

ÇAĞ UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF LAW

Code	Course Title	Credit	ECTS
LAW 447	Political Psychology	(2-0)2	4
Prerequisites			
Language of Instruction	English	Mode of Delivery	Face to face/Online
Type and Level of Course	Elective/4.Year/Fall Semester		
Lecturers	Name(s)	Lecture Hours	Office Hours Contacts
Course Coordinator	Ayşe Şenay Koç, PhD		aysesenaykoc@cag.edu.tr
Others			
Course Objective	The aim of this course is to introduce students the historical and contemporary perspectives in political psychology. As a sub-discipline linking political science and psychology, a comprehensive understanding of political psychology requires theoretical and methodological diversity. Most of the readings in this course will be from political science as well as social and cognitive psychology.		
Learning Outcomes of the Course		Students who have completed the course successfully should be able to	Relationship
			Prog. Output Net Effect
	1	Learn the basic principles of political psychology	5 5
	2	Learn more about research methods used in the field	2 & 3 3 & 5
	3	Explain emotions and their effects on political behavior	2 & 3 3 & 5
	4	Evaluate the influence of the media on political behavior	2 & 3 & 7 3 & 5 & 9
	5	Learn the determinants of terrorism	5 & 11 3 & 5
	6	Explain how social networks emerge and how they affect individual behavior.	7 & 11 5 & 9
	7	Understand the individual and psychological underpinnings of current populist movements	5 & 9 3 & 5
Course Description: Political psychology, with an interdisciplinary approach; combines political issues with psychological insights, as well as examining how political contexts affect people's behaviors.			
Course Contents:(Weekly Lecture Plan)			
Wee ks	Topics	Preparation	Teaching Methods
1	Examining the course content	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
2	Introduction to Political Psychology	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
3	Personality and Politics	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
4	Cognition, Social Identity, Emotions and Attitudes in Political Psychology	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
5	Political Psychology of Groups	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
6	Examining Political Leaders	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
7	Voting Behavior, the Role of the Media and Tolerance	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
8	MIDTERM		
9	Political Psychology of Races	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
10	From Ethnic Conflict to Genocide	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
11	The Political Psychology of Nationalism	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
12	The Political Psychology of Terrorism	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion
13	The Political Psychology of International Security and Conflict	Notes & Slides	Lecturing and discussion

REFERENCES

Recommended Reading	<p>Martha L. Cottam, Beth Dietz-Uhler, Elena Mastors, Thomas Preston (2017). Introduction to Political Psychology, 3rd edition, Taylor & Francis.</p> <p>David Patrick Houghton (2009), Political Psychology: Situations, Individuals, and Cases. Routledge.</p> <p>Travmaların Gölgesinde Politik Psikoloji (2020). Deniz Ülke Arıboğan (Ed.), İnkılap Kitabevi: İstanbul.</p>
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ASSESSMENT METHODS

Activities	Number	Effect	Notes
Midterm Exam	1	40%	
Final Exam	1	60%	

ECTS TABLE

Contents	Number	Hours	Total
Hours in Classroom	14	2	28
Hours out Classroom	14	4	56
Midterm Exam	1	16	16
Final Exam	1	20	20
Total			120
Total / 30			120/30=4
ECTS Credit			4

RECENT PERFORMANCE