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The MA and PhD programs in Political Science train students for future careers in research and teaching as well as non-academic professions in international organizations, think-tanks and political research centers, business world, journalism and government. Faculty members are recognized experts in their areas of expertise and specialization. Along with a broad understanding of the discipline of political science, the program provides specialized expertise in one or more specialized areas (Political Theory, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Turkish Politics), and competence in research methods and techniques.

**FACULTY**

Ahmet Evin (Emeritus Professor)  
EU Integration; Theories of State  
Arzu Kıbrıs  
Game Theory; International Conflict and Violence  
Ayse Betul Celik  
Ethnity; Conflict Resolution  
Ayse Kadoglu  
Comparative Politics; Citizenship Studies  
Brooke Luetgert  
Comparative Legislative Research; European Integration  
Bülent Aras  
Turkish Foreign Policy; International Relations; Middle East; Central Asia; Caucasus; Conflict Resolution; Terrorism and Political Violence  
Emre Hatipoglu  
Quantitative Research Methods; Foreign Policy  
Enin Kalyacoglu  
Comparative Politics; Turkish Politics  
Faik Kurtulmuş  
Political Philosophy; Social Epistemology  
Fuat Keyman  
Nationalism; Democracy; Citizenship; Turkish Politics  
Işık Özel  
International Political Economy; Comparative Politics  
Korel Göymen (Emeritus Professor)  
Local and Regional Governance; Local Politics  
Meltem Müftüler-Baç  
International Relations Theory; Politics of European Integration  
Nedim Nomer  
Political Theory; Legal Theory  
Özge Kemahlıoğlu  
Formal Modelling; Comparative Politics  

**VISITING FACULTY**

Kerim Can Kavaklı  
International Security; International Political Economy; Domestic–International Linkages; Turkish Foreign Policy  

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

Our students regularly present papers in, among others, such conferences:  
Annual Conference of The European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)  
Annual Conference of The International Studies Association  
Annual Meeting of The Middle East Studies Association  
Annual Conference of The Midwest Political Science Association  
World Association of Political Opinion Research Conference  

Recent publications by our students include:

- Osman Zeki Gökok  
  “Twitter and Politics: Identifying Turkish Opinion Leaders in New Social Media” (with Enrie Hatipoglu, Gökhan Göktürk, Brooke Luetgert, Yücel Saygın), Turkish Studies, Vol.15, No.4, December 2014, 671-688 (SSCI)

- Onur Sazak  
  “Turkey and Iran: The Two Modes of Engagement in the Middle East” (with Fuat Keyman), Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies, Vol.27, No.3, August 2015, 321-336

- Policies and Role of Turkey on Peacebuilding (with Auneen Wood), Washington, DC: American University and Istanbul Policy Center, October 2015

- Damla Cihanbir-Tetik  
  “The Impact of EU’s FTAs for Turkey: FTA with South Korea and the Automotive Industry” (with Selen Akses), The EU’s Expanding Trade Policy: “The Impact of EU’s FTAs for Turkey: FTA with South Korea and the Automotive Industry” (with Selen Akses), The EU’s Expanding Trade Policy: Challenges for the Customs Union with Turkey, Canan Balkır, Sait Akman and Jan Olibe (eds.), Brill Publishing, 2016 (forthcoming)

**PUBLICATIONS**

Our faculty members have published numerous books in the US, UK and Turkey. The academic journals in which the articles of our faculty members have appeared include:


**SELECTED RECENT FACULTY AWARDS, GRANTS and PROJECTS**

Meltem Müftüler-Baç, Affiliated Professor, University of Stockholm, 2013-2016

Özge Kemahlıoğlu, Science Academy Young Scientist Award, 2015

Exposure to Political Violence and Individual Behavior, funding: European Research Council, ERC Starting Grant, 2013-2020, Arzu Kıbrıs


Ayşe Kadıoğlu  
Turkey in Asia, funding: Sasakawa Peace Foundation, 2015-2018, Bülent Aras and Fuat Keyman

Panel Field Survey on Voting Behavior in “Repeat Legislative Elections” of Turkey, funding: Sabancı University, October 2015, Ersin Kalyacoglu

Epistemic Justice: The Production and Distribution of Knowledge as a Matter of Justice, funding: TÜBİTAK 3501, 2013-2015, Faik Kurtulmuş

Europeanization beyond Europe, European Neighborhood Policy and Regulatory Reforms, funding: TÜBİTAK 2219, 2015, Işık Özel

Assessing Interdependence among the European Union and Turkey: Policies and Cooperation in Regional and Global Governance, funding: TÜBİTAK joint project with Jan Wouters, KU Leuven), 2016-2017, Meltem Müftüler-Baç

Interparliamentary Cooperation and the EU’s External Action (PACO), funding: Jean Monnet Network, 2014-2017, Meltem Müftüler-Baç