



**AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY**  
**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**  
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**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS MASTER'S WITHOUT THESIS**  
**COURSE INFORMATION FORM**

Course Title	Theoretical Approaches to International Relations								
Course Code	UYL513	Course Level			Second Cycle (Master's Degree)				
ECTS Credit	5	Workload	127 (Hours)	Theory	3	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course	To be able to look and analyze international relations from different theoretical perspectives								
Course Content	The main concepts and theories of the international relations discipline; realism, liberalism, English school, neo-versions of the main theories, and critical theories								
Work Placement	N/A								
Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods	Explanation (Presentation), Discussion, Individual Study								
Name of Lecturer(s)									

Assessment Methods and Criteria		
Method	Quantity	Percentage (%)
Midterm Examination	1	40
Final Examination	1	60

Recommended or Required Reading	
1	Dunne, T., Kurki, M., & Smith, S. (eds) (2007). International relations theories: discipline and diversity. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2	Griffiths, M. (2007). International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction. London:Routledge.
3	Burchill, S. (2005). Theories of International Relations. New York: Palgrave MacMillan.

Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
2	Theoretical	Classical Realism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
3	Theoretical	Neorealism (Structural Realism)
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
4	Theoretical	Neoclassical Realism
	Preparation Work	Colin Elman ve Miriam Fendius Elman (eds), Progress in International Relations Theory: Appraising the Field, MIT Press, 2003. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
5	Theoretical	Offensive and Defensive Realism
	Preparation Work	Scott Burchill, Theories of International Relations, Palgrave, 2005.
6	Theoretical	Liberalism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
7	Intermediate Exam	Midterm Exams
8	Intermediate Exam	Midterm Exams



9	Theoretical	Idealism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
10	Theoretical	Neoliberalism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
11	Theoretical	Constructivism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
12	Theoretical	British School
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
13	Theoretical	Marxism and Critical Theory
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
14	Theoretical	Feminism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Martin Griffiths, International Relations Theory for the Twenty-First Century: An introduction, Routledge, 2007.
15	Theoretical	Postmodernism
	Preparation Work	Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki ve Steve Smith (ed), International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity, Oxford University Press, 2007. Scott Burchill, Theories of International Relations, Palgrave, 2005.
16	Final Exam	Final Exams

### Workload Calculation

Activity	Quantity	Preparation	Duration	Total Workload
Lecture - Theory	14	3	3	84
Assignment	1	15	1	16
Practice Examination	1	10	1	11
Midterm Examination	1	15	1	16
			Total Workload (Hours)	127
			[Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS	5

\*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS

### Learning Outcomes

1	To be able to describe the historical and philosophical grounds of theories of international relations
2	To be able to compare international events by using different approaches
3	Gain an understanding of foreign policy analysis under the framework of international relations
4	To be able to learn in what levels of analysis states take decisions
5	To be able to tackle real world issues with case studies

