



AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Course Title		International Security Studies							
Course Code		UGYL516		Couse Level		Second Cycle (Master's Degree)			
ECTS Credit	5	Workload	125 (Hours)	Theory	3	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course		International security's theoretical approaches, as well as international security's current issues and challenges will be analyzed using critical lenses.							
Course Content		The course will dwell upon first the conceptual and theoretical foundations so as to prepare the ground for the study and analysis of the principle issues and problems of international security. This would be followed by the review and analysis of current and future security issues, challenges and problems. The methodology would be lecturer's presentation and explanations intermingled with class participation and discussion. The students would be expected to read the reading assignments identified for each week before coming to class. They would be expected to participate in class discussions and respond to the questions relating to the reading material.							
Work Placement		N/A							
Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods				Explanation (Presentation), Discussion					
Name of Lecturer(s)		Prof. Bülent Sarper AĞIR							

Assessment Methods and Criteria

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

Recommended or Required Reading

1	Christopher S. Browning, International Security – A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2013;
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Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Theoretical	Introduction: Course objectives, content, methodology
2	Theoretical	Conceptual and Theoretical Foundations-I: understanding International Security, importance of paradigms, Realism
3	Theoretical	Conceptual and Theoretical Foundations-II: International Security as seen by Realism, Liberalism, Critical theories
4	Theoretical	Security regimes, international organizations, collective security, United Nations
5	Theoretical	Human security: natural resources, environment, economic security, migration
6	Theoretical	Changing Face of Conflict (1): civil/ethnic conflicts, "New War", failed states
7	Theoretical	Changing Face of Conflict (2): technological warfare, private militaries, arms trade
8	Intermediate Exam	Midterm exam
9	Theoretical	Military Security – I: European security before, during, after Cold War
10	Theoretical	Military Security –II: Asia-Pacific
11	Theoretical	Military Security –III: Weapons of Mass Destruction
12	Theoretical	Terrorism, wars of faith
13	Theoretical	Cyber security
14	Theoretical	Shape of future: new concerns, new risks, new conflicts Deadline for submittal of written assignments (homework)
15	Theoretical	Review of the Semester
16	Final Exam	Final Exam

Workload Calculation

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



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

Learning Outcomes

1	to describe the principal issues and problems of international security
2	to discuss those issues and challenges using critical lenses
3	to develop their own interpretations on those issues
4	to compare/contrast security perspectives and policies of leading international actors
5	to make projections on new security threats and risks likely to be encountered by the international community in coming years

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

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

