



DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Graduate Programs Thesis Subjects and Advisor Information for the Prospective Students to be admitted in the Spring Semester of 2021-2022

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Aylin GÜNEY, Prof. (PhD)	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	2
	Research Fields	European union, Turkish-American relations, Turkish political history						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Field of specialization: European Union, Turkish Political History, Democratization, Turkish-American Relations, Cyprus and Mediterranean Politics						

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Emre İŞERİ, Prof. (PhD)	3	-	-	5 (from different institutions)	-	23	12	2
	Research Fields	International political economy, energy politics, political communication, Turkish foreign policy						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Global Energy Transitions, Energy Governance, (Geo)Politics of Energy, the Energy-Environment Nexus						
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Global Power Shift, Eurasian politics, Turkey's foreign (economic) policy						
	MA Subject Proposal 3	Political Communication, Political Economy of Media, Politics and the Mass Media						
	Background Preferences related with the Candidates -if any-	Completing of the following courses: research methods in social sciences and relevant courses on the subject they intend to write their thesis.						
	Ongoing Projects Supervised or Ongoing projects involved in as a researcher And scholar opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EUMENIA Jean Monnet Network Project (Coordinator at Yaşar University) - Yaşar University supported research project (BAP091) "Foreign Policy Populism and the News Media: The Case of Turkish Military Operations towards Syria" (Coordinator) - Yaşar University supported research project "When Polarized Media System Meets Pandemic: Mediated Pandemic Populism over COVID-19 Fundraising Campaigns in Turkey" (Researcher) 						

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Nazif MANDACI, Prof. (PhD)	2	-	-	17	6	21	7	2
	Research Fields	International politics, contemporary Balkan politics, conflict analysis and resolution, nationalism and ethnic conflicts, Turkish foreign policy						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Radicalization and Authoritarianism in the Southeast Europe (MA)						
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Post-conflict peacebuilding in Southeast Europe (political and institutional dimensions), political integration of minorities (MA)						
	MA Subject Proposal 3	Turkey- Southeast Europe Relations, interregional relations, regionalization (MA)						
	Background Preferences related with the Candidates -if any-	Students of International Relations and Political Science						

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Ayselin YILDIZ, Assoc. Prof. (PhD)	3	-	-	2	-	12	8	1
	Research Fields	Migration and asylum policies, irregular migration, border management and readmission processes, migrant smuggling and human trafficking, internationalization of higher education						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	The role of human smuggling in shaping migration						
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Cities as the driver of migration, city corridors, cosmopolitanism						
	MA Subject Proposal 3	The role of NGOs in human trafficking						
	MA Subject Proposal 4	Internationalization of higher education, recognition of previous degrees and qualifications						

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Defne GÜNAY, Assoc. Prof. (PhD)	2	-	-	2	-	13	10	1
	Research Fields	EU foreign policy, EU climate change policy, climate change policies and politics, climate change communication						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Climate change policies, politics and communication						

	MA Subject Proposal 2	European Union foreign policy, EU external climate change policy
	MA Subject Proposal 3	EU climate change policy
	MA Subject Proposal 4	Climate change in EU-Turkey relations
	MA Subject Proposal 5	Political economy of climate mitigation and adaptation

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Gökay ÖZERİM, Assoc. Prof. (PhD)	3	-	1 (Co-advisor, from different institution)	3 (2 from different departments)	-	15	11	1
	Research Fields	International migration, European Union, security studies, youth studies						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Young Refugees and Civil Society						
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Analysis of Turkey-EU Relations and/or its Different Dimensions within the Framework of Security Theories						
	MA Subject Proposal 3	Vulnerable Groups in International Relations						
	Background Preferences related with the Candidates -if any-	Having willingness to do interdisciplinary research and field study by using different methodologies						
	Ongoing Projects Supervised or Ongoing projects involved in as a researcher And scholar opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jean Monnet Chair on Multifaceted Approaches to Migration in the EU and Turkey (Coordinator) - “Linking Research and Innovation for Gender Equality”, European Union Horizon 2020 Project, (Institutional coordinator) - “EU-Middle East Network in Action”, European Union Jean Monnet Project, (Researcher) - “Drylands Facing Change: Interdisciplinary Research on Climate Change and Food Insecurity, Political Instability”, European Union COST Action Project, (Member of the Board of Directors & Researcher) <p>* Although the above-mentioned projects do not have enough budget to employ students permanently, there may be a need for graduate students who can work part-time for different activities and work packages within the framework of project.</p>						

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	3	-	-	1	-	5	2	2

Dilaver Arıkan AÇAR, Assist. Prof. (PhD)	Research Fields	Foreign policies, Euro-Atlantic integration processes, transition politics, political economy of the Balkan states
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Politics of Energy and International Relations
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Regional Politics and Foreign Policy Analysis
	MA Subject Proposal 3	International Security, International Organizations and Global Governance
Background Preferences related with the Candidates -if any-	Avid interest in historical and current developments in International Relations as well as questioning and critical mind.	

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Elif ÇETİN, Assist.Prof. (PhD)	5	-	-	-	-	3	3	1
	Research Fields	Migration policy-making processes, migration in the Euro-Mediterranean space, political discourse analysis, EU-Turkey relations and migration						
	MA Subject Proposal 1	Politicisation and securitisation of migration						
	MA Subject Proposal 2	Migration Dynamics in the Euro-Mediterranean Space						
	MA Subject Proposal 3	The role of migration in the EU-Turkey relations						
	Background Preferences related with the Candidates -if any-	Having interest and willingness to migration studies						
Ongoing Projects Supervised or Ongoing projects involved in as a researcher And scholar opportunities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Multifaceted Approaches to Migration in the EU and Turkey”, European Union (Lecturer) [Coordinator: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Mehmet Gökay Özerim]; Starting date: 01/09/2019 (Ongoing) (International) 2. “Migration-Security Nexus in the EU”, European Union, (Lecturer) [Coordinator: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Mehmet Gökay Özerim]; 01/09/2016- 30/08/2019 (International) 3. “RESPOND: Multilevel Governance of Mass Migration in Europe and Beyond”, H2020, (Researcher); Starting date: 01/12/2017 (Ongoing) (International) 4. “The relevance of Catholic Social Thought and practice in the field of migration and asylum policy in the UK”, (Researcher), Charles Plater Trust; 07/07/2015 -07/07/2017 (International) 5. “Understanding faith in migrants’ lives: Challenges and opportunities for social cohesion in an increasingly diverse Europe”, (Researcher), Cambridge Migration Research Network (CMMIGRES), University of Cambridge, 07/07/2014 - 07/07/2015 (International) 							