

Yalova University
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
Department of International Relations
Bachelor's Programme

Course Catalogue
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I. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 111				
Course Name	Introduction to Economics I				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The goal of this course is to provide students with the basic understanding of economic reasoning; basic concepts and processes in microeconomics. The students learn the behavior of individual households, firms and industries and how these entities interact. The course covers topics on basic principles of economics, how markets work, markets and welfare, the economics of the public sector, firm behavior and organization of the industry, the factors market and consumer choice.</p>					
Course Code	IBF 103				
Course Name	Philosophy of Science				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course provides a basic introduction to the main philosophical questions concerning scientific knowledge and methodology. During this course, the students explore what science is, what it does, and how it works, in addition the features of scientific methodology and scientific explanation which distinguish science from pseudo-science; how theoretical considerations and experiments interact to shape the scientific picture of the world; how scientific theories evolve and how theories from different scientific disciplines are related. By the end of this course, the students will have a basic understanding of what science is, how it can be distinguished from other ways of knowledge, and how scientific explanation works.</p>					
Course Code	IBF 105				
Course Name	Introduction to Political Science				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The first aim of this course is to introduce students to some of the key concepts in the discipline of Political Science: power, influence, authority, legitimacy, coercion, conflict, and democracy. The second aim is to introduce the concepts and institutions of the political process. Upon successful completion of this course, students will have the knowledge and skills to: 1) Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the nature and significance of politics and governance 2) Critically analyze some of the key concepts in political science 3) Apply concepts and theories used in the study of political science to the analysis of interests, institutions and behaviour 4) Demonstrate the capacity to use different research methods used to investigate political phenomena 5) Have developed their research, writing, and verbal presentation skills.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 101				
Course Name	History of Civilizations				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The main objective of this introductory course is to present a different reading of world history with a specific focus on the roots of the modern international society as we know today. The students are expected to take a critical stance towards history, and to understand that the history we know may well be one of many alternative readings. During the semester, the instructor will ask rhetorical questions to students to help them realize the make-up of heavily Western-oriented interpretation of world political history. Additionally, the course will lay down the historical framework from ancient civilizations to 1648 Westphalian Accords.</p>					

Course Code	ENF 101					
Course Name	Basic Computer Skills					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		2	0		0	3
<p>The aim of this course is to provide students with the ability to use computer and office programs at a basic level. Students will be informed about basic concepts of information technology, operating systems, office programs, internet technology and social networks. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to explain the general principles of computers and operating systems; prepare documents, tables and presentations; and use the internet for research.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 107					
Course Name	English for Academic Purposes					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>The main objective of this course is to improve all academic English language skills of IR students with a special focus on two areas: Reading and writing. By conducting weekly in-class reading and writing activities together with listening and speaking practices, this course will aim to develop IR student's English language skills. Students who complete this course should be able to better understand IR related texts in their courses familiarize with IR terminology and also be able to better express themselves both orally and in writing in English.</p>						
Course Code	TDB 101					
Course Name	Turkish Language & Literature – I					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		2	0		0	3
<p>The main aim of this course is to familiarize students with the evolution of Turkish literature, and to develop their critical literary skills. The course focuses on basic principles of Turkish grammar and various genres in literature. Upon successful completion of the course, students will gain proficiency in reading critically and writing grammatically in Turkish language.</p>						

II. SEMESTER

Course Code	IBF 104					
Course Name	Introduction to Sociology					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>This course aims to acquaint students with basic concepts in sociology, provide a brief review of major sociological theories, examine issues such as social interaction, aging, social classes and ethnicity, among others, and provide students with a solid theoretical and empirical background to interpret social issues they encounter in everyday life.</p>						
Course Code	IBF 106					
Course Name	Introduction to Law					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>This course is an introduction to the concept and role of law. You will explore law in its social context, examining how the law responds to different interests and emerging issues in a changing society. This course considers the nature of the rule of law and its relationship with morality, ethics, politics, human rights and decision-making through a critical exploration of topical issues. The central themes in this course are 'what is law?' and 'how does law work in contemporary societies?'. In this course, basic concepts of law, meaning and importance of law, legal institutions, rules governing social life, social relations and law, sources of law, definition of legal concepts, legal branches and their contents, basic areas of law, application of laws, interpretation and courts, society and state, sovereignty, government, legislative, executive and judicial organs, rights, different legal systems, mechanisms of Turkish legal system will be examined.</p>						

Course Code	CIR 112					
Course Name	Introduction to Economics II					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>The course introduces basic understanding of macroeconomics on national output, different type of economic policies to access national objectives such as high employment, low inflation, rise in national welfare. The course covers the basic concepts on measuring a nation's income, measuring the cost of living, real economy, growth and unemployment, monetary system and inflation, open economy and short-run trade-offs.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 102					
Course Name	Modern World History					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>This course examines world events from 1600 to the present. It explores the impact of the democratic and industrial revolutions, the forces that led to world domination by European powers, the wars that changed empires, the ideas that led to independence movements and the effects of global interdependence. The concepts of historical thinking introduced in earlier grades continue to build with students locating and analyzing primary and secondary sources from multiple perspectives to draw conclusions.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 104					
Course Name	Introduction to International Relations					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	4
<p>This course provides a general introduction to the discipline of International Relations and to major themes in world politics. The main objective of the course is to provide students with the ability to understand IR theories deeply, analyze classical and contemporary theories of IR, and interpret the role of political, economic, ethnic, religious and philosophical understandings within the global system which give birth to the emergence of state and which form law, norms, and political regimes. The student who successfully completes this course is expected to be able to recognize approaches and theories of international politics; analyze the history and future of IR as a scientific discipline; and interpret main international problems from the mentioned IR perspectives.</p>						
Course Code	ENF 102					
Course Name	Basic Computer Science					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		2	0		0	3
<p>This course aims to familiarize students with the main concepts of information and communication technologies. Students will be informed about the characteristics and operating principles of computer hardware, database software and its usage, and the logic of computer programming. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to explain the general principles of information technology, use the databases, and understand general properties of computer programs.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 108					
Course Name	Academic Writing Skills					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		0	4
<p>This course is a follow-up of English for Academic Purposes course and specifically aims to improve IR students' academic writing skills. This course aims to develop IR students' research writing skills in two steps: First by developing their essay writing skills in English and secondly by introducing students how to design and write an introductory level IR research paper. By following these steps, students will be able to both develop an effective writing ability and also get familiarized with the basic concepts of research and writing in IR such as formulating a research question and hypotheses, conducting data collection, following the general rules of citation and academic honesty.</p>						
Course Code	TDB 102					
Course Name	Turkish Language & Literature II					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		2	0		0	3
<p>The main aim of this course is to familiarize students with the evolution of Turkish literature, and to develop their critical literary skills. The course focuses on the analysis of literary texts from various genres and traditions in Turkish literature. Upon successful completion of the course students will gain proficiency in analyzing and interpreting Turkish literary texts in terms of structure, theme, language and expression, meaning and traditions.</p>						

III. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 211					
Course Name	Turkish Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>One of the primary objectives of this course is demonstrating the historical evolution of Turkish politics. In this respect, the course will focus on key institutions that have been playing a role in political events and developments in the history of Turkey. The course also aims to enable students to understand the political life, institutions and processes in Turkey. The course will touch upon the issues like democracy, civil society, secularism, the rise of Islam, nationalism, identity politics, socioeconomic changes, and modernity.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 203					
Course Name	Theories of International Relations					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	6
<p>This course aims to provide students with an introduction to essential concepts and terms of art (including sovereignty, anarchy, the state, politics, power, war and order) for the study of International Relations. Having studied the core conceptual building-blocks, the course explores the role of theory in the study of International Relations, examining the main contending theoretical approaches (such as Realism, Liberalism, Constructivism, Post-Colonialism, Feminism, and Post-Structuralism), and developing awareness of the areas of ongoing debate and reformulation in the discipline. The course seeks to communicate the character of world politics from diverse perspectives (including system, actor, and normative approaches), with an emphasis on relating theory to questions of public concern and policies in practice. The course will draw on core texts in modern political philosophy and international relations theory to provide students with a firm grounding from which to think about a range of critical issues in global affairs.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 205					
Course Name	Diplomatic History of the 20th Century					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>The course aims to understand changes in the international system from the Vienna Congress to the end of the Cold War. In the first term changes in the European balance of power, the rise of new power, systemic changes will be examined. The course targets to explain the evolution of international relations to understand the current structure better.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 217					
Course Name	Statistics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>Statistics is the field that aims to bridge this gap between information and knowledge. The aim of this undergraduate course is to provide a basic introduction to the statistical concepts such as: (i) summary and display of data, (ii) basic probability concepts, (iii) discrete and continuous distributions, (iv) probabilistic and statistical modeling of real problems, (v) estimation, and (vi) tests of statistical hypotheses. This course is an application-oriented introduction to modern statistical modeling and inference in the social sciences. By the end of the course, students should be able to conduct basic statistical analysis by themselves.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 209					
Course Name	History of Political Thought					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	6
<p>This course focuses on major texts in the history of political thought. It considers the ways in which thinkers such as Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke have responded to the particular political problems. With this course, students will be able to examine central concepts in political theory including the state of nature, the social contract, authority, legitimacy, obligation, consent, rights, the public/private distinction, justice, liberty, and equality.</p>						
Course Code	AIB 101					
Course Name	Ataturk's Principles and History of Turkish Revolution I					
		T	U	L	K	ECTS
		2	0		0	3
<p>This course aims to inform students about the political, economic, social and cultural history of the Republic of Turkey, in order to provide them with a sophisticated view of historical events and a critical assessment of current issues. In this first part of the course, the historical process from the reform movements in the Ottoman Empire to the foundation of the modern Turkey will be examined.</p>						

IV. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 222					
Course Name	Constitutional Law					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to provide the students with a general understanding of the current developments in this field, as well as providing information about Turkish Constitutional Law. With this aim, both national and international contexts of constitutional politics will be subjected to a close examination. From this perspective, student participation is particularly encouraged as a general and efficient method of joint learning experience. Some of the topics covered during the course include: the “Constitution” and “constitutionalism” are concepts and discussions; legal and political approaches to constitutions; “State” and the structural components of the state as a socio-political phenomenon; democracy and its legal consequences, comparison of government systems; basic features of the Turkish Constitutional System; the formation and duties of legislative, executive and judicial bodies; fundamental rights and freedoms and judicial protection; constitutional courts and comparative constitutional review.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 204					
Course Name	New Approaches in International Relations Theories					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	6
<p>This course serves as an advanced introduction into theories and approaches of international relations (IR). The first part of the course examines broad range of IR theories, including realism, liberalism, constructivism, the English School, and critical approaches to IR, and debates on important concepts such as power, anarchy, norms, and institutions. In the second part, we apply theories to several substantive issues central to international politics, such as the causes of war and peace, norms and international cooperation, nuclear proliferation, and international environmental politics, among others. Assignments will provide students with the opportunity to think critically about existing approaches, apply them to explain processes and events in international politics and build on them to develop their own stance with respect to a pressing policy concern in contemporary global politics.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 206					
Course Name	Contemporary Diplomatic History					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>The course aims to understand changes in the international system from the Vienna Congress to the end of the Cold War. In the second term, changes from 1945 to end of the Cold war will be examined. The course targets to explain the evolution of international relations to understand the current structure better.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 224					
Course Name	Research Methods in Social Sciences					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>The course aims to prepare the students to carry out the various steps of a traditional research design in IR field. In that respect, the course begins with how to choose a general topic, how to develop an initial question, what dependent and independent variables are, and how to refine the question. Among other important parts of research, this course also covers the literature review in international relations, describing what scholarly sources are, why students should use them, how to find them, and how to organize them. The instructor discusses methodology that covers how students can operationalize and measure variables via introducing mostly the qualitative research methods. Finally, regarding the analysis and writing of the data gathered in the research, the students are guided to practice endnote, footnote and citation techniques.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 210					
Course Name	Foreign Policy Analysis					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0	3		6
<p>This course aims to teach the foreign policy decision-making process and analyze all impacts on this process. Also system level and domestic level analyses are aimed to show how these external and internal developments are important on designing foreign policy. One of the important outcomes of this course is to grasp the current foreign policy choices of states by teaching theoretical framework and using specific cases. Psychological and sociological approaches are thought to show the importance of individuals and institutions in this process.</p>						

Course Code	AIB 102				
Course Name	Ataturk's Principles and History of Turkish Revolution II				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	2	0		0	3
<p>This course aims to inform students about the political, economic, social and cultural history of the Republic of Turkey, in order to provide them with a sophisticated view of historical events and a critical assessment of the current issues. In this second part of the course, the political, economic and social transformations that Turkey has undergone since its foundation will be analyzed.</p>					

V. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 305				
Course Name	International Organizations				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to address the foundations, nature, role and behaviour of international organizations. While the origin of the idea of international organizations will be examined through philosophical and historical dimensions, the evolution and functioning of contemporary international organizations will be examined through their roles in world politics. Particular emphasis will be put on the United Nations.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 313				
Course Name	International Economics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course covers the basics of theories on international economics and the effects of various international economic policies on domestic and world welfare. The course highlights sources of comparative advantages, gains and losses from trade, the impact of trade on economic growth, and effects of trade policy interventions such as tariffs, quotas, voluntary export restraints, and export subsidies.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 327				
Course Name	International Legal Order				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The main objective of the course is to present basic concepts of the international legal order to the students; and to help them develop skills necessary for an analysis of relationship between legal tools and international society. The course intends to create a link with the modern society and the quest for justice by meshing the history and the legal adventure of the world society.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 307				
Course Name	Central Asia & Caucasus				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>Improving relations with the Central Asian Republics and Caucasus have always been a key theme of the nationalist political currents in Turkey. This course examines the relationship between the policies adopted related to Central Asia and Caucasus and the phenomenon of nationalism, political parties, cultural links, important turning points in the relations, including the end of the Cold-War.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 309				
Course Name	Global Security				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to familiarize students with the contemporary issues of security. In the context of changing and broadening security agenda, several theories, concepts and topics will be explored. Some of the vital security issues such as terrorism, transnational criminal organizations, nuclear proliferation and environmental issues will be discussed.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 311				
Course Name	International Human Rights				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to expose students to understand different aspects of international human rights protection systems. In pursuing this goal, the course will particularly focus on the theory, policy and the legal perspectives of human rights. International and regional human rights protection systems' procedures as well as other quasi-legal techniques will be thought during the course time. It is also crucial to note that the students will have several opportunities to explore the interaction between international and domestic human rights systems.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 329				
Course Name	Asia-Pacific in World Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		0	5
<p>This course aims to introduce IR students to East Asia and Asia Pacific politics and to the factors shaping the politics in the region while focusing on security and economic issues in the region. The course will start by first providing an overview of East Asia and Asia Pacific starting with the 19th century and during the 20th and early 21st centuries and how bipolarity during the Cold War helped to lay the groundwork for present-day political dynamics in the region while focusing on state formation, regime types, democratization, and political culture in the region. Following this overview, the course will focus on the interplay between external and regional powers in the region, alongside the foreign policies of the main actors in the region including international organizations such as ASEAN. Within this context, topics such as the rise of China and the increasing concerns about China's growing economic and military power, the growing Sino-American competition in the regime, the North Korea and Taiwan and South and East China Sea conflicts, the growing institutionalization of regional politics through the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and non-traditional security problems such as terrorism and human rights violations will be covered.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 315				
Course Name	US Foreign Policy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>USA has been one of the most powerful states since the beginning of the 20th century. She is an important actor to be analyzed that has diplomatic, economic and military relations almost all around the world, especially after the end of the Cold War. In this course analyzing the American Foreign Policy from theoretical perspective and also teaching institutional evolution of this process to students are aimed. One of the most important aims of this course is to try to grasp the dynamics of the USA Foreign Policy decision-making system. Also this course gives a chance to study the current developments all over the world.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 317				
Course Name	Elective Foreign Language Basic Level				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The aim of this beginner level language course is to provide students with basic skills in their selected foreign language. The course offers an introduction to the selected language including pronunciation, vocabulary, grammar, reading, writing, and conversation. Students will, for instance, learn how to greet someone, introduce themselves, ask and understand a direction, interact in a shop or order at a restaurant, and express their likes and dislikes.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 321				
Course Name	Introduction to Turkish Foreign Policy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>In this course, understanding the concept of Turkish Foreign Policy dynamics is aimed. The main concept of the course is to teach the historical developments of Turkish Foreign Policy on the basis of Ottoman heritage and also to teach the impacts of international developments. Foreign Policy teaching will be supported by theoretical perspective and institutional developments in order to have better understanding of the current foreign policy structure. In the first term developments until 1980s will be covered.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 337				
Course Name	Accounting				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The primary objective of Accounting course is to introduce students with the science of accounting and to teach them how to record business operations. In addition, it is aimed to familiarize students with accounting functions and economic events affecting a business that eventually impact the financial statements such as balance sheet and income statement. Another aim of this course is showing students how to record transactions in double entry system. In addition, teaching students to prepare an income statement and balance sheet, reporting revenues and expenses are important goals of the course.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 357				
Course Name	Microeconomics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This is an introductory course that teaches the fundamentals of microeconomics. This course begins with an introduction to supply and demand and the basic forces that determine equilibrium in a market economy. Next, it introduces a framework for learning about consumer behavior and analyzing consumer decisions. Finally, we then turn our attention to firms and their decisions about optimal production, and the impact of different market structures on firms' behavior. By the end of the course, students should be able to: (i) understand consumer behavior, (ii) understand firm behavior, (iii) analyze different types of market structures (monopoly, oligopoly and a competitive market), (iv) understand how to apply economic principles to a range of policy questions.</p>					

VI. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 304				
Course Name	EU Integration				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>Within the framework of historical and theoretical background of the European integration process, the course aims to give students the basics to have full understanding of the process of European integration in economic, political, social and judiciary terms and discuss the recent challenges the European Union (EU) faces and recent developments regarding the future of the EU. In that respect, in addition to primary focus on economic and political evolution of the European integration process in historical perspective, the institutions and law of the EU are among the several issues that will be explored in this course. More specifically, EU foreign policy, enlargement policy of the EU will be elaborated in relation to their contents, policy-making procedures and recent developments. Thus, the students are expected to develop their capabilities further for analytical thinking in EU studies.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 330				
Course Name	Public International Law				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is the continuation of the International Legal Order, and the topics covered are closely linked with the earlier course. The main objective of the course is to present basic concepts of public international law to the students and to help them in developing skills in analysis of relationship between law and international society. The topics related to the law of the sea will cover a significant portion of the second semester together with the law of warfare. Legal tools for a peaceful settlement of disputes will be another key focal point of the course.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 332				
Course Name	Regional Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to acquaint students with the regional approach to international relations, and provide an empirical overview of the major issues in many regions of the world, including historical as well as recent developments. Some of the regions to be covered are the Asia-Pacific, Latin America, Middle East, Africa, Europe, and North America.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 308					
Course Name	Gender & Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course offers an introduction to the meaning of gender in society and politics. The primary goal of this course is to familiarize students with key issues, questions and debates in gender studies, both historical and contemporary, and allow them to analyze and understand the strategic challenges in the field. The four modules that CIR308 Gender and Politics include (1) Theorizing Gender, (2) The Structure of Gender Relations, (3) Femininity and Masculinity, and (4) Sexual Politics.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 310					
Course Name	Latin America in World Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>The purpose of this course is to analyze the central features of new democratic regimes in Latin America and the institutional transformations they have experienced since 1978. The course is divided into three sections: democracy and political institutions, performance and quality of democracy, and institutional reform. We start with a conceptual introduction to the study of democracy and democratization and the main political institutions of new democracies in Latin America. In the second section, we will discuss the different factors that determine variations in the performance and quality of democratic regimes in the region. The third section analyzes specific areas of institutional change, such as electoral reform, presidential powers, judicial reform, decentralization, and mechanisms of popular participation. The final section concludes with an evaluation of the impact of institutional reform on the capacity of democratic regimes in Latin America to provide public goods and give adequate representation to citizen interests.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 312					
Course Name	Geopolitics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to address the key concepts, main issues and competing visions of geopolitics. In the first part of the course, the focus will be on the imperialist origins of geopolitical thought, where as in the second part, Cold War geopolitics will be analyzed through its practices and consequences. In the third part of the course, the geopolitical frame of the post Cold-War period will be discussed through the “new world order” debates and the last part of the course will introduce anti-geopolitical discourses on the key issues of power, gender and political economy with the aim of offering multidimensional “new geopolitics” of the late twentieth century.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 326					
Course Name	International Environmental Policy					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course provides an overview of the global environmental problems and policies. Including 8 modules, this course will enable students to gain an overview of the theoretical concepts and allow them to analyze and understand the strategic challenges in managing long-term environmental problems. These 8 modules include (1) What is environment? Why to develop environmental policies?, (2) International environmental negotiations and actors, (3) Effectiveness of international environmental regimes, (4) Fundamentals of global energy and energy in Turkey, (5) Fundamentals of biodiversity protection and biodiversity in Turkey, (6) Fundamentals of global water governance and water governance in Turkey, (7) Fundamentals of international waste management and waste management in Turkey, (8) Fundamentals of climate change and climate change policy in Turkey.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 316					
Course Name	Nationalism & Ethnicity in World Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to introduce the basic concepts, theories and fundamental questions in the production, performance, and study of nationalism and ethnicity in world politics. It tries to strike a balance between teaching theories and anchoring them in empirical selected issues, such as the contemporary manifestations of ethnic politics and influence of nationalist ideologies on political life. Students will learn about the major theories of nationalism and the emergence of nations, and discuss the contemporary points of interest in which ethnicity and nationalism act both as conflict generators and potential tools of conflict resolution. Upon successful completion of the course, students will become familiar with the main theories of nationalism; and will be able to evaluate critically the various aspects of ethnic conflict, civil war, and genocide, with their political, ideological, social and cultural roots.</p>						

Course Code	CIR 318				
Course Name	Elective Foreign Language Intermediate Level				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The aim of this intermediate level language course is to provide students with further skills in their selected foreign language. Students will improve their oral and written expression, and strengthen their public speaking skills in the selected language. They will learn to express their own opinions through various exercises: oral presentations, debates, academic writing, interviews, creative workshops, readings of texts and articles.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 322				
Course Name	Contemporary Turkish Foreign Policy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>In this course, understanding the concept of Turkish foreign policy dynamics is aimed. The main concept of the course is to teach the historical developments of Turkish foreign policy on the basis of Ottoman heritage and also to teach the impacts of international developments. Foreign Policy teaching will be supported by theoretical perspective and institutional developments in order to have better understanding of the current foreign policy structure. After the introductory course of Turkish foreign policy, this term developments from 1980s to present will be covered.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 340				
Course Name	International Finance				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>Course introduces students to foreign exchange markets, balance of payments, and international investment positions. The effects of monetary policies on the world markets will be analyzed. Derivative markets are used to hedge risk on foreign exchange markets. Global financial markets and operations of multinational firms are also considered.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 342				
Course Name	Energy Markets and Diplomacy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>In the modern world, national prosperity and defense depend on access to energy supplies and the aim of energy diplomacy is to secure energy supplies and use. This course examines the strategies that countries adopt to achieve energy security and the dilemmas they confront in the process. Recognizing that energy security is an emerging field, this course applies existing theoretical arguments and concepts to contemporary issues and events. The course also explores how alternative energy sources, including the development of unconventional gas resources, nuclear power, and renewables, is reshaping the global energy security landscape.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 358				
Course Name	Macroeconomics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course provides an economic analysis of key macroeconomic variables such as output, employment, inflation, interest rates and exchange rates and how the labor, money, and goods and services markets are interacted, interconnected. In addition, how the policies set by the central bank and how the government affects the economy in the short-run and long-run time horizon will be studied. At the end of the course, students will be able to critically evaluate the government policy responses to manage the macro economy.</p>					

VII. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 401				
Course Name	Middle Eastern Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course examines the politics of the modern and contemporary Middle East. It looks at relevant theories, history and case studies of the region, providing an in-depth understanding of the political, economic and cultural facets of the region's politics by looking at its political systems, its regional and international relations, conflict, political economy, and the 'politics of identity' such as nationalism and Islamism. The course assumes no prior expertise in regional politics or history.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 409				
Course Name	Conflict Analysis and Resolution				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This introductory course aims to acquaint students with basic concepts in conflict analysis and resolution from an international relations perspective, provide a brief review of major theories, examine issues such as conflict, conflict analysis, peacemaking, peace building, and gender in conflict resolution and provide students with a solid theoretical and empirical background on the topic.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 413				
Course Name	Global Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to familiarize students with the diverse global issues, their roots and consequences. A wide range of global issues ranging from economical to social ones, as well as security related issues will be discussed. Specifically, the course includes the general framework of International Relations (IR) discipline, the understanding of globalization and different meanings of governance and international order. In this line, the impact of globalization on different structures and processes of world politics –including security, political economy, international organizations, nationalism, environment, gender, and culture– will be the focus of the course. Thus, the students are expected to develop a sense of interdisciplinary understanding of IR discipline, and their analytical skills.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 421				
Course Name	Global Political Economy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course focuses on the interaction between institutions and actors in the field of international political economy (IPE). Particularly, it analyzes how power is distributed in the world economy with special reference to trade, production, finance, and knowledge. The course overviews the major theoretical approaches to international trade and investment including mercantilism, liberalism and historical structuralism. Building on these theoretical perspectives, it then examines the effects of international “structures” of trade, production, finance, and knowledge. We will also take up subjects such as globalization, global commodity chains, multinational corporations, regional integration, migration and the illegal economy.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 403				
Course Name	Turkey- EU Relations				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course is designed to provide students with a capability of multi-dimensional evaluation and analysis of the relations between Turkey and the EU. To be able to evaluate and understand current relations, it is necessary to know historical evolution of the relations. Therefore, providing a historical background and examining the legal basis of the official relations under the Ankara Association Agreement and the Customs Union constitute important parts of the course content. Helsinki Summit and Turkey’s candidacy status, the relations in the post-Helsinki era are among the several issues that will be explored in this course. The main purpose of the course is to analyze the interaction between the different aspects (political, economic and legal) of the relations in order to have a clear and analytical understanding and evaluation of Turkey-EU relations. The course also offers discussions about the current issues in Turkey-EU relations, immediate and comprehensively critical issues of Turkey’s accession negotiation process for further analytical thinking of the issue.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 425				
Course Name	Diplomatic Correspondence Basic				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The main objective of the course is to teach diplomatic correspondence basics to the students and help them in developing relevant English language skills and writing styles. This course also provides students with the knowledge on diplomatic terminology as well as topics such as titles, address forms, ranks, and treaties. It introduces various diplomatic correspondence texts so that the students could draft their own notes and letters through the assignments.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 407				
Course Name	Law of Obligations				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The aim of this course is to evaluate the General Provisions of Turkish Code of Obligations No. 6098 and to examine the formation, provisions and types of debt in the light of scientific and judicial resources. The course involve the systematic of the new Turkish Code of Obligations in comparison with the previous Code, the basic principles and sources of the law of obligations, the concept of obligation and debtor-creditor relationships, obligations arising out of legal transactions, especially contracts; the formation, interpretation, completion and invalidity of contracts and adjustments according to changing conditions; torts; unjust enrichment.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 427				
Course Name	Public Diplomacy and Communication				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to provide the students with a solid background in the theory and applications of public diplomacy. After two weeks devoted to the concepts of soft power and public diplomacy, we will look at the major tools of public diplomacy, namely cultural diplomacy, exchange of persons and broadcasting. Then, non-state actors that play an important role in public diplomacy will be examined, with separate weeks on the role of business and on citizen diplomacy and diasporas. Aid diplomacy and mediation will be covered next, which are less conventional tools in public diplomacy. The course will end by looking at the role of technology and social media in public diplomacy. Each week, there will be theoretical readings as well as case studies of various countries' public diplomacy efforts, including Turkey.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 417				
Course Name	Balkan Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to analyze Balkan politics since the end of imperial dynastic Ottoman and Habsburg rule. While the origins of the idea of nations and nationalisms in the Balkans will be examined through theoretical and historical dimensions, the evolution and functioning of contemporary Balkan inter-state relations will be examined through their relations with major power centers such as EU, US, Russia and Turkey. There will be emphasis on the current topics such as the Macedonian Question, Kosovo Problem, and secessionist attempts in BiH and the issues of citizenship, minorities, and refugees in the Balkans. Upon completion of this course, students are expected to analyze the influence of major power centers in Balkan politics, to understand loaded meanings on the Balkan label, to discuss post-Yugoslav political transformation from different theoretical perspectives, and to explain state-making and nation-building processes in the region.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 419				
Course Name	Ottoman Turkish Basic Level				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course will provide students with the necessary skills to read and understand Ottoman Turkish written in the Arabic script at a basic level. The texts will consist of materials printed in the late 19th and early 20th centuries: short stories, articles and newspaper clippings. Students will acquire the basic Arabic and Persian formulas in use, along with the vocabulary and terms of the era. Equal emphasis will be given to establish a sound grammatical foundation as well as intensive reading exercises to build fluency.</p>					

VIII. SEMESTER

Course Code	CIR 416				
Course Name	Global Governance				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is designed to address the structure, actors and the main issues of global governance. While in the first part of the lecture, the concept of global governance will be discussed through the analysis of the challenges and opportunities of globalization, the UN, states and non-state actors will be examined as evolving multiple pieces of global governance in the second part. In the third part of the course, issues of security, human rights, environment and human development will be discussed among the main challenges for global governance. The last part of the course will be devoted to discussions on the dilemmas of global governance.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 432				
Course Name	Comparative Politics				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course is an introduction to the study of comparative politics and provides an overview of some of the key theoretical frameworks, concepts, and analytical methods of this field of study. We study political systems around the world with a view to understanding and explaining their differences and similarities with respect to their political institutions, the behaviour of their key political actors, and their policymaking processes and performance. The course begins by examining the building blocks of the comparative approach. We describe, explain and examine the consequences of different political institutions in established democracies, including executive-legislative relations, electoral systems, and strong judiciaries. We then progress to look at some non-democratic forms of politics.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 434				
Course Name	Turkish Economy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course analyzes the features of Turkish economy from Ottoman times to present. In this sense, nationalization and liberal periods, import substitution industrialization, export oriented industrialization and finally liberal period will be analyzed with the current economic objectives.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 436				
Course Name	Graduation Project				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The Graduation Project is the culmination of the Bachelor's degree. It is a written scientific work that aims to prove students' ability to work with scientific methods independently, to critically evaluate scientific literature, and to communicate in an academic manner. Students work independently on the Project under the guidance of a supervisor. The process of writing a Graduation Project mainly consists of identifying a relevant topic, reviewing literature about it, critically analyzing it, and writing up the findings. The final project is to be presented in a public meeting of the examination committee.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 404				
Course Name	Negotiation Theory & Practice				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This advanced course of international relations program intends to teach students that negotiation is a rather simple and functional method for settling peacefully (compared to legal options such as arbitration and adjudication). The course introduces certain basic concepts such as BATNA, Prisoner's Dilemma, principled negotiation, objective criteria, game models, mutual gains approach and many other negotiation concepts. The course module puts students in many more negotiation settings so that they could get rid of positional bargaining strategies and find a way of 'expanding the pie' by linking the interests of the sides. The course combines simple daily dilemmas of ordinary people with those of diplomats who have lots to lose if they give in.</p>					

Course Code	CIR 406					
Course Name	European Union Law					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>The overall aim of the course is for students to attain the basic knowledge of EU legal system. In this context, it will examine the evolution, structure, institutions and sources of EU law and the position of this body of law in the legal systems of the member states. The course is broadly divided into three parts. The first part consists of a presentation of the historical background of the EU, its institutional structure, character of legal sources and the policy making process. The second part gives an overview of the substantive rights and obligations protected by EU law. The third and final part focuses on the enforcement of EU law vis-à-vis the Union, the Member States, and individuals. The course is aimed at those interested not only in the law of the EU, but also in understanding the functioning of the EU institutions and the current problems that Europe faces.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 408					
Course Name	Commercial Law					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course introduces students to the basic rules of commercial law including: the formation, performance and termination of a contract; consumer guarantees; liability for unsafe products; discussion of various legal structures used to operate a business; and an introduction to e-commerce issues. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to demonstrate a comprehensive contextual knowledge of the concepts and principles of commercial law; understand the legal processes relevant to commercial law; and outline basic contract terms that might be used in legal practice.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 414					
Course Name	Current Issues in EU Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
		3	0		3	5
<p>Considering the students have had the basic framework of historical and theoretical background of the European integration process, the course aims to provide the necessary environment in which the recent developments and current issues in EU politics are discussed. In that regard, starting with exploring the last revision Treaty, the Lisbon Treaty, the course dwells on the main challenges the EU faces and the future restructuring of the EU. In this framework, the main economic, social and political issues of the EU will be explored in that the students would have an overview of not only the recent debates on the economic crisis management and the future of the EMU, but also on various other issues such as democracy and governance in the EU, EU identity, migration, energy and environmental issues, as well as EU's role in international politics. Through this way, students are expected to develop their capabilities further for analytical thinking in EU studies.</p>						
Course Code	CIR 418					
Course Name	Africa in World Politics					
		T	U	L	Kr	ECT
		3	0		3	5
<p>This course introduces students to the study of African politics. A further aim of the course is to encourage students to think critically about how Africa has been studied and about new and perhaps better ways to study Africa. The course proceeds in three parts. The first part will examine the historical institutions of pre-colonial Africa, the colonial states of European conquest, and the emergence of modern African states. The second part will look more closely at the nature of political authority in African states; how African states have constructed their regimes, their various political ideologies, and how they deal with the more pressing issues of economic development and poverty. Finally, the course will consider how dynamics of African international relations affect particular issues, such as security, conflict, humanitarianism, governance and prosperity. By the end of the course, students should have a critical and broad understanding of African politics and the historical forces that have shaped its reality. In addition, they should be able to critically examine the utility, strengths and weaknesses of major concepts and theories to understand Africa in international politics.</p>						

Course Code	IBF 102				
Course Name	Business Management				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>Students will learn basic concepts of business management, such as the key operations of accounting, organization, personnel management, marketing, and social responsibility. After learning basic principles of demand and supply, and how to make investment, they would play the role of investor to experience the market process as it operates through contemporary financial institutions under different economic systems. Finally, basic principles of marketing, accounting and human resources will be under consideration. The conditions for investing in Turkey will also be studied.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 420				
Course Name	Ottoman Turkish Intermediate Level				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>The course will provide the students with the necessary skills to read and understand Ottoman Turkish written in the Arabic script at intermediate level. The texts will consist of materials printed in the late 19th and early 20th centuries: short stories, articles and newspaper clippings. Students will acquire the basic Arabic and Persian formulas in use, along with the vocabulary and terms of the era. Equal emphasis will be given to establish a sound grammatical foundation as well as intensive reading exercises to build fluency.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 422				
Course Name	Administrative Law				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course aims to reflect the wider dimensions of administrative law, stressing its links with public administration, commerce and politics. The study of administrative law involves examination of the legal rules and institutions through which governmental decision-making is authorized, effected, limited and reviewed. This course examines both the exercise of executive power by administrative agencies and officials, and the means by which administrative decisions can be supervised, controlled and challenged. The course will be of particular interest to those who wish to be employed in public administration.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 426				
Course Name	Diplomatic Correspondence Intermediate				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This is the follow-up course to the “CIR 425 Diplomatic Correspondence – Basics” which is a pre-requisite course. It reviews what was taught in CIR 425 and then moves into more substantial next level topics. Its interactive nature (with Q&A sessions, discussions, oral presentation term projects and various homework) aims to consolidate diplomacy topics into a solid understanding by the students. It introduces a number of new diplomatic correspondence and treaty texts so that the students continue to develop analysis techniques. Interpretation and translation exercises will help the students to improve their communication and writing skills.</p>					
Course Code	CIR 430				
Course Name	Russian Politics & Foreign Policy				
	T	U	L	Kr	ECTS
	3	0		3	5
<p>This course is an introduction to the politics of the Russian Federation (Russia). The course is divided into two (unequal) parts. The first part is organized chronologically and covers the period up to the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. The goal for this part of the course is to provide some minimal essential background for those who have never had a course in Russian or Soviet history. The second part of the course is organized thematically. We learn about the basic institutional structure of Russian politics, assess the political and economic order created under Boris Yeltsin and Vladimir Putin, investigate some important challenges facing Russia today, and seek to understand Russia’s current place in the world and where the country is going through.</p>					