

COURSE PROFILE

Course Name	Code	Semester	Term	Theory+PS+Lab (hour/week)	Local Credits	ECTS
Theory of the State	POLS 440	Spring	8	3+0+0	3	5

Prerequisites	None
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Course Language	English
Course Type	Elective
Course Lecturer	Asst. Prof. Seda Demrialp
Course Assistant	Elif Çağlı
Course Objectives	<p>This class will explore the formation of the modern nation state in the West and elsewhere. The major focus of the class will be to understand the economic and political processes that gave way to the rise of the modern state institution and democratic political systems in the West. The class will also investigate why such processes were absent in other parts of the world such as the Middle East and Africa and how the absence of such processes and (particularly the lack of a tax-paying bourgeoisie) prevented the expansion of democratic rights and effective governance in parts of the developing world. The class will also consider the impact of the state institution on political life, public-private relations, and the future of the state in the globalizing world.</p>
Course Learning Outcomes	<p>By the end of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze the historical, economic, and political processes which shaped the formation of the modern state Understand the relationship between tax-paying and right for representation Understand the difference between state size and state efficiency Understand the “public-private” distinction Analyze the ways in which the state can shape political and economic life and be shaped by them Compare and contrast different state establishments in different parts of the world Use course information to analyze new cases regarding the role of the state, and present such analyses through research papers and class presentation
Course Content	The nature of the state. The absolutist, constitutionalist, ethical, class and the pluralist theories of the State.

COURSE CONTENT

Week	Subjects	Related
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Course Textbook	reader provided by the instructor
Recommended References	

Semester Requirements	Number	Percentage of Grade
Attendance/Participation		10
Laboratory		
Application		
Special Course Internship (Work Placement)		
Quizzes/Studio Critics		
Homework Assignments	1	15
Presentation	1	15
Project		
Seminar/Workshop		
Midterms/Oral Exams	1	20
Final/Resit Exam	1	40
Total	4	100

Percentage of Semester Work	3	60
Percentage of Final Work	1	40
Total	4	100

COURSE'S CONTRIBUTION TO PROGRAM

#	Program Qualifications / Outcomes	Level of Contribution *				
		1	2	3	4	5
IR 1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of International Relations and be able to apply them to historical and current events			X		
IR 2	Understand the historical processes of political structures and institutions				X	
IR 3	Be able to follow the world political conjuncture				X	
IR 4	Grasp the structures and functions of international/regional/intergovernmental organizations			X		
IR 5	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects				X	
IR 6	Understand the international legal framework			X		
IR 7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on international relations			X		
PS 1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of Political Science and be able to apply them to historical and current events					X
PS 2	Understand the historical processes, structures, and functions of political institutions					X
PS 3	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects				X	
PS 4	Understand the mechanisms of political change (such as voting, lobbying, political movements, legal reforms, revolution, etc.)				X	
PS	Possess knowledge about those fundamental issues that		X			

5	shape political and societal life (such as race, gender, class, environment, security, religion, identity, etc.)					
PS 6	Acknowledge that political phenomena can be explained differently by different schools of thought				X	
PS 7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on politics			X		
8	Think independently, creatively, and critically			X		
9	Be an entrepreneur and take initiative		X			
10	Have self-confidence			X		
11	Have the ability to carry out systematic comparisons and rightly differentiate similarities and differences				X	
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			X		
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	X				
19	Understand and interpret statistical data	X				
20	Be prone to team work		X			
21	Possess computer and technological literacy	X				

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

**ECTS ALLOCATED BASED ON STUDENT WORKLOAD BY THE COURSE
DESCRIPTION**

Activities	Number	Duration (Hours)	Total Workload
Course Hours (Including Exams)			40
Tutorials			
Laboratory			
Application			
Special Course Internship (Work Placement)			
Field Work			
Study Hours Out of Class			
Presentations / Seminar			15
Project			
Preparatory reading	11	5	55
Homework Assignments	1	10	10
Quizzes			
Midterm Exams	1	2	2
Final / Resit Exam	1	3	3
Total Workload			125

COURSE CATEGORY

ISCED GENERAL AREA CODES	GENERAL AREAS	ISCED BASIC AREA CODES	BASIC EDUCATIONAL AREAS	
1	Education	14	Teacher training and education science	0
2	Humanities and Arts	21	Arts	0
		22	Humanities	0
3	Social sciences, Business and Law	31	Social and behavioural science	100
		32	Journalism and information	0
		34	Business and administration	0
		38	Law	0
4	Science, Mathematics and Computing	42	Life science	0
		44	Physical science	0
		46	Mathematics and statistics	0
		48	Computing	0
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	52	Engineering and Engineering Trades	0
		54	Manufacturing and processing	0
		58	Architecture and building	0
6	Agriculture and Veterinary	62	Agriculture, forestry and fishery	0
		64	Veterinary	0
7	Health and Welfare	72	Health	0
		76	Social services	0
8	Services	81	Personal services	0

		84	Transport services	0
		85	Environmental protection	0
		86	Security services	0