



POLITICAL SCIENCE and PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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- The Department of Political Science and Public Administration at Altinbas University combines the theoretical knowledge of political science -one of the fundamental disciplines of social sciences with the applications in the field of public administration.

Aim

- **Vision Statement**

To educate future leaders who will steer the advance of peace and democracy at local, national and global levels.

- **Mission Statement**

To educate executives who can envisage an ideal of politics in all domains, think critically, lead effectively, and participate actively in the public realm; to facilitate the academic and professional development of its academic staff and the academics of the future; and to contribute to the services that the social partners and the society at large will benefit.

Vission and Mission Statements



CURRICULUM

Our curriculum draws from a variety of disciplines, including politics, economics, law, administration and international relations

Compulsory Courses

1st Semester

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 101	Introduction to Political Science	3	0	5
ECON 101	Principles of Microeconomics	3	0	6
MATH 101	Mathematics for Social Sciences I	2	2	5
LAW 195	Basic Principles of Law	3	0	5
ENG 101	Communication Skills and Academic Report Writing I	4	0	4
HIST 101	History of Turkish Republic I	2	0	2
HIST 110	History of Civilization	3	0	4

2nd Semester

		T	P	ECTS
IR 102	Introduction to International Relations	3	0	5
ECON 102	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	0	6
MATH 102	Mathematics for Social Sciences II	2	2	5
ENG 102	Communication Skills and Academic Report Writing II	4	0	4
HIST 102	History of Turkish Republic II	2	0	2
CE 100	Computing Skills	1	2	3
	Free Elective Course			4

Compulsory Courses

3rd Semester

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 201	Classical Political Theory	3	0	5
POLS 203	Public Administration	3	0	5
IR 201	Political History I (1789-1914)	3	0	5
MAN 211	Statistics for Social Sciences I	3	1	6
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology I	3	0	5
ENG 201	Communication Skills and Academic Report Writing III	3	0	4

4th Semester

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 202	Contemporary Political Theory	3	0	6
POLS 204	Public Finance	3	0	5
POLS 206	Comparative Politics	3	0	5
IR 202	Political History II (1914-Today)	3	0	5
LAW 214	Basic Principles of Constitutional Law	3	0	5
ENG 202	Communication Skills and Academic Report Writing IV	3	0	4

Compulsory Courses

5th Semester		T	P	ECTS
POLS 301	Politics in Turkey	3	0	5
IR 303	Research Methods for Social Sciences	3	0	6
LAW 339	Basic Principles of Administrative Law	3	0	5
ENG 301	Written Communication	3	0	4
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Free Elective Course			4
6th Semester		T	P	ECTS
POLS 302	Political Parties and Electoral Systems	3	0	7
POLS 304	Contemporary Political Issues in Turkey	3	0	6
ENG 302	Oral Communication	3	0	4
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Free Elective Course			4

Compulsory Courses

7th Semester

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 401	Local Governments	3	0	6
POLS 403	State and Bureaucracy in Turkey	3	0	7
TURK 401	Turkish Language and Turkish Communication I	2	0	2
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Complementary Elective Course ^(b)			5
	Free Elective Course			4

8th Semester

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 402	Urban Politics	3	0	5
POLS 404	State and Economy in Turkey	3	0	5
TURK 402	Turkish Language and Turkish Communication II	2	0	2
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Area Elective Course ^(a)			5
	Complementary Elective Course ^(b)			5
	Free Elective Course			4

Democratization and Citizenship

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 321	Democratic Theory	3	0	5
POLS 322	Citizenship	3	0	5
POLS 323	Theories of Justice	3	0	5
POLS 324	Public Opinion and Media	3	0	5
POLS 421	Gender and Politics	3	0	5
POLS 422	LGBT Studies	3	0	5
POLS 423	Social Movements	3	0	5
POLS 424	Disability Studies	3	0	5
POLS 426	Theories and Practice of Nationalism	3	0	5
SOC 345	Everyday Racism	3	0	5
SOC 372	Migration Studies	3	0	5

Public Policy		T	P	ECTS
POLS 341	Labor Market Policies	3	0	5
POLS 342	Education Policies	3	0	5
POLS 343	Multidimensional Poverty	3	0	5
POLS 344	Globalization and Public Administration	3	0	5
POLS 441	Housing Policies	3	0	5
POLS 442	Health Policies	3	0	5
POLS 443	Environmental Politics	3	0	5
POLS 444	Social Work and Humanitarian Relief	3	0	5
ECON 306	World Economy	3	0	5
IAED 455	Space, Culture and Identity	3	0	5
IAED 460	Environmental Management	3	0	5
SOC 221	Social Change and Development	3	0	5
SOC 341	Social Stratification and Inequality	3	0	5

Comparative Politics

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 361	Comparative Politics of Post-Industrial Countries	3	0	5
POLS 362	Comparative Politics of Industrializing Countries	3	0	5
POLS 363	Political Violence and Civil Wars	3	0	5
POLS 364	Comparative Welfare Systems	3	0	5
POLS 461	Advanced Topics in Turkish Politics and Society	3	0	5
POLS 462	Religion and Politics	3	0	5
POLS 463	Politics of Development Aid	3	0	5
POLS 464	Advanced Topics in Comparative Politics	3	0	5
POLS 465	Civil Society and Interest Groups	3	0	5
ECON 306	World Economy	3	0	5
IR 378	Politics and Society in Russia	3	0	5
IR 379	Politics and Society in Latin America	3	0	5
IR 472	Politics and Society in China	3	0	5
IR 473	Politics and Society in the Middle East	3	0	5

Elective Courses

Other Area Elective Courses

		T	P	ECTS
POLS 312	Literature and Politics	3	0	5
POLS 411	Politics and Economy in the Late Ottoman Period	3	0	5
POLS 412	Turkish Political Thought	3	0	5

Incoming students may also register to the courses of other disciplines

SCHOOLS
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY
SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS AND DESIGN
SCHOOL OF LAW
SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, ADMINISTRATIVE AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND NATURAL SCIENCES
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



Bachelor of Arts In Economics
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
Bachelor Of Arts In Political Science and Public Administration
Department Of Social Sciences
Bachelor of Arts In Social Work
Bachelor of Arts In Sociology
Bachelor of Arts in International Relations

Course descriptions
are available on the
website

Course Descriptions

POLS 101 Introduction to Political Science

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Definitions of politics, political ideologies, theories of state, direct and representative democracy, electoral systems, voting behavior, political parties and party systems, political regimes, branches of the government, parliamentary and presidential systems, federal and unitary systems, political identity, nationalism, globalization.

POLS 102 Public Administration

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Course content is as follows:

- a) the fundamental concepts (bureaucracy, government, administration, management, etc.) and definition of public administration
- b) main debates of public administration discipline (politics-administration dichotomy, public administration as an art or science, administration vs management, etc.)
- c) main approaches (Weberian, Marxian, etc.) to bureaucracy

paradigmatic changes in organizational theory (classical, neo-classical, modern, neo-modern and post-modern public administration, etc.)

POLS 200 Ethics in Social Sciences

(2-0)2

Course Descriptions



ACADEMIC STAFF

Academic staff with international relations, politics,
public administration disciplinary backgrounds



Prof. Dr. Çağrı ERHAN



Asst. Prof. Dr. Tolga DEMIRYOL



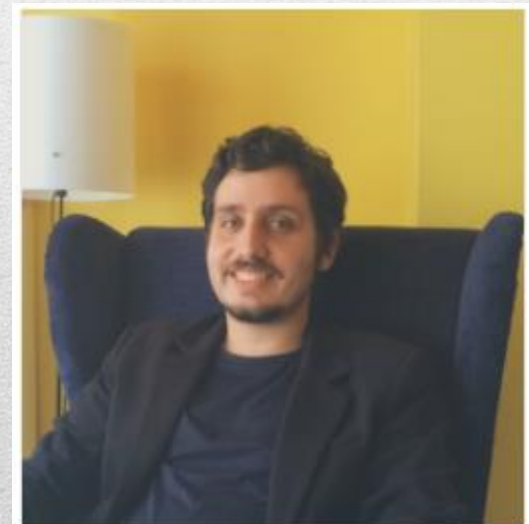
Asst. Prof. Dr. Diğdem SOYALTIN



Asst. Prof. Dr. Eylem Akdeniz GÖKER



Assoc. Prof. Aslı YILMAZ UÇAR



Instructor Adil USTURALI

Academic Staff



Prof. Dr. Çağrı Erhan: Political history, European Union, Turkish foreign policy
PhD, Ankara University



Assist. Prof. Dr. Eylem Akdeniz Göker: Turkish politics, diaspora studies, ethnicity and migration studies, and sociology of opinion producers
PhD, Bilkent University



Assist. Prof. Dr. Diğdem Soyaltın: Europeanisation and domestic change, public policy, policy transfer, and good governance, Turkish politics, EU-Turkey relations, policies of fight against corruption, international and national anti-corruption regimes

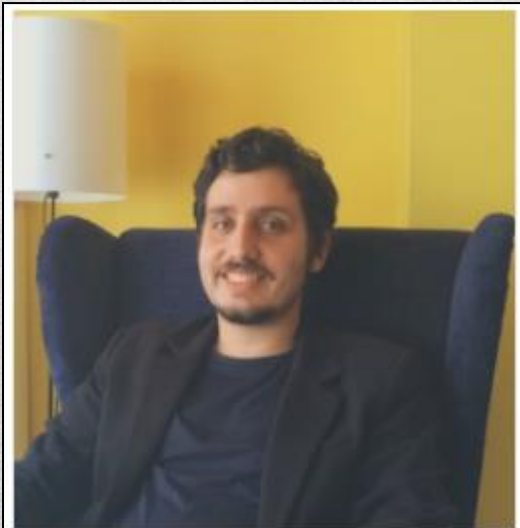
PhD, Freie Universität Berlin



Assoc. Prof. Tolga Demiryol: International security and energy politics, regional cooperation, political development
PhD, University of Virginia



Assoc. Prof. Ashı Yılmaz Uçar: public administration, history of local governments, 1920s in Turkey, administrative structure in Turkey, public policy analysis, central planning
PhD, Ankara University



Instructor Adil Usturalı: Political theory, secularism, Turkish politics, contemporary democratic theory
PhD, Boğaziçi University



RESEARCH

Researcher	Topic
Eylem Akdeniz Göker	Citizenship Practice of Circassians
Aslı Yılmaz Uçar	Role of Local Governments in Migration Policy
Diğdem Soyaltın	Comparative Analysis of the Perception and Practice of the Institution of Ombudsman
Tolga Demiryol	A Comparative Study of the Role of Energy in Turkish Foreign Policy

Ongoing research

Erasmus Agreements

Institution	Country
RWTH Aachen	Germany
Hochschule für Wirtschaft und Recht Berlin (Berlin School of Economics and Law)	Germany
University of Erfurt	Germany
Goethe University of Frankfurt	Germany
Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg	Germany
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Autonomous University of Barcelona)	Spain
University Of Salamanca	Spain
Universita' Degli Studi di Milano	Italy
University of Pavia	Italy
University American College Skopje	Macedonia



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