This course is designed to prove students with an in depth study of political development literature with a focus on modern Turkey. We will examine the role of political parties in Turkey’s political development, electoral politics, economic development, and the changing dynamics of domestic political scene in modern Turkey. Finally, we will examine challenges facing modern Turkey in the post-Cold War era and evaluate the impact of interest group politics on Turkish foreign policy-making.

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. An act of academic dishonesty (e.g., cheating, plagiarism, and unauthorized possession of examinations) will automatically result in a grade of “F” for the affected assignment and the case will be referred to university authorities.

Readings:
There is one book available for purchase. The instructor will provide additional readings as noted each week. These are available on my web page under PS 460 (http://web.pdx.edu/~yesilada)


Additional readings from edited books, journal articles, and reports will be provided by the instructor.

Assignments and Grading Policy:
There will be a midterm examination (30 percent of class grade), a term paper (30 percent of class grade) and a comprehensive final examination (40 percent of class grade). Graduate students will have additional reading assignments and a separate set of examinations.
Readings:

Week 1 (March 30): Introduction
Kalaycıoğlu, Ch. 1-2
Dankwart Rustow “The Army and the Founding of the Turkish Republic” World Politics Vol 11, no. 4 (July 1959):513-552.
National Geographic Magazine (January 1929) “Turkey Goes to School.”

Weeks 2-5 (April 6 – 27): Political development
Kalaycıoğlu, Chs. 3-7
Mark Tessler and Ebru Altınoğlu “Political Culture in Turkey” Democratization vol 11 no. 1 (February 2004): 22-51

(MIDTERM EXAMINATION ON May 4th IN CLASS – first hour)

Weeks 6-7 (May 4 - 11): Recent Economic developments
Financial Times (December 1, 2008) “Investing in Turkey.”
Weeks 8-10 (May 18 – June 1): Foreign Affairs


Birol Yesilada “The role of the EU in the democratization of Turkey & some other unexpected issues” Posted By info@re-public On 13th November 2008.


Independent Commission on Turkey (2004). *Turkey in Europe: More Than a Promise.*


Assignments and Examinations:

Term paper dues on June 1st.

Mid Term examination – May 4th, in class during the first hour.

Final examination (in class), Wednesday June 10th, 12:30 – 14:20pm in class.