



AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Course Title		Politics and Society in 21st Century							
Course Code		SOSY606		Course Level		Third Cycle (Doctorate Degree)			
ECTS Credit	5	Workload	120 (<i>Hours</i>)	Theory	3	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course		In the last twenty years, as with in many areas, there have been significant changes in politics this. The main aim of this course is to re-examine or rethink the relationship between society and the politics. For this end we will be focusing on the changing nature of politics. As well as function, extend, and structure of politics will be investigated. At the main time we will be looking at the themes, concepts that many observers noticed such as new right and its inseparable component neoliberalism, postmodern thinking, and risk society and erosion of Trust.							
Course Content		Re-thinking politics in the 21st century; The consequences of rising new right and neo-liberalism; Post-modern philosophy and the problems of the breaking of cultural authority; The problem of finding alternatives; Re-thinking the political actor.							
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	20
Final Examination	1	60
Assignment	1	20

Recommended or Required Reading

1	Adam, B. Beck, U. and Van Loon, J. (eds) (2000) The Risk Society and Beyond, London: Sage
2	Ahmet Yücekök (1987) Siyaset'in toplumsal tabanı. JA 76 .Y82 1987
3	Ali Yaşar Sarıbay (2001) Postmodernite Sivil Toplum ve İslam, Alfa, İst.
4	Bahattin Akşit (1985) Köy, kasaba ve kentlerde toplumsal değişme. HT 147 .T9 .A47 1985.
5	Delibaş, K. (2008) Dini Kimlik ve Katılımcı Birey: Kimlik Siyaseti ve Türkiye'de Siyasal İslamın Yükselişi, Amme İdaresi Dergisi, Cilt 41 Sayı 2 Haziran 2008.
6	Ersin Kalaycıoğlu ve A. Yaşar Sarıbay, Türkiye de Siyaset : Süreklilik ve Değişim, Der Yayınları, İst.
7	Furedi, F (2005) The Politics Of Fear, Continuum International Publishing,
8	Furedi, F. (1997) Culture of Fear: Risk-Taking and The Morality of Low Expectation, Cassell, London
9	Michaela Benson and Rolland Munro (2011) Sociological Routes and Political Roots, Wiley-Blackwell.

Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Theoretical	Introduction: Key Issues and Concepts
2	Theoretical	Post - II. Constitutional Monarchy Politics; Politics in Last Days of Ottoman Empire.
3	Theoretical	From Foundation of Turkish Republic to the 1950s: Years of Multi-Party Politics
4	Theoretical	Politics of Centre-Periphery
5	Theoretical	Transition in to the Multi-Party Politics: Socio-political Reasons of the Transition
6	Theoretical	Military Coupe of the 1960: Reasons and Consequences Explained
7	Theoretical	Years of 1960s Main Political Actors and Debate
8	Intermediate Exam	MIDTERM EXAM
9	Theoretical	Politics in the 1970s: Sociology of Youth Politics
10	Theoretical	Military Coupe of 12 March 1971: The Escalation of Social Clash and MC Governments
11	Theoretical	Military Coupe of 12 September 1980: Social, economic and Political Implications
12	Theoretical	Politics in 1990s
13	Theoretical	Identity Politics: Implications in Turkey
14	Theoretical	Politics in the 2000s: The AKP Governments I
15	Theoretical	Politics in the 2000s: The AKP Governments II
16	Final Exam	FINAL EXAM



Workload Calculation

Activity	Quantity	Preparation	Duration	Total Workload
Lecture - Theory	14	0	3	42
Assignment	1	2	3	5
Reading	1	2	2	4
Midterm Examination	1	30	2	32
Final Examination	1	35	2	37
Total Workload (Hours)				120
[Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS				5
*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS				

Learning Outcomes

1	To have an advanced knowledge of society and politics. Also to grasp the main themes, concepts and theories that the course requires.
2	Grasp the social theories of society and politics at the 21th century and ability to connect them to the wider contemporary social theory;
3	Investigate and understand the significant changes occurred in the last twenty years and to grasp what these changes mean for the society and politics at the beginning of the 21th century;
4	Grasp the changing nature and dynamics of society and to investigate how they will affect the political action;
5	An ability to critically evaluate issues at hand and to have an objective approach;

Programme Outcomes (Sociology Doctorate)

1	To be able to understand and explain the functioning of social structure, institutions and processes, and social action.
2	Ability to make advanced sociological analyzes based on the current theoretical and conceptual framework.
3	To be able to think critically about the causes and consequences of social inequalities (in the areas of class, ethnicity, religion, and gender).
4	To be able to use sociological research methods and techniques effectively in work life and academic studies.
5	To be able to understand and explain social and intercultural differences from a comparative perspective.
6	Being sensitive to universal values and ecological problems by using a scientific perspective.
7	To be able to look at current social problems and phenomena from an interdisciplinary perspective.
8	To follow current sociological developments, to be open to professional innovations and to be able to predict.
9	Having professional sensitivity and scientific ethical responsibility.
10	To be able to express oneself in an advanced academic sense, both verbally and in writing, and to communicate effectively.
11	To be able to follow basic sociological texts in a foreign language.

Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Programme Outcomes 1:Very Low, 2:Low, 3:Medium, 4:High, 5:Very High

	L1	L2	L3	L4	L5
P1	4	3	4	3	4
P2	4	3	4	3	4
P3	4	3	4	3	4
P4	4	3	4	3	4
P5	4	3	4	3	4
P6	4	3	4	3	4
P7	4	3	4	3	4
P8	4	3	4	3	3
P9	4	3	4	3	4
P10	4	3	4	3	3
P11	4	3	4	3	4

