# AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY
# COURSE INFORMATION FORM

| Course Title | American Foreign Policy | | | | | | |
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| Course Code | UGYL514 | | Couse Level | Second Cycle (Master's Degree) | | | |
| ECTS Credit | 5 | Workload | 125 *(Hours)* | Theory | 3 | Practice | 0 | Laboratory | 0 |
| Objectives of the Course | The objective of this course is to provide students with a historical and theoretical understanding of American foreign policy. Students will develop the ability to appreciate recurrent patterns in American foreign policy and analyze the content of American foreign policy from a theoretical perspective. | | | | | | |
| Course Content | The course introduces students to the historical evolution and traditions of American foreign policy. The course will also focus on the current issues and problems in American foreign policy. You have to prepare and present a policy brief (approx. 2000 - 2500 words) on a contemporary issue in American foreign policy. It will be a group project. Your groups and issues will be assigned by lecturer in the first couple weeks of the semester. More information will be provided about policy briefs during the semester. Additional readings and announcement about the course will be done via Blogy (http://blogy.ieu.edu.tr). Attendance will be taken randomly. | | | | | | |
| Work Placement | N/A | | | | | | |
| Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods | | | Explanation (Presentation), Discussion | | | | |
| Name of Lecturer(s) | | | | | | | |

## Assessment Methods and Criteria

| Method | Quantity | Percentage (%) |
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| Midterm Examination | 1 | 40 |
| Final Examination | 1 | 60 |

## Recommended or Required Reading

| 1 | A Concise History of U.S. Foreign Policy (3rd Edition) by Joyce P. Kaufman. |
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| Week | Weekly Detailed Course Contents | |
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| 1 | Theoretical | Introduction |
| 2 | Theoretical | Understanding American Foregin Policy |
| 3 | Theoretical | From Founding to Second World War |
| 4 | Theoretical | Cold War I |
| 5 | Theoretical | Cold War II |
| 6 | Theoretical | Cold War III |
| 7 | Theoretical | Post-Cold War |
| 8 | Intermediate Exam | Mid term Exam |
| 9 | Theoretical | Current Issues in American Foreign Policy I |
| 10 | Theoretical | Current Issues in American Foreign Policy II |
| 11 | Theoretical | The Future of American Foreign Policy |
| 12 | Theoretical | Presentations of Policy Briefs |
| 13 | Theoretical | Presentations of Poliy Briefs |
| 14 | Theoretical | Review of the Semester |
| 15 | Theoretical | Review of the Semester |
| 16 | Final Exam | Final Exam |

## Workload Calculation

| Activity | Quantity | Preparation | Duration | Total Workload |
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| Lecture - Theory | 14 | 2 | 3 | 70 |
| Individual Work | 7 | 2 | 2 | 28 |
| Midterm Examination | 1 | 10 | 1 | 11 |

| Final Examination | 1 | 15 | 1 | 16 |
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| | | | Total Workload (Hours) | 125 |
| | | | [Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = **ECTS** | 5 |
| *25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS* | | | | |

**Learning Outcomes**

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| 1 | will be able to discuss the historical evolution of American foreign policy. |
| 2 | will be able to identify the domestic and international sources of American foreign policy. |
| 3 | will be able to discuss the current issues in American foreign policy. |
| 4 | will be able to understand the American foregin policy tradition. |
| 5 | will be able to discuss the decision making in the American foreign policy. |

**Programme Outcomes** *(International Relations and Security Studies Master)*

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| 1 | Students discuss basic theories and approaches of international relations |
| 2 | Students discuss basic approaches and theories of security studies |
| 3 | Students gain the ability to think and question analytically |
| 4 | Students discuss war theories |
| 5 | Students discuss regional security issues |
| 6 | Students use scientific research methods |
| 7 | Students gain ability to discuss the current developments in security issues |
| 8 | Students explain the current issues in foreign policy by IR theories. |
| 9 | Students gain ability to access to the Phd programmes |
| 10 | Students discuss Turkey's Security issues |

**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 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 4 |
| P2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| P3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| P4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| P5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| P6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| P7 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 2 |
| P8 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 3 |
| P9 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| P10 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 |