



AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Course Title		Political Science							
Course Code		INR105		Course Level		First Cycle (Bachelor's Degree)			
ECTS Credit	4	Workload	97 (Hours)	Theory	3	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course		The course aims to introduce the students to the politics as a science. Thus, it is aimed to develop the ability of the students to analyze the basic concepts of political science, organization of politics, and the political theories and to create an awareness of political phenomena. By doing so, the students will use the basic concepts and theories of political science when they study the political events and facts.							
Course Content		The question of "what is politics?" will be tried to be examined in this course. In this context, the concepts as the state of politics, power, citizenship and political systems will be analyzed.							
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	70

Recommended or Required Reading

1	Andrew Heywood, Politics, Palgrave Foundations, 2007.
2	Ellen Grigsby, Analyzing Politics: An Introduction to Political Science, Wadsworth Publishing Company, 2008

Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Theoretical	The aim of the course and method, definition of political science, its meaning and qualities; its relation with similar concepts such as political philosophy and political science
	Preparation Work	Course Material
2	Theoretical	Factors Influencing Political Life
	Preparation Work	Course Material
3	Theoretical	State in terms of Political Science
	Preparation Work	Course Material
4	Theoretical	Power and Political Power in Political Science
	Preparation Work	Course Material
5	Theoretical	Basis of Legitimacy of Political Authority, Sovereignty, Authority
	Preparation Work	Course Material
6	Theoretical	Rulers and the ruled-Rural Preservation Policy: Elites (elite and the masses)
	Preparation Work	Course Material
7	Theoretical	Revision for Midterm
	Preparation Work	Course Material
8	Preparation Work	Course Material
	Intermediate Exam	Midterm Exams
9	Theoretical	Ideologies, Propaganda
	Preparation Work	Course Material
10	Theoretical	Democracy, the different theories of democracy, democracy, New Challenges
	Preparation Work	Course Material
11	Theoretical	Political Participation and Political Culture
	Preparation Work	Course Material
12	Theoretical	Political Parties
	Preparation Work	Course Material
13	Theoretical	Civil society
	Preparation Work	Course Material
14	Theoretical	Pressure Groups



14	Preparation Work	Course Material
15	Theoretical	public opinion
	Preparation Work	Course Material
16	Preparation Work	Course Material
	Final Exam	Final Exams

Workload Calculation

Activity	Quantity	Preparation	Duration	Total Workload
Lecture - Theory	14	2	3	70
Midterm Examination	1	10	1	11
Final Examination	1	15	1	16
Total Workload (Hours)				97
[Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS				4

*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS

Learning Outcomes

1	To be able to comprehend the basic principles of political science and to be able to differ the similar points of different explanations of political science
2	To be able to express the traditional topics which the political science deals with.
3	To be able to examine the contemporary issues which are in the scope of political science
4	To be able to evaluate the factors which have impacts on political life
5	To be able to conceive the recent political transformations in the framework of basic political science concepts.

Programme 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.

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	4		
P2	5		4	3	
P3		5			2
P4	1		3	4	
P5		4			1
P6	2		4	4	
P7		5		1	
P8			4		4
P9				5	
P10			5		



P11	4			4	
P12		2			5
P13	1				

