested to add traffic signs and sound-warning traffic lights at necessary points to prevent disabled students from experiencing traffic problems on campus.
- 6) It was requested to change the location of the elevators on the kitchen side to allow disabled students to easily access the student cafeteria above the central cafeteria.
- 7) It was noted that second-term students are experiencing problems due to insufficient street lighting around the Industrial Engineering (M5) building.
- 8) It was requested to minimize the 15-day application period for club activities affiliated with faculties.
- 9) It was suggested to inform department heads and education unit managers about the definition of SAÜ Social Transcript application and how the system works.

10) It was mentioned that the breaks between classes are short in the Health Sciences Faculty, and the existing canteens are far away, causing going back and forth problems, and a canteen near the building was requested.

11) SAÜ Library closing hours were discussed, and it was requested to allow students until the closing time.

12) It was suggested to diversify communication channels as students have difficulty communicating with course instructors.

13) It was stated that the Art Design and Architecture Faculty lacks canteen umbrellas, which students request, and computers available for student use in the Art Design and Architecture Faculty building have problems, and it was requested to resolve these issues.