Information of Local Governments and Governance Graduate Program

1. Program Description

Foundation: Graduate program of Local Governments and Governance (thesis/non-thesis) which established under the department of Public Administration within the Institute of Social Sciences will begin accepting students in the academic year 2014-2015.

Purpose: Ensure to improving and deepening information level of expertise about the Local Governments and Governance area. Also, trainings and executed program allows to understand interdisciplinary interaction. Discuss, present, and express himself as a professional and academic in a study requiring expertise on Local Government and Governance in an intellectual framework is another important dimension of the program.

Target: Interdisciplinary work with the intellectual framework should take place to train experts in the academic field as well as in public institutions in the field of Local Governments and Governance.

Qualification: Students will have a Master's degree in Local Government and Governance area when the program is successfully completed and requirements are met.

Level of Qualification: Graduate

Registration and Admission: Candidates graduated from Public Administration, Political Science and Public Administration, Political Science, International Relations, Political Science and International Relations and the Law department can directly start the program in dormitory higher education institutions with 4-year bachelor's degree, however there is preparatory program for students who have graduated from other departments.

- Candidates who graduated from YÖK equivalent and relevant international institutions of higher education may apply to the Local Government and Governance Graduate Program.
- ALES score of candidates for the Master's program must be a minimum 55 points that Yeditepe University Institute of Social Sciences accept any type of score.
- In the non-thesis program, ALES is not required by the decision of the Council of Higher Education.

- The program language is English. A necessity to succeed in the English Proficiency Examination held by the Yeditepe University. Or ÜDS, KPDS or YDS is 66, TOEFL is 79, IELTS is 5.5 points necessary to have, entered in the last two years.
- English language proficiency exam, includes Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced English programs. Successful candidates at the placement test are exempted from the English Preparatory Program and begin to direct the course. Candidates who are not successful, they complete the degree program by attending one of these three stages.

Qualification Requirements and Regulation

In the Local Government and Governance Master Program, course requirements must be completed, 60 ECTS for thesis and 72 ECTS for non-thesis program. The student must have an average weight of at least 2.00 out of 4.00 is required qualitication for graduation.

Thesis and non-thesis program conditions are as follows:

Thesis: Master's Degree program with thesis; totally consist 4 semesters including 2 semesters continued lessons and 2 semerters thesis lesson. Local Government and Governance Master's program (with thesis) consist of not less than 24 credits at least eight (8) courses, seminars and two periods thesis course. Non-credit seminar course, is considered successful or unsuccessful. Students in the semester of the seminar was taken to register for this course and at the end of the semester must submit a final project report. Students in *Political Science and International Relations Master of Science and Public Administration Degree Program* taking maximum 2 lessons from 3 credits which head of the department find appropriate can replace Local Government and Governance Master of Science (Thesis) electives in their program.

Non-thesis: Master Degree program with non-thesis; totally consist 3 semesters including 2 semesters continued lessons and 1 semerter graduation project. Local Government and Governance Master of Science (non-thesis) program consist of 10 lessons required not less than 30 credits and graduation project (1) lesson. Master Graduation Project is a non-credit course, is considered successful or unsuccessful. Students in the semester in which the course is taken of the Graduation Project to register for this course and at the end of the semester must submit a final project report. Students of *Political Science and International Relations Master of Science and Public Administration Degree Program* taking maximum 2 lessons from 3 credits which head of the department find appropriate can replace Local Government and Governance Master of Science (non-thesis) electives in their program.

Program Profile

Local Government and Governance Master program is opened for the first time at our university within the framework of the evolving needs of our country. This program examines the local authorities due to the content. Local development policies, urban sociology, quickly spread transparency in the world with urban policy and environmental policy, based on accountability and participation principles envisages a more dynamic public structure governance concepts will be discussed in detail unlike the other master programs. Local Government and Governance Graduate Program is collaborating with especially Law, Political Science and International Relations, Economics, and so on.

Employment and Profiles of Graduates

The program is newly opened, did not graduate.

Passing to Top Degree Programs

Local Administration and Governance Master Program currently have not top degree programs.

Exams, Assesment and Evaluation

There are final exams immediately following the end of each semester, usually within two weeks after end of the semester. Besides a mid-term or project work can be done. Detailed information about the exams, assesment and evaluation and exam types conditions takes place separately for each course in "Teaching Plan".

Graduation Requirements

Just as described in the rules and qualification conditions.

Manner of Work (Full-time, e-learning)

Full-time

Address and Contact Information (Master program coordinator of; ECTS / DS Coordinator)

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Facilities of Department

In Local Government and Governance Master Program which is consisting in Department of Public Administration, there is a professor, three assistant professors, and three project assistants. In addition, at the Public Administration Department, two professors, one associate professor, three assistant professors, and three lecturers teaches part-time basis.

Teaching and Learning Methods

Teaching and learning methods and strategies are chosen to improve the student's skills such as self-learning, life-long learning, and observation, teaching others, presentation, critical thinking, team working and IT. Also, to achieve a better learning with students having different learning styles, the program is supported by convenient methodologies given below.

(*)Depending on the course specifications, one or more teaching and learning methods might be implemented.

Teaching& Learning Methods	Major Learning Activities	Tools
Lecture	Listening and interpretation	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Lecture with Discussion	Listening and interpretation, Observation/manipulation situations, critical thinking, question posing	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Problem Solving	Specific predetermined skill	
Brainstorming	Observation/manipulation situations, critical thinking, question posing, creative teamwork	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Small Group Discussions	Listening and interpretation, Observation/manipulation situations, critical thinking, question posing	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Presentation	Listening, explanation, observation/operate situation	Real or virtual area which has presentation oppourtunity
Seminars	Research skills, writing, reading, Listening and interpretation, Observation/manipulation situations, organizational skills	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Group working	Research skills, writing, reading, critical thinking, question posing, organizational skills, teamwork	Internet database, library, e-mail, online talking, discuss forums which has web base

Fieldwork	Observation/manipulation situations, Research skills, writing, reading	
Homework	Research skills, lifelong learning, writing and reading	Internet database, library, e-mail,
Verbal	Research skills, lifelong learning, operate situation, evaluate questions, making comment, presentation	
Worksheets, Surveys	Research skills, lifelong learning, writing and reading	
Panel	Listening, interpretation, observation/manipulation situations	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Guest speaker	Listening and interpretation, observation/manipulation situations	Class ware, multimedia, data projector, computer, overhead projector
Student Club Activities/ Projects	Observation/Manipulation situations, critical thinking, question posing, creative team work, Research Skills, lifelong learning, writing and reading, administrative skills, specific predetermined skill	

Program Learning Outcomes Relations with Course

CORE COURSES	PÇ1	PÇ2	PÇ3	PÇ4	PÇ5	PÇ6	PÇ7	PÇ8	PÇ9	PÇ10	PÇ11	PÇ12	PÇ13
PA 501	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
PA 502	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
PA 503	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
PA 504	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
PA 505	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
FEAS 501	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
Graduation Project	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
FEAS 598	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
PA 599	X		X		X		X		X		X		X
ELECTİVE COURSES													
PA 507	X		X		X		X		X		X		X

PA 508							
PA 509							
PA 510							
PA 511							
PA 512							

Course Category List	ECTS
AREA COURSES	
Globalization and Democracy	8
Comperative Local Governments	8
Historical Developments of Local Governments in Turkey	8
Urban Sociology	8
Decentralization and Local Governance	8
Contemporary Debates in Local Governments	8
Fınal Project	0
Seminar Course	0
Thesis	0
TOTAL	**48**
ELECTıVE COURSES	
Local Government Legislation	6
Local Governments and Urbanization	6
Environmental Policies and Local Governments	6
Local Goverments and Information Technology	6
Istanbul Urban Management	6
Public Policy Analysis	6
TOTAL	**36**

SUM OF ALL COURSES ECTS	84

1. SEMESTER (NON-THESIS PROGRAM)

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	ECTS
PA 501	GLOBALIZATION AND DEMOCRACY	3	7
PA 502	COMPERATIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	3	8
PA 503	HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN TURKEY	3	8
	ELECTIVE COURSE	3	6
		12	29

2. SEMESTER

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	ECTS
PA 504	URBAN SOCIOLOGY	3	7
PA 505	DECENTRALIZATION AND LOCAL GOVERNANCE	3	8
PA 506	CONTEMPORARY DEBATES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	3	8
	ELECTIVE COURSE	3	6
		12	29

3. SEMESTER

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDİT	ECTS
	ELECTIVE COURSE	3	6
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PA 597	FINAL PROCET	NC	30
		6	42

1. SEMESTER (THESIS PROGRAM)

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	ECTS
PA 501	GLOBALIZATION AND DEMOCRACY	3	8
PA 502	COMPERATIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	3	8
PA 503	HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN TURKEY	3	8
	ELECTIVE COURSE	3	6
		12	30

2. SEMESTER

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDİT	ECTS
PA 504	URBAN SOCIOLOGY	3	8
PA 505	DECENTRALIZATION AND LOCAL GOVERNANCE	3	8
PA 506	CONTEMPORARY DEBATES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	3	8
	ELECTIVE COURSE	3	6
PA 598	SEMINAR COURSE	NC	0
		12	30

3. SEMESTER

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDİT	ECTS
PA 599	THESIS	NC	30

4. SEMESTER			
COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	ECTS
PA 599	THESIS	NC	30
TOPLAM		24	120

ELECTIVE COURSES			
COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDİT	ECTS
PA 507	LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION	3	6
PA 508	LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND URBANIZATION	3	6
PA 509	ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	3	6
PA 510	LOCAL GOVERMENTS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	3	6
PA 511	ISTANBUL URBAN MANAGEMENT	3	6
PA 512	PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSİS	3	6