

# AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY COURSE INFORMATION FORM

| Course Title  | Balkans  |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |
|---|----------|--------------------|-------------|---|---------------------------------|---|------------|---|
| Course Code   | INR419   |                    | Couse Level |   | First Cycle (Bachelor's Degree) |   |            |   |
| ECTS Credit 7   | Workload | 176 <i>(Hours)</i> | Theory      | 3 | Practice                        | 0 | Laboratory | 0 |
| Objectives of the Course The aim of this course is to evaluate the politic, economic and sociologic developments in the Balkan region in a historical context.  |          |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |
| Course Content At this course firstly the students will be informed about the Balkan region geographically. Later, the settling down of the Balkanic groups to the region and their nation and state building processes will be touched down. |          |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |
| Work Placement N/A  |          |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |
| Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods Explanation (Presentation), Discussion, Case Study   |          |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |
| Name of Lecturer(s)   |          |                    |             |   |                                 |   |            |   |

## **Assessment Methods and Criteria**

| Method              | Quantity | Percentage (%) |  |  |
|---------------------|----------|----------------|--|--|
| Midterm Examination | 1        | 40             |  |  |
| Final Examination   | 1        | 70             |  |  |

## **Recommended or Required Reading**

- 1 Mark Mazower, The Balkans: A Short History, Modern Library Chronicles, 2008.
- 2 Murat Necip Arman and Nazif Mandacı, Çağdaş Balkan Siyaseti, Seçkin Yayınları, 2016.

| Week | Weekly Detailed Co | rse Contents   |  |  |  |  |
|------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1    | Theoretical        | Balkan geography   |  |  |  |  |
| 2    | Theoretical        | The othoctonic nations and migrations at the region                                    |  |  |  |  |
| 3    | Theoretical        | Balkans at Antiq era, Roman Empire, Ottoman and Habsburg Dynasties                     |  |  |  |  |
| 4    | Theoretical        | Treaty of Berlin, Balkan Wars, First World War: the nation building process at Balkans |  |  |  |  |
| 5    | Theoretical        | Balkans at the Cold War era  |  |  |  |  |
| 6    | Theoretical        | End of Cold War: War, disintegration and re-integration at Balkans                     |  |  |  |  |
| 7    | Theoretical        | Turkey-Balkan countries relations  |  |  |  |  |
| 8    | Theoretical        | Euro-Atlantic integration at Balkans   |  |  |  |  |
| 9    | Theoretical        | Russia Balkans relations   |  |  |  |  |
| 10   | Theoretical        | Country analysis: Greece - Bulgaria  |  |  |  |  |
| 11   | Theoretical        | Country analysis: Romain - Albania   |  |  |  |  |
| 12   | Theoretical        | Country analysis: Serbia - Kosovo - Montenegro   |  |  |  |  |
| 13   | Theoretical        | Country analysis: Bosnia and Herzegovina - Croatia - Macedonia                         |  |  |  |  |
| 14   | Theoretical        | Overview   |  |  |  |  |

### **Workload Calculation**

| Activity                                | Quantity | Preparation | Duration | Total Workload |  |
|---|----------|-------------|----------|----------------|--|
| Lecture - Theory                        | 14       | 4           | 3        | 98             |  |
| Assignment                              | 1        | 36          | 1        | 37             |  |
| Midterm Examination                     | 1        | 15          | 1        | 16             |  |
| Final Examination                       | 1        | 24          | 1        | 25             |  |
|   | 176      |             |          |                |  |
| [Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS 7 |          |             |          |                |  |

\*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS

#### Learning Outcomes

- 1 Students can compare and evaluate the different parts of Balkan region
- 2 Students can evaluate the Balkan politics within different international systems.



| 3 | Students can analyze the relations of Balkan countries with several international actors.  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 4 | To be able to comprehend the region's significance for European, Ottoman, and USSR's history.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | To be able to analyse the democratization and integration efforts of the new nation-states, which emerged in the region after the collapse of Yugoslavia, with the Western institutions. |  |  |  |  |  |

| Progr | amme Outcomes (International Relations (English))   |
|-------|---|
| 1     | Students understand, evaluate and implement the basic concept and theories of the discipline of International Relations.  |
| 2     | Students examine and follow up the political and social developments in the world. They understand and interpret current issues in the field of International Relations.  |
| 3     | Students evaluate and explain international relations from an historical and legal perspective.   |
| 4     | Students gain a general vision of international relations and political science. In that respect, they examine and analyze Turkey's place in world politics, its relationship with its neighbors and the world. |
| 5     | Students comprehend local, regional and national developments and establish links between them and global developments.   |
| 6     | Students comprehend development processes, structures and functions of international political institutions and international / intergovernmental / regional organizations.                                     |
| 7     | Students conduct research on academic and vocational subjects and interpret numerical and statistical data.   |
| 8     | Students use basic computer programs and information technologies.  |
| 9     | Students think analytical and critical and produce solutions within cases and problems.   |
| 10    | Students follow up scientific studies on International Relations, published in English and prepare and present articles, papers, theses and reports.  |
| 11    | Students are open-minded and respectful for others' thoughts and acts. They become socialized well in a social environment. They can express their opinions and thoughts easily.                                |
| 12    | Students take various tasks as team leader or as a member within the teamwork and are inclined to both teams work and individual work.  |
| 13    | Students gain professional knowledge and theoretical background, required by the public sector, the private sector, and the international organizations and think tanks.  |
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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  | 3  | 3  | 1  |
| P2  | 3  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 2  |
| P3  | 3  | 4  | 3  |    |    |
| P4  |    | 5  | 5  | 3  | 3  |
| P5  | 3  | 5  | 5  | 3  | 3  |
| P6  | 4  | 5  | 4  |    | 2  |
| P7  | 3  | 5  | 4  | 3  | 2  |
| P8  | 3  | 5  | 4  | 3  | 3  |
| P9  | 4  | 5  | 4  | 3  | 3  |
| P10 | 4  | 5  |    | 3  | 3  |
| P11 | 4  | 4  |    | 3  | 2  |
| P12 | 3  | 5  | 3  | 3  |    |
| P13 |    | 5  | 3  |    | 3  |

