

## International Relations Department Main Curriculum – Compulsory Courses

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year / 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>									
S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU101	Introduction to Economics I	C	3	0	0	3	3	4
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to provide students with a basic knowledge and understanding of the main topics of microeconomics. It seeks to develop skills in analyzing economic events, understanding fundamental economic concepts, and linking microeconomic principles to real-world issues. Topics include supply, demand, price determination, production, cost, elasticity, and market structures.								
2	ULU103	International Relations I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces International Relations students to basic knowledge of the field, preparing them for further courses. Topics include: the definition and historical development of International Relations; the international system; globalization; alliances; actors; power and capacity; an overview of IR theories; decision-making and foreign policy; rationality in IR; international disputes; international organizations and integration; terrorism; and the Third World in IR.								
3	ULU105	Introduction to Political Theory I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	The main aim of this course is to help students understand the relationship between International Relations thought and Political Theory in a historical perspective. It discusses the influence of thinkers from Antiquity to the Enlightenment on political theory and modern IR concepts.								
4	ULU107	History of Civilizations I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course explores the origins of early civilizations, focusing on political, social, economic, and religious relations in Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Aegean, the Mediterranean, and classical European and Near Eastern civilizations.								
5	YD1101	Foreign Language I: English I	C	2	0	0	2	2	2
<b>Content:</b>	The aim of this course is to provide students with beginner-level reading, listening, speaking, and writing skills in English. Students will practice expressing themselves verbally and in writing at a basic level. Topics include reading comprehension, critical commentary and discussion, oral communication (individual, pair, and group), official correspondence, essay writing on problems and solutions, presentation preparation, self-introduction, describing one's city, professions, means of transport, and basic vocabulary for everyday communication.								

**1<sup>st</sup> Year / 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

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1	ULU102	Introduction to Economics II	C	3	0	0	3	3	4
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to ensure that students grasp the basic concepts and methodology of macroeconomics. Topics include the science of economics and key macroeconomic issues such as inflation, growth, and unemployment.								
2	ULU104	International Relations II	C	3	0	0	3	3	6
<b>Content:</b>	This course is the continuation of International Relations I. It provides students with fundamental and specific knowledge of international relations and politics. Topics include image vs. reality in IR, realist theory and its critiques, the changing structure of international politics, security and securitization, interdependence, imperialism and structural imperialism, globalization, the concept of just war, foreign policy and crisis, geopolitical theories, and current issues in international relations.								
3	ULU106	History of Civilizations II	C	3	0	0	3	3	6
<b>Content:</b>	This course is a continuation of History of Civilizations I. Its main purpose is to inform students about the evolutionary process of human history and the socio-cultural, economic, political, and scientific developments in European history. It aims to provide students with analytical and comparative reasoning skills to better understand the dynamics of the modern world. Topics include the Middle Ages, classical Greek city-states and civilization, Roman history, and modern civilization history.								
4	ULU108	Introduction to Political Theory II	C	3	0	0	3	3	6
<b>Content:</b>	This course is the continuation of Introduction to Political Theory I. It covers fundamental issues of political philosophy, such as the state, the state-individual relationship, civil society, justice, law, liberty, equality, legitimacy, and participation. Beginning with Machiavelli and moving to recent debates between collectivists and libertarians, the course addresses five paradigms in political thought: absolutism, Marxism, social democracy, liberalism, and conservatism, with contributions from thinkers such as Hobbes, Rousseau, Hegel, Locke, Mill, Hayek, Marx, Lenin, Gramsci, Bernstein, Burke, Hume, and de Maistre.								

**2<sup>nd</sup> Year / 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester**

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1	ULU201	Theories of International Relations I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides an introduction to international relations theory for undergraduate students. It covers major issues (e.g., war, peace, security, cooperation, alienation, dialogue, colonialism), core concepts (e.g., state, sovereignty, power, legitimacy, anarchy, hegemony, identity, difference, discourse, gender, environment/ecology), and key theoretical debates (e.g., rationalism vs. constructivism, positivism vs. post-positivism, cosmopolitanism, universality vs. particularism).								
2	ULU203	Middle East	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides students with knowledge about the political history of the Middle East and examines the region's post-independence challenges and their impacts. The importance of the Middle East in Turkish foreign policy and the policies of major powers are studied within an international law perspective. Topics include: the definition of the Middle East; independence movements; arms embargoes; the fall of the Egyptian monarchy; the Baghdad Pact; the 1956 Suez Crisis; the Eisenhower Doctrine; the 1957 Syria-Lebanon Crisis; the Yemen civil war; the 1967 Arab-Israeli War; water disputes; the 1973 Oil Crisis; the Lebanese civil war; the Iranian Revolution and Iran-Iraq War; the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Palestine issue; the Gulf War; the peace process; the U.S. invasion of Iraq; and the Syrian civil war.								
3	ULU205	Political History I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course addresses the historical developments that constitute the foundation of the discipline of International Relations. It covers the emergence of the modern international system up to the end of World War I. Key topics include the Peace of Westphalia, the Congress of Vienna, and the 19th-century European balance of power; the French Revolution, Napoleonic Wars, the unifications of Italy and Germany, colonialism, and new imperialism. The Ottoman Empire's role, th								

### 2nd Year / 4th Semester

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU202	Theories of International Relations II	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides a general introduction to international relations theory for undergraduate students. It addresses key issues (e.g., war, peace, security, cooperation, alienation, dialogue, colonialism), basic concepts (e.g., state, sovereignty, power, legitimacy, anarchy, hegemony, identity, difference, discourse, gender, environment/ecology), and major theoretical debates (e.g., rationalism vs. constructivism, positivism vs. post-positivism, cosmopolitanism, universality vs. particularism). The course is structured in three parts: (1) explanatory theories such as Realism/Neorealism, Liberalism/Neoliberalism, Marxism, and the English School; (2) post-positivist approaches including Constructivism, Critical Theory, Post-structuralism, Feminism, Green Theory, and Postcolonialism; (3) discussions on ethics and the relationship between the political/social beyond positivist–post-positivist frameworks.								
2	ULU204	Research Methods in Social Sciences	C	3	0	0	3	3	8
<b>Content:</b>	The aim of this course is to teach the basic concepts and knowledge of scientific research methods in International Relations and to develop students' ability to plan and conduct research. It explores philosophical and methodological differences between research approaches and covers planning, implementing, interpreting, and presenting scientific studies.								
3	ULU206	Political History II	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines the major developments in international politics from the end of World War I to the present. Topics include the Treaty of Versailles and the postwar order, the League of Nations, the causes and consequences of World War II, the Cold War era, the bipolar system, regional crises, and decolonization. It also addresses the post-Cold War environment, globalization, regional conflicts, and current global power dynamics. The goal is to understand the transformations in world politics from 1919 to the present and their effects on the international system.								
4	ULU208	Reading and Writing in English	C	2	1	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to provide students with the foundation for proficiency in reading and writing in a foreign language. It covers basic grammar, usage, tenses, common vocabulary and expressions in English, as well as beginner-level reading and writing activities.								
5	ATA102	Atatürk's Principles and History of Revolution II	C	2	0	0	2	2	2
<b>Content:</b>	This course covers the political, social, economic, and cultural developments in Turkey after the foundation of the Republic. It examines Atatürk's domestic and foreign policy practices, the implementation of his principles and reforms, attempts at multi-party politics, Turkey during World War II, and the postwar period. It highlights Atatürk's understanding of the state, modernization vision, and the relevance of the Republic's core values today. The aim is for students to understand the historical development of the Turkish Republic and the contemporary significance of Atatürk's principles.								

**3rd Year / 5th Semester**

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU301	Turkish Foreign Policy I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts and historical development of Turkish foreign policy. It covers the dynamics of foreign policy from the late Ottoman Empire to the establishment of the Republic, the foreign policy orientation of the early Republican era, and Turkey's interaction with the international system. The course also examines Turkey's geopolitical position, security concerns, and the main factors shaping its external relations.								
2	ULU303	International Organizations	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the fundamental concepts of international organizations. It examines their historical development, purposes, functions, and roles in the international system. The course focuses on the structure and impact of major organizations such as the United Nations, NATO, the European Union, and the World Trade Organization on global politics.								
3	ULU305	International Law I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides an introduction to the basic concepts of international law. It covers its historical development, sources, fundamental principles, and functions in the international community. It also examines states' rights and obligations, sovereignty, recognition, and international legal personality.								
4	ULU307	Third World in International Relations	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the concept of the Third World in international relations. It explores the historical development of Third World countries in the post-colonial period, independence struggles, development challenges, and their role in the international system. The course also examines the Non-Aligned Movement during the Cold War, global inequalities, and the contemporary role of the Global South in international relations.								

### 3rd Year / 6th Semester

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU302	Turkish Foreign Policy II	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course is the continuation of Turkish Foreign Policy I. It covers the main dynamics of Turkish foreign policy from the end of World War II to the present. Topics include the Cold War era, NATO membership, relations with the U.S. and the Soviet Union, foreign policy orientations after 1990, and Turkey's strategies within the context of regional and global developments since the 2000s. Current opportunities and challenges in Turkish foreign policy are also discussed.								
2	ULU304	Foreign Policy Analysis	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of foreign policy analysis. It examines decision-making processes, actors, instruments, and the domestic and international factors that shape foreign policy. Different analytical approaches are discussed, and applied evaluations are made using country case studies.								
3	ULU306	International Law II	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course is the continuation of International Law I. It addresses the contemporary areas of application of international law, including treaties, diplomatic and consular relations, the law of the sea, environmental law, and human rights law. It also examines methods of settling international disputes and the functioning of international judicial bodies.								
4	ULU308	International Security	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides an introduction to the fundamental concepts of international security. It covers the historical evolution of the concept of security, changes in security thinking during and after the Cold War, and the military, political, economic, environmental, and human dimensions of security. It also examines international security institutions, strategies, and contemporary threats to global security.								

**4th Year / 7th Semester**

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU401	Diplomatic English I	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to introduce students to the terminology of the International Relations discipline and to train them with a practical approach to diplomatic texts from international daily and academic press. Students are expected to acquire the ability to correctly understand international issues and concepts and to interpret them with a broader perspective by mastering international diplomatic terminology.								
2	ULU403	International Political Economy	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to teach students the basic arguments of theoretical approaches in International Political Economy, including classical, neo-classical, institutionalist, and Marxist perspectives. While examining these approaches, students will learn how world history and the global political and economic order have been shaped, as well as the historical events and conditions that led to unequal and hierarchical structures within this order. The course asserts that the global political order is unequal, not only between countries but also within countries, and even across regions and cities. Another aim is to prepare students for advanced-level (graduate or doctoral) courses in political economy.								

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**4th Year / 8th Semester**

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU402	Diplomatic English II	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to deepen students' knowledge of International Relations terminology and enable them to analyze diplomatic texts from the international daily and academic press within a more academic and diplomatic framework. By mastering international diplomatic terminology, students are expected to develop a stronger ability to analyze and interpret international issues and concepts.								
2	ULU404	Global Environmental Politics	C	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course focuses on international environmental law and politics, a rapidly expanding field over the past 35 years, driven by concerns about large-scale global environmental changes such as climate change, biodiversity loss, deforestation, desertification, environmental migration, marine degradation, and expanding trade and consumption. The course examines the emergence, impacts, and solutions of transboundary environmental problems with a social science-centered approach. It also analyzes key theories addressing international environmental issues and explains contemporary policies that seek to identify global environmental threats in both theoretical and empirical contexts.								

## International Relations Department

### Main Curriculum – Elective Courses

#### 2nd Year / 3rd Semester

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU211	Ottoman Diplomatic History	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course builds upon the fundamental knowledge gained in Diplomatic History I and II, focusing on the political structure and diplomatic relations of the Ottoman Empire. Students learn about the Empire's foundation, expansion, stagnation, and decline, analyzing the causes, processes, and outcomes of each period. The Ottoman political system and diplomacy are examined comparatively, with emphasis on their impact on the establishment of the Turkish Republic and their legacy today.								
2	ULU213	European Union – Turkish Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course explores the origins and formation of the European Union (EU), its institutional structure, European identity, enlargement processes, and external relations. It examines the EU's customs union, common foreign and security policy (Maastricht, Amsterdam, and Nice Treaties), Eastern enlargement, and relations with NATO, the U.S., Russia, and China. The historical development of EU-Turkey relations is studied, including association agreements, Turkey's application for membership, candidacy, accession negotiations, challenges, and the future of the EU.								
3	ULU215	German Foreign Policy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines Germany's role in world politics. Topics include the debate on <i>Leitkultur</i> , German national unification, Germany after World War I and II, the stages of Federal Germany's foreign policy, cultural diplomacy, human rights policy, and relations with the Third World. It also addresses Germany's position in the EU, migration issues, and Turkish-German relations.								
4	ULU217	International Human Rights	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	Students gain knowledge about the concept and classification of human rights, intellectual developments in human rights and freedoms, and the evolution of human rights in positive law. Topics include the relationship between international and domestic law, limitations on rights and freedoms, provisions of the 1982 Turkish Constitution, human rights under the UN, the Council of Europe, the European Court of Human Rights, and human rights within the EU.								
5	ULU219	Academic Turkish	E	3	0	0	3	3	5

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to improve international students' proficiency in Turkish through academic and applied activities. It develops listening, reading, speaking, and writing skills, academic vocabulary, and comprehension of visual and auditory Turkish materials. Students practice academic writing (theses, articles, reports, presentations), scientific reading and interpretation, and oral presentations. They also analyze and interpret Turkish films, plays, and other cultural works.								
6	ULU221	US Foreign Policy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines the historical development and contemporary reflections of U.S. foreign policy. Topics include the principles and institutions of U.S. foreign policy, early relations, the Monroe Doctrine, 19th-century expansionism, U.S. strategies during World Wars I and II, the Cold War (Truman Doctrine, containment, Vietnam War, détente), U.S. global role since the 1980s, post-9/11 security policies, relations with the Middle East, Europe, Russia, China, NATO, and current foreign policy issues.								
7	ULU223	History of Turkish Economics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines Turkey's economic development from the late Ottoman Empire to the present. Topics include structural problems in agriculture, trade, and industry; Tanzimat reforms; World War I impacts; Republican-era state policies, infrastructure, development plans, debt and inflation policies; post-1950 liberalization; import-substitution industrialization; agricultural transformation; crises of the 1970s and 1980s; globalization and neoliberal policies; EU integration; the 2001 financial crisis; and recent reforms. Students gain an understanding of the turning points in Turkey's economic history and the societal effects of policy choices.								

### 2nd Year / 4th Semester

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU210	The Balkans	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines the historical, cultural, political, and economic transformations of the Balkans from the Ottoman Empire to the present. It begins with the region's structure, ethnic and religious diversity, and status within the Empire; then covers the rise of nationalism, the Balkan Wars, and the impact of World War I. Subsequent topics include the interwar years, the establishment of Yugoslavia after World War II, the effects of the Cold War, the collapse of communist regimes, and ethnic conflicts. The course also addresses democratization, EU integration, border changes, economic transitions, and the current relations of Balkan countries with the EU, as well as peace and integration efforts in the region.								
2	ULU212	Turkish Political Life	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course analyzes the political development of the Republic of Turkey from the early 20th century to the present. It covers the proclamation of the Republic, the single-party era, Atatürk's reforms, and the establishment of political institutions. Later weeks discuss the transition to multi-party politics, the Democrat Party period, and the 1960 coup. The 1970s and 1980s are examined through political instability, military interventions, and constitutional changes. The post-1980 period includes economic and political reforms, the Özal era, party politics, and coalition governments. The course concludes with the 1990s and 2000s, focusing on the rise of the AK Party, democratization, civil-military relations, constitutional debates, and current political developments.								
3	ULU214	Statistics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	Measures of central tendency and variability, skewness and kurtosis, probability theory, discrete and continuous probability distributions, sampling distributions, point and interval estimation, hypothesis testing, analysis of variance (ANOVA), and chi-square goodness-of-fit tests.								
4	ULU216	Constitutional Law	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the concept of constitution and constitutionalism, the notion of constituent power and its methods of emergence and use, constitutional jurisdiction and models, elements and types of state, separation of powers and systems of government, and general principles of fundamental rights.								
5	ULU218	Geopolitics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	Students learn basic concepts such as geopolitics, geostrategy, strategy, and political geography, as well as the relationship between geography, politics, and space. The course covers the historical development of geopolitics, Rudolf Kjellén's state theory, classical and modern geopolitical theories, and post-World War II approaches from Western, Turkish, and Russian perspectives. It also addresses the geopolitical structuring of the world, new world order debates, and critical geopolitics. Students analyze different models of geopolitics to evaluate state strategies and global power balances.								
6	ULU220	Addiction and Combating Addiction	E	2	0	0	2	2	5

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
<b>Content:</b>	This course covers the concepts of addiction and methods of combating it. Topics include the positive and negative effects of technology, internet, gaming, smartphone and social media addiction, and cyberbullying—its types, prevalence, and related research. It also emphasizes awareness-raising and coping strategies for students, families, and teachers.								

**3rd Year / 5th Semester**

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU309	European Security and Defense Policy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of the European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP). It covers the historical development of the ESDP, the institutionalization of the EU in security and defense, its relationship with NATO, and its transformation into the Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP) after the Lisbon Treaty. The course also examines the EU's crisis management, peacekeeping, and strategic autonomy efforts.								
2	ULU311	Turkish-US Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides an introduction to the main dynamics of Turkish-US relations. It analyzes their historical development, political, economic, and military dimensions, transformations during and after the Cold War, and current challenges and cooperation areas. The impact of bilateral relations on the international system is also evaluated.								
3	ULU313	Public Diplomacy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of public diplomacy. It covers its historical development, objectives, tools, and methods. Emphasis is placed on states' strategies for managing international image and perception, as well as cultural diplomacy and the use of media.								
4	ULU315	Society and Politics in Central Asia	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides an introduction to the social and political structures of Central Asia. It examines the region's historical background, Soviet legacy, and post-independence state-building processes. Authoritarian tendencies, ethnic and religious identities, energy politics, and the role of the region in international relations are also discussed.								
5	ULU317	Political Philosophy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of political philosophy. It covers the historical development of political thought and explores concepts such as state, freedom, justice, equality, and power. Classical, modern, and contemporary political philosophers and their influence on current debates are discussed.								
6	ULU319	State, Society and Diplomacy in Turkey	E	3	0	0	3	3	5

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the relationship between state, society, and diplomacy in Turkey. It explores the transformation of state–society relations from the Ottoman Empire to the Republic, Turkey’s diplomatic tradition, and foreign policy-making process. The interaction between domestic politics and foreign policy, as well as Turkey’s current international position, are also examined.								
7	ULU321	Volunteering Studies	E	1	2	0	3	2	4
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of volunteering. It covers its historical development, individual and societal functions, organizational forms, and methods of volunteering. The importance of volunteering in civil society, social responsibility, and solidarity is emphasized.								
8	ULU323	Modernity and International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the concept of modernity and its reflections in international relations. It examines the historical development of modernity, its relation to the state system, sovereignty, rationality, and progress. The impact of modernity on globalization, identity, the nation-state, and the international order is also analyzed.								
9	ULU325	Climate Change and Environmental Policies	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of climate change and environmental policies. It covers the causes and consequences of climate change, the relationship between environmental issues and global politics, sustainable development, and green energy policies. It also examines international environmental regimes, agreements, and state policies.								

### 3rd Year / 6th Semester

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU310	Conflict and Negotiation in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of conflict and resolution in international relations. It covers the causes and types of conflicts and their implications in the international system. Conflict resolution methods, negotiation, mediation, and peacebuilding are also analyzed through historical and contemporary case studies.								
2	ULU312	Administrative Law	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the fundamental concepts of administrative law. It examines the structure and functioning of administration, its duties and powers, administrative liability, and administrative acts. Administrative jurisdiction, judicial review mechanisms, and the relationship between law and administration are also covered.								
3	ULU314	Minorities and Nationalism	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of minorities and nationalism. It explores the historical development of nationalism, different types of nationalism, the concept of minorities, and minority rights in international law. Ethnic conflicts, identity politics, and the effects of nationalism and minority issues on international relations are also discussed.								
4	ULU318	Caucasus in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the importance of the Caucasus in international relations. It covers the region's historical background, ethnic and religious diversity, energy resources, and geopolitical significance. Conflicts in the region, the policies of great powers, and the role of the Caucasus in the international system today are also analyzed.								
5	ULU322	Economic Crises	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of economic crises. It covers their historical development, causes, types, and effects at the national and global levels. Major examples of economic crises are examined, and policies for preventing and managing crises are discussed.								
6	ULU324	Contemporary State System	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the basic concepts of contemporary state systems. It covers the historical development of the modern state, different forms of government, democratic and authoritarian regimes, and the political, economic, and social functions of the state. The transformation of the state in the globalization process and its place in the international system are also analyzed.								

**4th Year / 7th Semester**

S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU405	International Economics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course aims to inform students about international trade theories and major trade policies. Topics include absolute and comparative advantage, the Heckscher-Ohlin model, market structure and foreign trade, trade and growth, and the political economy of trade policies. The objective is to enhance students' knowledge and understanding of political economy.								
2	ULU407	Negotiation in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	The course focuses on the significance and methods of negotiation processes in international relations. While diplomacy is at the center, topics include diplomatic negotiations, negotiation methods, international relations theories (realism-liberalism), factors influencing negotiations, power and negotiation, global actors and negotiations, significant negotiation processes in world political history, and major negotiations in Turkish history. The aim is to demonstrate that international relations are not only about war and conflict but also about peaceful resolution and diplomatic practice.								
3	ULU409	Gender Studies in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course theoretically examines gender and related contemporary issues with a focus on the principle of equality and prohibition of discrimination. Students are encouraged to follow gender equality initiatives in Turkey and the world, evaluate social life from an egalitarian perspective, and develop equality-based behaviors.								
4	ULU411	Civil Law	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides students with an understanding of the introductory provisions of the Civil Code, fundamental legal concepts, and basic notions in personal and family law. By the end, students will be able to list and explain the significance of the Civil Code's introductory provisions.								
5	ULU413	Africa in World Politics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course seeks to convey accurate knowledge about Africa's history, colonial legacy, post-colonial period, and Turkey-Africa relations, highlighting Africa's growing importance in world politics and the discipline of International Relations. The aim is to raise awareness of Africa as a rising region that had long been neglected.								
6	ULU415	Current International Problems	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	The aim is to enable students to analyze contemporary global issues in international politics. The course emphasizes that the anarchic world system is marked by crises and chaos, thereby deepening students' understanding of global politics and providing knowledge of current crises.								

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7	ULU417	Critical Security Studies	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines critical approaches in security studies, which challenge mainstream theories in social sciences. It discusses their philosophical and social science roots, main assumptions, and alternative explanations of contemporary security issues. The emergence of critical security approaches and their place within International Relations theory are also addressed.								
8	ULU419	Turkish Economics	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course explores structural changes in the Turkish economy from a historical perspective. It analyzes Turkey's economic history, transformation processes, challenges, potential, and future developments. Students will learn to conduct political economy analysis of Turkey's economic indicators and policies.								
9	ULU421	International Marketing	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces international marketing concepts. It examines macro-environmental factors affecting marketing strategies, market research, segmentation, targeting, and positioning. Students will learn strategies for entering international markets and making decisions regarding the international marketing mix.								
10	ULU423	International Political Communication	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	The course provides students with theoretical, conceptual, and historical understanding of political communication and campaigns. It covers political participation, democracy, and debate culture, as well as major changes in political communication processes in Turkey and worldwide.								
11	ULU425	Political Psychology	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines the psychological and psychoanalytical dimensions of politics. Topics include the modern subject, the role of individuals, leaders, and masses in politics, critiques of culture, authority, and obedience, as well as issues of violence, hate speech, and deception in politics.								
12	ULU427	Green Political Thought	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the main concepts and questions of green political thought. It aims to enhance students' critical thinking on ecological, ethical, and political issues that increasingly affect societies and individuals.								

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S/N	Course Code	Course Title	C/E	T	P	L	TH	CR	ECTS
1	ULU406	Energy Security	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the concept of energy security, which intersects with multiple security sectors (military, political, economic, environmental). It examines energy issues as a rising topic in 21st-century international relations, covering post-Cold War international system, energy types, fossil and nuclear fuels, state competition, and the growing importance of renewable energy.								
2	ULU408	Migration in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course explores international migration, the impact of population movements on states' foreign policies, and international organizations' approaches. Migration theories, remigration, refugee and asylum concepts, source/transit/target countries, and Turkey-EU migration relations are analyzed.								
3	ULU410	Religion and International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course examines the role of religion in international relations across history. Topics include religion before and after the Westphalian order, religion in major world orders (Vienna, Versailles, Yalta), its place in IR theories, and its role in foreign policy as a source of legitimacy or conflict. The impact of religion on world politics after 9/11 is also discussed.								
4	ULU412	Law of Obligations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the general provisions of the Law of Obligations. Students learn its principles, key concepts, importance, systematic nature, and relationship with other fields of law.								
5	ULU414	Cybersecurity in International Relations	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the concept of cybersecurity in international relations. It examines cyberspace, cyber deterrence, cyber terrorism, cyberattacks, realism and liberalism perspectives, international law, and case studies in cybersecurity.								
6	ULU416	Diplomacy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course conceptualizes diplomacy's role in international relations in terms of continuity, change, and transformation. It covers diplomacy theory, state-diplomacy relations, historical cycles of diplomatic representation, negotiation, mediation, conventional/unconventional diplomacy, and summit diplomacy.								
7	ULU420	International Finance	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the international financial system, including currency markets, credit and investment operations, virtual markets, and international financial institutions. It also covers monetary policies, global financial crises, and political economy perspectives on financial wars.								

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8	ULU422	British Foreign Policy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course provides students with knowledge of the UK's foreign policy, its historical background, institutions, and global role. Topics include the British Empire, decolonization, Commonwealth, Cold War, and the foreign policies of leaders from Thatcher to Boris Johnson.								
9	ULU424	Russian Foreign Policy	E	3	0	0	3	3	5
<b>Content:</b>	This course introduces the parameters of Russian foreign policy and its relations with other states. It covers Russia's relations with Central Asia, China, Europe, the USA, and NATO, enabling students to analyze Russia's regional and global strategies.								