

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

Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	ECTS Credits	Prerequisite Information	Date of Preparation
PSPA317	REGIONAL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE	Elective	6	-	01.09.2025
Instructor of the Course & E-Mail Address	Prof.Dr. Ayşe Çolpan KAVUNCU YALDIZ akavuncu@gmail.com				
Office Hours & Office Room	Monday, 13.30-16.30				
Course Content and Objectives	The aim of this course is to introduce you to the literature on regional policy and governance. Also the other significant aim is to equip you with analytical tools necessary to understand the nature of the capitalist state and the changing spatiality of the capitalist state. Last, this course discusses the dynamics and reasons of emerging structures of regional governance in capitalist countries.				
Textbook(s)	<p>Lecture notes and weekly reading materials:</p> <p>Jessop, Bob (1999) ‘The strategic selectivity of the state: reflections on a theme of Poulantzas’, <i>Journal of the Hellenic Diaspora</i>, 25 (1-2): 1-37.</p> <p>Ekers&Loftus (2013). “Introduction”. Ed. Gramsci: Spece, Nature, Politics”, Wiley-Blackwell, p. 15-32.</p> <p>Bae-Gyoon Park (2017) “New spatial readings of the state”, <i>Territory, Politics, Governance</i> 5(1): 1-4</p> <p>Ventriss, Curtis (1994) “Public Administration and the changing nature of space”, <i>American Review of Public Administration</i>, 24 (1).</p> <p>Brenner, Neil (1999) “Beyond state-centrism? Space, territoriality, and geographical scale in globalization studies”, <i>Theory and Society</i> 28: 39-78.</p> <p>Jessop, Bob (2002) “Time and Space in the Globalization of Capital and Their Implications for State Power”, <i>Rethinking Marxism</i> 14 (1): 97-117</p> <p>Pike, A., Rodríguez-Pose, A., & Tomaney, J. (2017). <i>Local and Regional Development</i> (2nd ed.). Routledge. P.59-150</p> <p>Rodríguez-Pose, Andrés (2018). 'The revenge of the places that don't matter', <i>Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and Society</i> 11(1): 189–209.</p> <p>Keating, Michael (1998). <i>The New Regionalism in Western Europe: Territorial Restructuring and Political Change</i>, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar. P.16-58; 72-111</p> <p>Bachtler, J., Mendez, C. & Wislade, F. (2020). <i>EU Cohesion Policy and European Integration</i>. Routledge. P.3-44</p> <p>Kavuncu Ayşe Çolpan (2020) “Kültür Başkenti Uygulamaları Kavramsal Ve Kuramsal Arka Plan”, ed. Fırat Yıldız, <i>Türk Dünyası Kültür Başkentleri</i>, Nobel yayınları, Ankara</p> <p>Keating, Michael (1988) “Does Regional Government Work? The experience of Italy, France and Spain”, <i>Governance</i>, 1(2): 184-204.</p> <p>Zimmermann, Karsten & Panagiotis Getimis (2017) “Rescaling of Metropolitan Governance and Spatial Planning in Europe: an Introduction to the Special Issue”, <i>Raumforsch Raumordn</i> 75:203–209</p> <p>Kennedy, Loraine (2017) “State restructuring and emerging patterns of subnational policy-making and governance in China and India”, <i>Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space</i> 35(1): 6–24.</p>				

	<p>Kavuncu, A.Ç. (2017). Metropolitan Kent Yönetimi ve Yeniden Ölçeklendirme Süreci. Birol Akgün, Yusuf Tekin (Der), <i>Küreselleşme ve Yerelleşme Ekseninde Yerel Yönetim içinde</i>. Ankara: ŞAR Yayınları.</p> <p>Keating, Michael (2017) “Contesting European regions”, <i>Regional Studies</i> 51(1): 9-18.</p> <p>Benz, A. and B. Eberlein (1999) “The Europeanization of regional policies: patterns of multi-level governance”, <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i> 6 (2): 1350–1763.</p> <p>European Commission (2019). The European Green Deal. Brussels.</p> <p>OECD (2019). Making Decentralisation Work: A Handbook for Policy-Makers. Paris: OECD. P.59-106</p> <p>Tekeli, İlhan (2009). Türkiye’de Bölgesel Eşitsizlik ve Bölge Planlama Yazıları, Tarih Vakfı Yurt Yayınları, İstanbul. P.46-60;64-87</p> <p>Akkuş, A. (2022). Türkiye’nin Bölge Politikaları. İDEALKENT, 13(37), 1772-1797. https://doi.org/10.31198/idealkent.1121784</p> <p>Eraydın, Ayda (2004). Bölgesel Kalkınma Kavram, Kuram Ve Politikalarında Yaşanan Değişimler, Kentsel Ekonomik Araştırmalar Sempozyumu, PAÜ, Denizli, ss. 126-146.</p>	
<p>Teaching Methods and Techniques</p>	<p>In this course,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - homework, - class discussions, - weekly reading and reflection papers - midterm - final exam. 	
<p>Course Learning Outcomes</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>to discuss the case of Turkey.</p> <p>to give you a perspective on future public policy agenda in Turkey.</p> <p>to give you a perspective on the trends in the restructuring process of the Turkish administrative system.</p> <p>to discuss the international examples, and especially the case of the European Union countries.</p>
<p>Program Outcomes Contributed by the Course</p>	<p>Program Outcomes (PO)</p> <p>P1 to deeply comprehend and explain the concepts and theories of Political and Social Sciences, Administrative Sciences, Legal Studies, Urbanization, and Environmental Issues.</p> <p>P2 To follow theoretical and practical innovations emerging in the fields of politics, governance, law, urbanization, and environmental issues at both national and international levels.</p> <p>P7 To access and utilize advanced conceptual, theoretical, and empirical knowledge in the fields of Political and Social Sciences, Administrative Sciences, Legal Studies, Urbanization, and Environmental Issues in light of current academic sources.</p>	

Contribution of the Course to Field Instruction	The aim of this course is to introduce you to the literature on regional policy and governance.		
Topics Covered in the Course	1. Week	<u>Introduction</u>	
	2. Week	<u>The question of territoriality: The Nature of the capitalist State</u>	
	3. Week	<u>The question of territoriality: The geography of capitalist accumulation</u>	
	4. Week	<u>Changing spatiality of state action and public policies: Influences – I (Globalisation)</u>	
	5. Week	<u>Changing spatiality of state action and public policies: Influences – II (Europeanisation)</u>	
	6. Week	<u>Euopenisation → European Green Deal, Sustainability, and Regional Governance</u>	
	7. Week	<u>Administrative structures and Metropolitan Cities/Regional Policy</u>	
	8. Week	Midterm Week	
	9. Week	<u>Uneven Development and Tensions in Regional Policies</u>	
	10. Week	<u>The agency of regions: Regions as policy/polity-makers</u>	
	11. Week	<u>Regional policy objectives</u>	
	12. Week	<u>Taking a closer look at the case of Turkey – I (Historical Background)</u>	
	13. Week	<u>Taking a closer look at the case of Turkey – II (EU and Turkey)</u>	
	14. Week	<u>Taking a closer look at the case of Turkey – III (Turkey and Regional Economic Development)</u>	
	15. Week	General Review	
Course Evaluation Criteria	In-Term Studies	Quantity	Percentage %
	Mid-terms	1	%30
	Quizzes		%
	Assignments	1	%20
	Attendance		%
	Practice		%
	Project		%
	Final examination	1	%50
	Total		100%

Disability Policy	<p>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 (https://aybu.edu.tr/engelsiz/content_list-327-yildirim-beyazit-universitesi-engelsiz-universite-birimi-yonergesi.html) 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.</p>
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