**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAİRS**

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| **Course Details** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Code** | | | | | | **Academic Year** | | | | | **Semester** | |
| INT 113 | | | | | |  | | | | | **Fall Semester / Spring Semester** | |
| **Title** | | | | | | **T** | **A** | | **L** | | **ECTS** | |
| **Introduction to Comparative Political Science** | | | | | | 2 | 0 | | 0 | | 6 | |
| **Language** | English | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Level** | **Undergraduate** |  | | **Graduate** | X | | | **Postgraduate** | | | |  |
| **Department / Program** | Master Program of Political Science and International Affairs | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Forms of Teaching and**  **Learning** | Face to face | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Course Type** | **Compulsory** | |  | | **Elective** | | | | | **x** | | |
| **Objectives** | The aim of this course is to provide students with the basic conceptual and theoretical knowledge for the comparative analysis of political systems, institutions, processes and actors. It is aimed to provide students with the ability to evaluate different political regimes, systems of government and political cultures from a comparative perspective. Thus, students will be equipped to analyze the similarities and differences between political structures in an analytical framework. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Content** | This course involves analyzing different political systems, regime types, models of government and political institutions from a comparative perspective. It covers the comparative study of political culture, political parties, electoral systems, legislative-executive relations and public policies. The course also covers the main theoretical approaches and methodological debates in the field of comparative politics. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Prerequisites** |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Coordinator** | Asst. Prof. Dr. Philipp Decker (Substitute) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Lecturer(s)** | Asst. Prof. Dr. Philipp Decker (Substitute) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Assistant(s)** |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Work Placement** |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Recommended or Required Reading** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Books / Lecture Notes** | A list of required readings will be made accessible at the beginning of the term | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Other Sources** |  | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| **Additional Course Material** | | | |
| **Documents** |  | | |
| **Assignments** |  | | |
| **Exams** |  | | |
| **Course Composition** | | | |
| **Mathematics und Basic**  **Sciences** |  | | % |
| **Engineering** |  | | % |
| **Engineering Design** |  | | % |
| **Social Sciences** |  | | 100% |
| **Educational Sciences** |  | | % |
| **Natural Sciences** |  | | % |
| **Health Sciences** |  | | % |
| **Expert Knowledge** |  | | % |
| **Assessment** | | | |
| **Activity** | **Count** | | **Percentage (%)** |
| **Midterm Exam** | 1 | | 20 |
| **Quiz** |  | |  |
| **Assignments** | 2 | | 20 |
| **Attendance** | Required | |  |
| **Recitations** |  | |  |
| **Projects** |  | |  |
| **Final Exam** | 1 | | 60 |
| **Total** | | | **100** |
| **ECTS Points and Work Load** | | | |
| **Activity** | **Count** | **Duration** | **Work Load (Hours)** |
| **Lectures** | 14 | 2 | 28 |
| **Self-Study** | 14 | 7 | 98 |
| **Assignments** | 2 | 10 | 20 |
| **Presentation / Seminar**  **Preparation** | 2 | 7 | 14 |
| **Midterm Exam** | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| **Recitations** |  |  |  |
| **Laboratory** |  |  |  |
| **Projects** |  |  |  |
| **Final Exam** | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| **Total Work Load** | | | **168** |

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| **ECTS Points** (Total Work Load /28 Hour) | | **6** |
| **Learning Outcomes** | | |
| **1** | Students will be able to analyze different political systems, regime types and political institutions through comparative method. | |
| **2** | Students will be able to define the basic concepts and theoretical approaches in the field of comparative politics and apply them to concrete examples. | |
| **3** | Students will be able to make comparative evaluations on the functioning of political actors, institutions and processes in various political systems. | |
| **Weekly Content** | | |
| **1** | Introduction to Comparative Political Science: Definitions and Methods | |
| **2** | Historical Development and Approaches of Comparative Politics | |
| **3** | State, Sovereignty and Political Regimes | |
| **4** | Democracy and Authoritarianism: Basic Comparisons | |
| **5** | Political Regime Types: Parliamentary, Presidential and Semi-Presidential Systems | |
| **6** | Electoral Systems and Voter Behavior | |
| **7** | Political Parties and Party Systems | |
| **8** | Midterm Week | |
| **9** | Comparative Analysis of Legislative, Executive and Judicial Bodies | |
| **10** | Political Culture and Participation | |
| **11** | Civil Society, Media and Political Representation | |
| **12** | Political Ideologies and Comparative Applications | |
| **13** | Economic Development and Political Regime Relationship | |
| **14** | Comparative Public Policies | |
| **15** | Comparative Analyses on Current Debates and Regional Examples | |
| **16** | Final Exam | |
| **Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Program Objectives (1-5)** | | |

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|  | **P1** | | **P2** | **P3** | **P4** | **P5** | **P6** | **P7** |
| **1** | 5 | | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| **2** | 4 | | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| **3** | 5 | | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| **Contribution Level** | | 1: Low 2: Low-intermediate 3: Intermediate 4: High 5: Very High | | | | | | |
| **https://obs.tau.edu.tr/oibs/bologna/progLearnOutcomes.aspx?lang=en&curSunit=200** | | | | | | | | |
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