

COURSE PROFILE

Course Name	Code	Semester	Term	Theory+PS+Lab (hour/week)	Local Credits	ECTS
International Political Economy	POLS 238	Spring	4	3+0+0	3	6

Prerequisites	None
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Course Language	English
Course Type	Elective
Course Lecturer	Asst. Prof. Mehmet Sinan Birdal
Course Assistant	Hakan Mehmetcik
Course Objectives	The purpose of this class is to situate contemporary world politics in its economic context. The major focus of the class will be on understanding the processes and political impacts of the rise of neo-liberalism in the world, global capitalist markets, and international economic alliances such as EU, NAFTA, or ASEAN. The class will survey the recent political-economic history of the world, including the failure of ISI economies, oil crises, transition to export-oriented economies, development and democratization in the world. Particular emphasis will be given on the changing role of the state in the developing world, state-business relations and the prospects of democratization in the context of global economy.
Course Learning Outcomes	By the end of this course, students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the economic context of contemporary political systems in the world • Understand the role of global capitalist markets in the transformation of the state –society relations • Analyze the relationship between economic development and democratization • Evaluate the necessity and political impacts of different economic policies • Use course content to analyze the political-economy of selected countries in the world and deliver class presentations
Course Content	Historical perspective of the evolution of the international political economy since the 19th century; the end of the bipolar system and the impacts of globalization. New regional economic alliances such as NAFTA, ASEAN, EU and the way in which the international economy started to dominate the current world politics.

COURSE CONTENT

Week	Subjects	Related
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Course Textbook	reader provided by the instructor
Recommended References	

Semester Requirements	Number	Percentage of Grade
Attendance/Participation		10
Laboratory		
Application		
Special Course Internship (Work Placement)		
Quizzes/Studio Critics	2	20
Homework Assignments		
Presentation		
Project		
Seminar/Workshop		
Midterms/Oral Exams	2	30
Final/Resit Exam	1	40
Total	5	100

Percentage of Semester Work	4	60
Percentage of Final Work	1	40
Total	5	100

COURSE'S CONTRIBUTION TO PROGRAM

#	Program Qualifications / Outcomes	Level of Contribution *				
		1	2	3	4	5
IR1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of International Relations and be able to apply them to historical and current events					
IR2	Understand the historical processes of political structures and institutions					
IR3	Be able to follow the world political conjuncture					x
IR4	Grasp the structures and functions of international/regional/intergovernmental organizations					x
IR5	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects					
IR6	Understand the international legal framework				x	
IR7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on international relations					x
PS1	Understand the fundamental concepts and theories of the field of Political Science and be able to apply them to historical and current events					
PS2	Understand the historical processes, structures, and functions of political institutions					
PS3	Be able to analyze the dynamics that form the political substructure of various events and phenomena, as well as their effects					
PS4	Understand the mechanisms of political change (such as voting, lobbying, political movements, legal reforms, revolution, etc.)					

PS5	Possess knowledge about those fundamental issues that shape political and societal life (such as race, gender, class, environment, security, religion, identity, etc.)				x	
PS6	Acknowledge that political phenomena can be explained differently by different schools of thought					
PS7	Grasp and question the causes and consequences of economic developments and their impact on politics					
8	Think independently, creatively, and critically			x		
9	Be an entrepreneur and take initiative					
10	Have self-confidence					
11	Have the ability to carry out systematic comparisons and rightly differentiate similarities and differences					x
12	Be open-minded and prepared to work together with people from different cultures and groups					
13	Be aware and a follower of social responsibilities as well as political rights and freedoms					
14	Internalize work ethics and behave accordingly					
15	Be able to speak and deliver presentations in front of public		x			
16	Understand, read, and write in English					
17	Have the ability to observe, analyze, and report			x		
18	Be able to implement the principles and methods of scientific research					
19	Understand and interpret statistical data					
20	Be prone to team work					
21	Possess computer and technological literacy					

*1 Lowest, 2 Low, 3 Average, 4 High, 5 Highest

**ECTS ALLOCATED BASED ON STUDENT WORKLOAD BY THE COURSE
DESCRIPTION**

Activities	Number	Duration (Hours)	Total Workload
Course Hours (Including Exams)	11	3	33
Tutorials			
Laboratory			
Application			
Special Course Internship (Work Placement)			
Field Work			
Study Hours Out of Class	7	1	7
Presentations / Seminar	7	5	35
Project			
Preparatory reading	10	7	70
Homework Assignments			
Quizzes	2	0.5	1
Midterm Exams	2	1	2
Final / Resit Exam	1	2	2
Total Workload			150

COURSE CATEGORY

ISCED GENERAL AREA CODES	GENERAL AREAS	ISCED BASIC AREA CODES	BASIC EDUCATIONAL AREAS	
1	Education	14	Teacher training and education science	0
2	Humanities and Arts	21	Arts	0
		22	Humanities	0
3	Social sciences, Business and Law	31	Social and behavioural science	100
		32	Journalism and information	0
		34	Business and administration	0
		38	Law	0
4	Science, Mathematics and Computing	42	Life science	0
		44	Physical science	0
		46	Mathematics and statistics	0
		48	Computing	0
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	52	Engineering and Engineering Trades	0
		54	Manufacturing and processing	0
		58	Architecture and building	0
6	Agriculture and Veterinary	62	Agriculture, forestry and fishery	0
		64	Veterinary	0
7	Health and Welfare	72	Health	0
		76	Social services	0
8	Services	81	Personal services	0
		84	Transport services	0
		85	Environmental protection	0
		86	Security services	0