

GEOGRAPHY AND GEOPOLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST

1	Course Title:	GEOGRAPHY AND GEOPOLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST
2	Course Code:	COG6146
3	Type of Course:	Optional
4	Level of Course:	Third Cycle
5	Year of Study:	1
6	Semester:	2
7	ECTS Credits Allocated:	5.00
8	Theoretical (hour/week):	3.00
9	Practice (hour/week):	0.00
10	Laboratory (hour/week):	0
11	Prerequisites:	
12	Language:	Turkish
13	Mode of Delivery:	Face to face
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18	Objective of the Course:	Along with the history of the Middle East, researching, discussing and evaluating political practices and theories related to the geopolitical (geoeconomic and geocultural) counterpart of the area, defined as the Middle East, on the basis of its borders, countries and certain geographical features.
19	Contribution of the Course to Professional Development:	Along with the history of the Middle East, it is active in gaining the practice of reaching, discussing and evaluating political practices and theories related to their geopolitical (geoeconomic and geocultural) counterpart on the basis of the borders, countries and certain geographical features of the area defined as the Middle East.
20	Learning Outcomes:	
	1	To know, criticize and discuss the literature on the concept, emergence and borders of the Middle East.
	2	To be able to evaluate geoeconomic and geocultural dynamics within the Middle East geopolitics.
	3	To be able to evaluate Ibn Khaldun and the concept of "Companions" in understanding the Middle Eastern geoculture.
	4	To have a basic knowledge of the literature on Middle Eastern history and to be able to criticize its content.
	5	To have a wide level of literature knowledge about the Middle East and to be able to evaluate the content.
	6	To have knowledge of the literature about the social and cultural structure of the Middle East and to be able to evaluate the content.
	7	To be able to criticize the literature and information about the basic dynamics that are effective in political structuring in the Middle East.
	8	To be able to criticize the geoeconomic and geocultural foundations of the political structuring in the Middle East in the 19th and 20th centuries.

		9	To be able to criticize the geoeconomic and geocultural foundations of postcolonial political structuring in the Middle East		
		10	To be able to criticize the geoeconomic and geocultural foundations of the political structuring of the BOP and “Arab Spring” process in the Middle East.		
21	Course Content:				
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Week	Theoretical		Practice		
1	The concept of the Middle East, its emergence and the borders of the Middle East.				
2	Is the Middle East as a concept and place a geographical concept? Or is it a political concept?				
3	Geopolitical, geoeconomic and geoculture concepts.				
4	Geoeconomic and geocultural dynamics in the Middle East geopolitics.				
5	Ibn Khaldun and the concept of "Ashabiyet" in understanding the Middle East geoculture.				
6	Major belief systems in the Middle East and their social and political reflections.				
7	The reflection of the racial social structure on the political order in the Middle East.				
Activites			Number	Duration (hour)	Total Work Load (hour)
Theoretical	cultural structure of the Middle East.		14	3.00	42.00
	The main fundamental dynamics influencing				
Practicals/Labs			0	0.00	0.00
Self-study	Geoeconomic and geocultural foundations of		14	7.00	98.00
Homeworks			1	14.00	14.00
Projects	Geoeconomic and geocultural foundations of		0	0.00	0.00
	Field Studies				
Midterm exams	East.		0	0.00	0.00
	Geoeconomic and geocultural criticism of the				
Others			0	0.00	0.00
Final Exams			1	1.00	1.00
Total Work Load					155.00
Total work load/ 30 hr					5.17
ECTS Credit of the Course					5.00

22	Textbooks, References and/or Other Materials:	<p>Sandıklı, A., Çomak, H., vd. (2006). Büyük Ortadoğu Projesi, Yeni Oluşumlar ve Değişen Dengeler. TASAM Yayınları.</p> <p>Fuller, G., E., (2017). Türkiye ve Arap Baharı. Eksi Kitaplar.</p> <p>Demirtaş, E., (2017). Ortadoğu'da Devlet ve İktidar, Otoriter Rejimler Üzerine Bir İnceleme. Metis Yayınları.</p> <p>Bozarslan, H., (2016). Ortadoğu'nun Siyasal Sosyolojisi, Arap İsyanlarından Önce ve Sonra. İletişim Yayınları.</p> <p>Lewis, B., (2017). İnanç ve İktidar, Ortadoğu'da Din ve Siyaset. Akılçelen Kitaplar.</p> <p>Fuller, G. E., Henze, P. B., and Brown, J. F., (1993). Turkey's New Geopolitics. Westview Press.</p> <p>Cleveland, W. L., (2008). Modern Ortadoğu Tarihi. Agora Kitaplığı.</p> <p>Yerasimos, S., (2015). Milliyetler ve Sınırlar, Balkanlar, Kafkasya ve Orta-Doğu. İletişim Yayınları.</p> <p>Barr, J., (2016). Kırmızı Çizgi, Paylaşılamayan Toprakların Yakın Tarihi. Pegasus Yayınları.</p> <p>Harris, W., (2005). Levant/Bir Kültürler Mozaïği. Literatür Yayınları.</p>
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23	Assesment
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TERM LEARNING ACTIVITIES	NUMBER	WEIGHT
Midterm Exam	0	0.00
Quiz	0	0.00
Home work-project	0	0.00
Final Exam	1	100.00
Total	1	100.00
Contribution of Term (Year) Learning Activities to Success Grade		0.00
Contribution of Final Exam to Success Grade		100.00
Total		100.00
Measurement and Evaluation Techniques Used in the Course		written examination

24	ECTS / WORK LOAD TABLE
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ÖK9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ÖK10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LO: Learning Objectives PQ: Program Qualifications																
Contribution Level:	1 very low			2 low			3 Medium			4 High			5 Very High			