

Course Profile - Department of International Relations

Course Number: IR 508	Course Title: Turkish Foreign Policy
Required / Elective: Required	Pre / Co-requisites: -
Catalog Description: Historical evolution of Turkish foreign policy since the foundation of the Republic. Domestic and international factors that shape Turkish foreign policy	Textbook / Required Material : Reader provided by the instructor
Course Structure / Schedule: (3+0+0) 3 / 7 ECTS	
Extended Description: This course is designed to introduce students to the literature on Turkish foreign policy. In this course, we are first going to discuss some of the major concepts and theoretical approaches in the subfield of foreign policy analysis. Then, we are going to talk about a number of major issues in Turkish foreign policy, including but not limited to, Turkey-EU relations, Turkey's foreign policy in the Middle East and Turkey-United States relations. In our discussions we are going to explain Turkish foreign policy within the context of domestic, regional, and international dynamics.	
Design content: None	Computer usage: Required for assignments
<p>Course Outcomes:</p> <p>By the end of this course, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire in-depth knowledge about the major concepts and theoretical approaches in foreign policy analysis. • Extend their knowledge about Turkish foreign policy. • Acquire the necessary analytical tools to apply various theories of foreign policy analysis to real world events in Turkish foreign policy. • Improve their analytical and critical thinking skills. 	
Teaching methods: Lectures, class discussion, video clips, slides	
Course Outline	
Week	Topics
1	Introduction
2	Foreign Policy Analysis I: Realism
3	Foreign Policy Analysis II: Identity and Culture
4	Foreign Policy Analysis III: Bureaucratic Politics and Organizational Politics Models
5	Foreign Policy Analysis IV: Individual level
6	Historical Background of Turkish Foreign Policy
7	Turkey-European Union Relations
8	Cyprus Issue

9	Turkey-Middle East Relations: The Arab World
10	Turkey-Middle East Relations: Iran and Israel
11	Turkey-United States Relations I
12	Turkey-United States Relations II: After the Iraq War
13	Turkey and the Politics of Energy
14	The Future of Turkish Foreign Policy

Assessment methods:

Class participation: 10%

5 Review Essays: 45%

Final exam: 45%

Contribution of Course Learning Outcomes to Program Outcomes

	Program Outcomes	*Level of Contribution				
		1	2	3	4	5
MIR1	Possess in-depth knowledge about the fundamental concepts and theories of the discipline of International Relations					X
MIR2	Be aware of the theoretical approaches related to the issues of the system, nation-state, institutions, culture, and power in world politics					X
MIR3	Follow closely the contemporary world conjuncture					X
MIR4	Be able to question the well-established knowledge and causal relationships in the field of International Relations					X
MIR5	Be aware of the shortcomings and gaps in the International Relations literature and be able to carry out research that addresses these gaps and shortcomings					X
MIR6	Comprehend various scientific research methods and be able to use these methods effectively					X
MIR7	Be able to produce an original, scientific study in the field of International Relations					X
MIR8	Be able to think independently, creatively, and critically					X
MIR9	Embrace work ethics and behave accordingly					X
MIR10	Be open-minded towards new phenomena that emerge in world politics and the politics of states					X
MIR11	Have self confidence and acquire the ability to deliver presentations in public					X

MIR12	Be able to work together with individuals from different cultures, beliefs, and opinions			x														
*1 Lowest, 2 Low, 3 Average, 4 High, 5 Highest																		
<p>Student workload:</p> <table data-bbox="379 421 1182 656"> <tr> <td>Reading</td> <td>70 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lectures</td> <td>32 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Class discussion</td> <td>10 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Review essays</td> <td>15 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Research paper</td> <td>48 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>175 hrs (25x7) 7 ECTS</td> </tr> </table>							Reading	70 hrs	Lectures	32 hrs	Class discussion	10 hrs	Review essays	15 hrs	Research paper	48 hrs	TOTAL	175 hrs (25x7) 7 ECTS
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