Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

Course Profile

Course Number : **HSS 140**	Course Title : **Introduction to Sociology**
Required / Elective: Elective	Pre / Co-requisites : -
Catalog Description:This course aims to familiarize the students with basic concepts, theoretical perspectives and discussions in sociology. It focuses on various social, cultural and political structures such as economy, politics and culture and the interaction between them.	Textbook / Required Material : Schaefer, R. T. (2010) *Sociology*. McGraw Hill, 12th edition.

Course Structure / Schedule : **(3+0+0) 3 / 6 ECTS**

Extended Description : Students will make presentations and create popular discussion topics each week according to the topic of the week and current events in Turkey. Keywords should be clearly explained in these presentations. The use of videos and creative audio-visual material use is highly encouraged in presentations. There will be no assignments. Exams will be in test format. The students are expected to acquire a sociological perspective about the political, economic and social developments both in Turkey and in the world.

Course Outline:

Week	Topics
1	Introduction to Sociology
2	Understanding Sociology
3	Social Interaction and Social Structure
4	The Economy and Work
5	Government and Politics
6	Midterm
7	Culture
8	Collective Behaviour and Social Movements
9	Population, Communities and Urbanization
10	Mass Media
11	Racial and Ethnic Inequality
12	Stratification by Gender
13	The Family and Intimate Relationships

Design content : none	Computer usage: No particular computer usage required

Course Outcomes:

	Program Outcomes	*Level of Contribution				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	Apply analytical and critical thinking skills to contemporary global issues.					*
2	Describe the interrelationships between science, technology, and society.		*			
3	Describe the interrelationships between art, culture, and society.		*			
4	Explain the historical, political and economic conditions in which science and technology emerge.		*			
5	Explain the historical, political and material conditions in which art and cultural expression emerge.			*		
6	Analyze how modes of thought are shaped by socio-cultural, historical, political and economic variables.					*
7	Apply discipline-relevant methods to HSS research assignments.			*		
8	Summarize and assess current developments in their subject area.			*		
9	Recognize ethical issues and social responsibilities in the contemporary world.				*	
10	Synthesize complex ideas in clear and concise ways.					*
11	Generate creative solutions to local and/or global problems.					*
12	Recognize relevance of coursework to personal experiences, lifelong learning, and job security.					*
13	Demonstrate an ability to function on teams.					*
14	Demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively with written, oral and visual means.					*

Recommended reading : -

Teaching methods : Lecture, Class Discussion, Participation

Assessment methods : Attendance and Class Participation (%25)

Midterm (%35)

Final Examination (%40)

Student workload:

   Pre-class reading .... 30 hrs

Lectures …………………………………45   hrs

Reading .... 40 hrs

Presentation/Discussion ....30 hrs

Examinations ……………….......................... 5 hrs

TOTAL …………………………… . . . 150 hrs . . . to match 25 X 6 ECTS

Course Category:

ISCED General Area Codes	General Ares	ISCED Basic Area Codes	Basic Educational Areas	Percentage
1	Education	14	Teacher Training and Educational Sciences	
2	Humanities and Art	21	Art	
2	Humanities and Art	22	Humanities	20
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	31	Social and Behavioral Sciences	80
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	32	Journalism and Informatics	
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	38	Law	
4	Science	42	Life Sciences	
4	Science	44	Natural Sciences	
4	Science	46	Mathematics and Statistics	
4	Science	48	Computer	
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Civil	52	Engineering	
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Civil	54	Manufacturing and Processing	
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Civil	58	Architecture and Structure	
6	Agriculture	62	Agriculture, Forestry,	

				Livestock, Fishery	
6	Agriculture	64	Veterinary		
7	Medicine and Welfare	72	Medical		
7	Medicine and Welfare	76	Social Services		
8	Service	81	Personal Services		
8	Service	84	Transport Services		
8	Service	85	Environment Protection		
8	Service	86	Security Services		
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