

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (ENGLISH)

Language of Education: English
English preparatory: Compulsory Point Type: EW



What is Political Science and International Relations?

Political Science and International Relations is a field of science studying on the fundamental dynamics of global politics, ranging from psychology to history, from sociology to economy, and focusing on the analysis of political, economic and socio-cultural relations between states and other global actors.

In the Department of Political Science and International Relations; it is aimed to have students who can analyze global politics by providing theoretical knowledge on political psychology, power and legitimacy, ideologies, political systems, democracy, human rights, politics and society, political economy, civil society, public and pressure groups, political parties, electoral systems, nation-state and non-state actors, security, geopolitics, foreign policy analysis, diplomacy, identity, cooperation, international system, international law, international organizations, globalization, disarmament, environmental problems, ethnic conflicts, energy and migration.

Our Purpose

The Department of Political Science and International Relations aims to train specialists who can interpret the present global relations network that is concentrated from a conceptual framework and follow current developments. In this context, we need prepare individuals who have a command of world and Turkish issues, have foreign language skills, adopt analytical thinking, criticize, and analyze, constantly renew themselves, who are entrepreneurial, critical, adopt ethical values, and are prone to collaborative work and democratic participation.

Topics of Interest

Psychological, historical, economic and sociological origins and reflections of political, economic and socio-cultural developments in the global and national context;
Addressing new areas of interest such as political psychology, neuropolitics and biopolitics;

The functioning and role of international system, international law and international organizations;
Examination of national and international security issues, such as terrorism, war and peace, conflict resolution and mediation;
Analysis of issues such as political systems, political ideologies, democracy, electoral strategies and voter behaviours;
Analyzing the impact of international political economy on global and national politics;
Global actors diversified with the globalization process and transforming diplomacy;
Analyzing political, economic and socio-cultural structure of various regions, especially Middle East, Europe, the United States, China and Russia; their effects on world politics;
Addressing the immigration issue, which has become an important issue in world politics;
Analyze the impact of digitalization on global politics and security.

Work and Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Department of Political Science and International Relations, as they are very competent on political, economic, psychological, historical and sociological issues at the global and national level are preferred in specialist and executive positions such as:
Career and Consular Officer in Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Administrative law judge,
In various public institutions and organizations especially TİKA, YTB, Yunus Emre Institute,
In private companies,
In international organizations,
In civil society organizations,
In think-tanks,
In media organizations,
In research companies.

CURRICULUM

FIRST YEAR												
FALL SEMESTER (1st TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (2nd TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR107	Political Science I	3	0	3	5	PSIR108	Political Science II	3	0	3	5	
PSIR127	International Relations I	3	0	3	5	PSIR128	International Relations II	3	0	3	5	
PSIR129	History of Civilizations	3	0	3	5	PSIR130	Fundamental Concepts of Law	3	0	3	5	
RPSC109	Positive Psychology and Communication Skills	3	0	3	5	PHIL122	Critical Thinking	3	0	3	5	
ATA101	Principles of Atatürk and History of Turkish Revolution I	2	0	2	3	ATA102	Principles of Atatürk and History of Turkish Revolution II	2	0	2	3	
ENG101	English I	3	0	3	3	ENG102	English II	3	0	3	3	
TURK101	Turkish Language I	2	0	2	3	TURK102	Turkish Language II	2	0	2	3	
RCUL101	University Culture I*	0	2	1	1	RCUL102	University Culture II*	0	2	1	1	
Total Credit		19	2	20	30	Total Credit		19	2	20	30	

SECOND YEAR												
FALL SEMESTER (3rd TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (4th TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR227	Classical Political Thought	3	0	3	5	PSIR226	Modern Political Thought	3	0	3	6	
PSIR229	Political History I	3	0	3	5	PSIR228	Political History II	3	0	3	5	
PSIR231	Constitutional Law	3	0	3	5	PSIR230	International Law	3	0	3	6	
PSIR233	Research Methods in Political Science	2	2	3	5	PSIR232	Fundamental Skills of Academic Writing	2	2	3	5	
PSIR235	Political Theory	3	0	3	5	RPRE104	Entrepreneurship and Project Culture*	2	0	2	3	
PSY223	Concepts and Approaches in Psychology	4	0	4	5	SOC244	General Sociology	3	0	3	5	
Total Credit		18	2	19	30	Total Credit		16	2	17	30	

THIRD YEAR												
FALL SEMESTER (5th TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (6th TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR327	Turkish Politics I	3	0	3	5	PSIR326	Turkish Politics II	3	0	3	5	
PSIR301	International Organizations	3	0	3	5	PSIR328	Comparative Political Systems	3	0	3	5	
PSIR331	International Relations Theories	3	0	3	5	PSIR332	Political Psychology	3	0	3	5	
XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	
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XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	
Total Credit		18	0	18	30	Total Credit		18	0	18	30	

FOURTH YEAR												
FALL SEMESTER (7th TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (8th TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR425	Graduation Project I	0	6	3	9	PSIR426	Graduation Project II	0	6	3	9	
PSIR401	Turkish Foreign Policy I	3	0	3	6	PSIR402	Turkish Foreign Policy II	3	0	3	6	
XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	
XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	
XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	XXX	Departmental / Non-Departmental Elective	3	0	3	5	
Total Credit		12	6	15	30	Total Credit		12	6	15	30	

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Total Course Credit	142	20	146	240
Total Elective Course Credit	36	0	33	60
Elective/Total Credit	25%	0%	23%	25%

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FALL SEMESTER (5th TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (6th TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR351	Theories of Democracy	3	0	3	5	PSIR330	International Political Economy	3	0	3	5	
PSIR353	Theories of Imperialism	3	0	3	5	PSIR350	Political Modernity	3	0	3	5	
PSIR355	Politics of Authoritarianism	3	0	3	5	PSIR352	Evolution of Turkish Political Thought	3	0	3	5	
PSIR357	Politics and Society in Southeast Europe	3	0	3	5	PSIR354	Gender and Politics	3	0	3	5	
PSIR367	Politics and Society in Central Asia and Transcaucasia	3	0	3	5	PSIR366	Public and Cultural Diplomacy*	3	0	3	5	
PSIR369	Nationalism and Globalisation	3	0	3	5	PSIR382	Neuropolitics and Biopolitics	3	0	3	5	
PSIR375	Political Psychology of Violence	3	0	3	5	PSIR384	International Development	3	0	3	5	
PSIR377	Basic Economics	3	0	3	5	PSIR386	European Integration Process	3	0	3	5	
PSIR379	Global Politics	3	0	3	5	PSIR388	Global South	3	0	3	5	
PSIR381	Politics and Societies in the Middle East	3	0	3	5	PSIR390	Political Anthropology	3	0	3	5	
PSIR387	Current Issues in World Politics	3	0	3	5	PSIR392	Theories of Secularization	3	0	3	5	
PSIR389	Comparative Cultural Studies	3	0	3	5	PSIR312	Russian Foreign Policy	3	0	3	5	
PSIR391	International Migration Problems*	3	0	3	5	PSIR338	Digital Humanities	3	0	3	5	
PSIR393	Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies	3	0	3	5	PSIR398	Turkish Politics for International Students	3	0	3	5	

FALL SEMESTER (7th TERM)					SPRING SEMESTER (8th TERM)							
Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	Code	Course Name	T	P	C	ECTS	
PSIR451	US Politics and Society	3	0	3	5	PSIR450	Transboundary Water Problems	3	0	3	5	
PSIR453	Politics and Society in Latin America	3	0	3	5	PSIR454	Politics and Society in Africa	3	0	3	5	
PSIR455	International Ethics	3	0	3	5	PSIR456	Politics and Society in Russia	3	0	3	5	
PSIR459	International War and Peace	3	0	3	5	PSIR476	The European Union and Turkey	3	0	3	5	
PSIR461	Cinema and Political Psychology	3	0	3	5	PSIR478	US Foreign Policy	3	0	3	5	
PSIR463	Foreign Relations of the European Union	3	0	3	5	PSIR480	Administrative Law	3	0	3	5	
PSIR483	Cold War	3	0	3	5	PSIR484	Populism	3	0	3	5	
PSIR485	Politics and Society of China	3	0	3	5	PSIR486	Dynamics of Political Changes	3	0	3	5	
PSIR487	Social Change and Politics from Ottoman to	3	0	3	5	PSIR488	Comparative Grand Strategy in the Digital Age	3	0	3	5	
PSIR489	Protection of Human Rights at International Level	3	0	3	5							

ELECTIVE LANGUAGE COURSES												
ARA123	Arabic I	3	0	3	5	ARA124	Arabic II	3	0	3	5	
CIN123	Chinese I	3	0	3	5	CIN124	Chinese II	3	0	3	5	
RUS123	Russian I	3	0	3	5	RUS124	Russian II	3	0	3	5	
ISP123	Spanish I	3	0	3	5	ISP124	Spanish II	3	0	3	5	

*These courses are designated as Project Courses.

