

Course Profile - Department of International Relations

Course Number : POLS 342	Course Title : Turkey-EU Relations
Required / Elective : Elective	Pre / Co-requisites : -
Description: The history of relations between the EU and Turkey with reference to formal process of membership application.	Textbook: Will be selected by the instructor.
Course Structure / Schedule : (3+0+0) 3 / 6 ECTS	
Extended Description: The history of relations between the EU and Turkey with reference to formal process of membership application. Copenhagen criteria and harmonization with Union's Aquis. Domestic adjustment to the EU in terms of political behavior, policy processes and institutional changes. Selected topics related to European relations such as human rights, immigration, foreign policy and security.	
Design content : None	Computer usage: Required for paper writing
<p>Course Outcomes: By the end of this course, students will be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the historical background and examine the legal basis of the official relations. Evaluate and understand current relations in the context of the history of relations • Analyse the interaction between the different aspects (political, economic and legal) of the current relations. • To be able to analyse critical issues of Turkey's candidacy. 	
Teaching methods: Lectures, class discussion, paper writing	
Course Outline	
Week	Topics
1	Why Study the European Union?
2	Post-WWII Europe and the First Steps Towards Integration
3	Theories of European Integration
4	Turkey, EU, US Triangle
5	Introducing Turkey to the Union
6	Dynamics of Enlargement
7	Review and Midterm
8	Turkey and EU's Foreign Policy
9	The European Identity and Turkey
10	Turkey, EU, and the Cyprus Issue
11	Domestic Politics of EU Membership
12	The EU and Turkey's Democratization

13	Student Presentations
14	Student Presentations

Assessment methods:

Term Paper	20%
Midterm exam	30%
Class participation and quizzes	10%
Final exam	40%

Contribution of Course Learning Outcomes to Program Outcomes

	Program Outcomes	*Level of Contribution				
		1	2	3	4	5
IR1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of International Relations and be able to apply them to historical and current events					x
IR2	Understand the historical processes of political structures and institutions					x
IR3	Be able to follow the world political conjuncture					x
IR4	Grasp the structures and functions of international/regional/intergovernmental organizations					x
IR5	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects					x
IR6	Understand the international legal framework					x
IR7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on international relations				x	
PS1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of Political Science and be able to apply them to historical and current events					
PS2	Understand the historical processes, structures, and functions of political institutions					
PS3	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects					
PS4	Understand the mechanisms of political change (such as voting, lobbying, political movements, legal reforms, revolution, etc.)			x		

PS5	Possess knowledge about those fundamental issues that shape political and societal life (such as race, gender, class, environment, security, religion, identity, etc.)				x	
PS6	Acknowledge that political phenomena can be explained differently by different schools of thought					
PS7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on politics					
8	Think independently, creatively, and critically					x
9	Be an entrepreneur and take initiative					
10	Have self-confidence					
11	Have the ability to carry out systematic comparisons and rightly differentiate similarities and differences					
12	Be open-minded and prepared to work together with people from different cultures and groups				x	
13	Be aware and a follower of social responsibilities as well as political rights and freedoms				x	
14	Internalize work ethics and behave accordingly					x
15	Be able to speak and deliver presentations in front of public					
16	Understand, read, and write in English					x
17	Have the ability to observe, analyze, and report					x
18	Be able to implement the principles and methods of scientific research					
19	Understand and interpret statistical data					
20	Be prone to team work					
21	Possess computer and technological literacy				x	

*1 Lowest, 2 Low, 3 Average, 4 High, 5 Highest

Student workload:

Reading	53 hrs
Lectures	39 hrs
Exam preparation	28 hrs
Term paper writing	25 hrs
Exams	5

TOTAL 150 hrs (25x6) 6 ECTS

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