



ANKARA YILDIRIM BEYAZIT UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCES
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION(ENG)

PSPA105 INTRODUCTION TO LAW					
Semester	Course Unit Code	Course Unit Title	L+P	Credit	Number of ECTS Credits
1	PSPA105	INTRODUCTION TO LAW	3	0	5

Mode of Delivery:

Face to Face

Language of Instruction:

English

Level of Course Unit:

Bachelor's Degree

Work Placement(s):

No

Department / Program:

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION(ENG)

Type of Course Unit:

Required

Objectives of the Course:

This course aims to provide students of the Faculty of Political Sciences with the theoretical and methodological foundations necessary to understand fundamental legal issues encountered at the undergraduate level and to evaluate legal matters in a systematic manner. The course is designed to enable students to use legal concepts accurately, identify legal problems, and assess such problems in light of relevant legislation and fundamental principles of law. It also seeks to help students apply the knowledge and analytical skills acquired throughout the course to their future academic and professional activities.

Accessibility Policy: Equal access to teaching, learning, and assessment activities is an essential principle of this course. Students who have a documented disability or other condition that may affect their academic performance or their ability to fulfill course requirements are encouraged to contact Engelsiz AYBÜ in order to discuss and arrange reasonable accommodations and appropriate support

(<https://aybu.edu.tr/GetFile?id=Upload/ddc51d9f-df46-4e26-979e-2e1ad3e8fff4.pdf>). Students may also seek assistance from the relevant unit or designated authorities within the Faculty of Political Sciences. If you require specific arrangements concerning examinations, access to course materials, the format or delivery of the course, or other academic requirements, you are expected to inform the course instructor as early as possible. Early communication will help ensure that appropriate arrangements and necessary support can be provided in a timely manner. **Artificial Intelligence Use Policy:** In this course, generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools may be used as supportive resources for learning and academic development, provided that their use is consistent with the principles of academic integrity and ethical conduct.

Students may use AI tools to better understand course materials, clarify complex concepts, explore different perspectives, develop research ideas, and engage in brainstorming during the initial stages of their academic work. However, submitting text, analysis, ideas, or other content generated by AI as the student's own work without meaningful personal contribution, critical evaluation, or appropriate acknowledgment is inconsistent with the principles of academic integrity. The use of AI tools does not transfer or diminish the student's academic responsibility. Accordingly, students are responsible for critically evaluating AI-generated content, checking its accuracy, verifying relevant information against appropriate sources, and correcting any errors or omissions before incorporating such material into their work. The final work submitted by students should reflect their own reasoning, analysis, interpretation, and academic contribution rather than simply reproducing AI-generated output. Where disclosure of AI use is required for a particular assignment, students are expected to appropriately indicate the AI tool used and the purpose for which it was used.

Teaching Methods and Techniques:

The class begins by exploring the relationship between society and the law, comparing legal rules with other rules governing social behavior, and delving into the characteristics of legal rules and the concept of legal sanctions. It is followed by the examination of various perspectives on the foundations of law within the framework of legal sources and the identification of the key factors influencing the validity of Turkish law sources. Hence, the class provides insights into the primary written sources of Turkish law, including the constitution, legislation, international agreements, presidential decrees, customary law, and supplementary sources. Moving on to the branches of law, the class addresses the challenges of classifying law into distinct branches, distinguishing between public and private law, and delving into sub-branches within these categories. In this context, the class offers essential information about sub-branches, clarifying which issues and concepts are encompassed by each branch or sub-branch. Following our exploration of basic concepts and principles related to procedural law, the class scrutinizes the Turkish judicial system, emphasizing the differentiation between judicial and administrative jurisdictions, giving place to discussions on the Turkish Constitutional Court and the European Court of Human Rights. Within the realm of law application, the class examines the spatial and temporal dimensions of legal application, elucidates the types of legal rules, and clarifies the primary methods for interpreting these rules.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Course Coordinator:

Name of Lecturers:

Asist Prof.Dr. Onur Musab KARAKAŞ

Assistants:

Recommended or Required Reading

Resources Introduction to Turkish Law Işık Önay, Işık Önay 2020, Wolters Kluwers, Introduction to Law, By Rona Aybay, İstanbul Bilgi University, 2009.

Main Textbook

ANSAY Ş. Tuğrul, Wallace Don, ÖNAY Işık, Introduction to Turkish Law, Seçkin 2020.

Other Recommended Books:

- AYBAY, Rona. An Introduction to Law, 14th Edition, Der Yayınları.

- GÖZLER, Kemal. Hukukun Temel Kavramları, 20. Baskı, Ekin Yayınevi.

- BÜLCİTİ, Fatih ve DEMİRYAZI, Fatma. Hukukun Temel Kavramları, 10. Baskı, Ders Yayınevi.

Course Category

Mathematics and Basic Sciences	:	Education	:
Engineering	:	Science	:
Engineering Design	:	Health	:
Social Sciences	: 100	Field	:

Weekly Detailed Course Contents

Week	Topics	Study Materials	Materials
1	Legal Systems and the Turkish Legal history	Article	Erbay, Hürol. 2018. "ESKİ HUKUK SİSTE
2	Sources of Law	reading	Kemal Gözler, Hukuka Giriş, Ekin Yayınla
3	Legal Systems of the World and Branches of Law	reading	Hatemi, Hüseyin, Medeni Hukuka Giriş, :
4	Classification and Application of Legal Rules		Hüseyin, Medeni Hukuka Giriş, 10. Baskı
5	The Judicial System of Turkey	research	Koçak Süren, Özlem, "Türkiye'de Yargını
6	Types of Lawsuits – 1	reading	Murat Atalı, İbrahim Ermenek, Hilal Ünal
7	Types of Lawsuits – 2	reading	Tercan, Erdal, "Farklı Yargı Kollarına Mer
8	Midterm Exam		
9	Personality – 1	reading	Hatemi, Kişiler Hukuku, 9. Baskı (2021),
10	Personality – 2	reading	Hatemi, Kişiler Hukuku, 9. Baskı (2021),
11	Liability	reading	İbrahim Kaplan, Türk Sorumluluk Hukuk
12	Obligation – 1	reading	Halil Akkanat, "İfa Gecikme ve Borçlu Te
13	Obligations-2	reading	Halil Akkanat, "İfa Gecikme ve Borçlu Te
14	Contract Types and Atypical Contracts	reading	Rona Serozan, "Atipik Trampa Sözleşme
15	Sanctions	reading	Hatemi, Hüseyin, Medeni Hukuka Giriş, :

Course Learning Outcomes

No	Learning Outcomes
C01	Students will explain the relationship between law and other rules of social order.
C02	Students will analyse the differences between public law and private law.
C03	Students will use fundamental legal concepts accurately and appropriately.
C04	Students will identify the sub-branches of law and explain the differences between them.
C05	Students will identify the fundamental institutions of the Turkish legal system and analyse the differences between them.

Program Learning Outcomes

No	Learning Outcome
P02	Compare the intellectual foundations of major political ideologies and of social difference phenomena such as religion, identity, nationalism and ethnicity, and analyse their reflections on politics and
P03	Analyse the historical development of Turkish political life, state-society relations, and Turkey's administrative-constitutional structure.
P04	Analyse relations between societies and states within the context of world history, and evaluate current developments at the national, regional and global levels on the basis of theoretical knowledge
P05	Define the fundamental concepts and principles of economics and public finance, and explain the relationship between public finance and economic policies and politico-administrative decisions.
P01	Define and interpret the fundamental concepts, theories and approaches of political science, public administration, law, and urbanisation-environment.

P06	Interpret public and private law legislation, and translate legislative changes into administrative implementation processes.
P07	Collect and analyse data using quantitative and qualitative research methods, and draw scientific inferences regarding political and administrative phenomena.
P08	Evaluate urbanisation and environmental problems at the local, national and global scales, and develop policy proposals to address them.
P09	Recognise the professional roles and employment fields in the public, private and civil society sectors, and apply acquired knowledge to these fields with a sense of professional, scientific and ethical

Assessment Methods and Criteria			ECTS Allocated Based on Student Workload			
In-Term Studies	Quantity	Percentage	Activities	Quantity	Duration	Total Work Load
Mid-terms	1	%40	Course Duration	14	3	42
Quizzes	0	%0	Hours for off-the-c.r.stud	14	2	28
Assignment	0	%0	Assignments	0	0	0
Attendance	0	%0	Presentation	0	0	0
Practice	0	%0	Mid-terms	1	30	30
Project	0	%0	Practice	0	0	0
Final examination	1	%60	Laboratory	0	0	0
Total		%100	Project	0	0	0
			Final examination	1	50	50
			Total Work Load			150
			ECTS Credit of the Course			5

Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Programme Outcomes										
Contribution: 1: Very Slight 2:Slight 3:Moderate 4:Significant 5:Very Significant										
	P01	P02	P03	P04	P05	P06	P07	P08	P09	
C01	4	5	4	5	4	4	5	5	4	
C02	4	3	5	4	5	4	5	5	5	
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C04	4	5	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	
C05	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	5	