

**ANKARA YILDIRIM BEYAZIT UNIVERSITY – DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  
COURSE SYLLABUS**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Course Type</b>	<b>ECTS Credits</b>	<b>Prerequisite Information</b>	<b>Date of Preparation</b>
PSPA107	Sociology	Compulsory	4	-	22.10.2025
<b>Instructor of the Course &amp; E-Mail Address</b>	Asst. Prof. Öykü ŞAFAK ÇUBUKÇU oykusafakcubukcu@aybu.edu.tr				
<b>Office Hours &amp; Office Room</b>	Tuesday, 13:00-14:00 & Friday, 13:00-14:00, B309				
<b>Course Content and Objectives</b>	The objective of the course is to learn the main fields and methods of the discipline of sociology; to become familiar with sociological theories; to understand the relationship between sociology and disciplines such as political science and economics; to ensure that students become familiar with studies in the field and develop analytical thinking skills through current concepts such as social inequalities, globalization, urbanization, and the environment.				
<b>Textbook(s)</b>	Giddens A, Duneier M, Appelbaum R, Carr D (2018), Introduction to Sociology, Seagull 11th edition, W. W. Norton & Company.				
<b>Teaching Methods and Techniques</b>	The lecturer will convey the topics in the source book to the students in an interactive way; it is targeted to increase the students' mastery of the topics and questioning skills through active learning, and to reinforce the topics with in-class writing exercises.				
<b>Course Learning Outcomes</b>	1	Teaching fundamentals of Sociology			
	2	Forming basic skills for other courses			
	3	Improving analytical thinking			
	4	Teaching systematic and logical thought			
	5	Illustrating the relation among social sciences			
	6	Improving verbal and oral expression/communication skills			
	7	Operationalizing the knowledge			
<b>Program Outcomes Contributed by the Course</b>	<b>Program Outcomes (PO)</b>				
	1	Understanding and explaining the concepts and theories of Politics and Social Sciences, Management Sciences, Law Sciences, Urbanization and Environment Problems			
	2	To be able to reach and use advanced conceptual, theoretical and empirical knowledge in the light of current academic resources in Political and Social Sciences			
	3	To be able to collect data, analyze it and use it in scientific evaluation by using the research methods of Political Science and Public Administration			
	4	To be able to interpret national and international current developments by using theoretical knowledge and analytical techniques, and to be able to produce solutions to political and social problems			
	6	To be able to follow the theoretical and practical innovations in the areas of politics, administration, law, urbanization and environmental problems at national and international level			
	7	To be able to inform the people and institutions working in the fields of politics, administration, law, urbanization and environmental problems, to be able to transmit suggestions of solutions to problems			
	8	To follow the academic developments related to discipline by using the English language at level B1 ("European Language Portfolio Global Scale", Level B1) and to communicate with colleagues			

	9	To have basic knowledge of other relevant social science disciplines and to be able to utilize them in the discipline of political science and public administration.	
	11	To develop as individuals who can contribute to social development, are reliable, creative, and look at situations and events objectively and critically.	
<b>Contribution of the Course to Field Instruction</b>	The students will learn the concepts, theories, and research methods of Sociology, understand the relation between society and other areas like politics and economy, and develop their analytical thinking skills through the examination of current developments from different perspectives.		
<b>Topics Covered in the Course</b>	1. Week	Introduction to the Course	
	2. Week	Chapter 1: What is Sociology	
	3. Week	Chapter 2: Research Methods	
	4. Week	Chapter 3: Culture and Society	
	5. Week	Chapter 4: Socialization	
	6. Week	Chapter 8: Social Stratification	
	7. Week	Chapter 9: Global Inequality	
	8. Week	Midterm Week	
	9. Week	Chapter 10: Gender Inequality	
	10. Week	Chapter 13: Government and Political Power	
	11. Week	Chapter 13: Social Movements	
	12. Week	Chapter 14: Work and Economic Life	
	13. Week	Chapter 19: Urbanization and Environment	
	14. Week	Chapter 20: Globalization	
	15. Week	Conclusion and Revision	
<b>Course Evaluation Criteria</b>	<b>In-Term Studies</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Percentage %</b>
	Mid-terms	1	% 40
	Quizzes		%
	Assignments		%
	Attendance		%
	Practice		%
	Project		%
	Final examination	1	% 60
	<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>
<b>Disability Policy</b>	If you have a documented disability (e.g., visual, hearing, or physical impairment, etc.) that may influence your performance in this course, it is recommended to meet with the Engelsiz AYBU ( <a href="https://aybu.edu.tr/engelsiz/content_list-327-yildirim-beyazit-universitesi-engelsiz-universite-birimi-yonergesi.html">https://aybu.edu.tr/engelsiz/content_list-327-yildirim-beyazit-universitesi-engelsiz-universite-birimi-yonergesi.html</a> ) to arrange for reasonable conditions (such as accommodation, etc.) to ensure an equitable opportunity to meet all the requirements of this course. You may also contact the local authority of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. You should communicate your needs to the course instructor as soon as possible to ensure that any course needs concerning exams, lecture materials, etc. are met.		