

**Centre for West Asian Studies**  
**School of International Studies**  
**M.A. International Relations-West Asian Studies**

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| Course No.         | : | WA503  |
| Course Title       | : | Türkiye in a Globalised World                                |
| Course Teacher     | : | Md. Muddassir Quamar   |
| Credits            | : | 4  |
| Instruction Method | : | Lectures, Seminars and Tutorials                             |
| Evaluation Method  | : | Class Participation, Assignment and End-Semester Examination |
| Course Duration    | : | One Semester   |
| Contact Hours      | : | 04 per week  |

**Objective:** Since the 1980s, the Republic of Türkiye has strived to be recognised as a multi-regional power in the Black Sea, Balkan, Caspian, South Caucasus, Mediterranean and West Asian region, and in turn as a middle power in a globalised world. However, due to inherent economic limitations, the Turkish foreign policy ambitions remain challenged. This course seeks to provide an overview of Türkiye's domestic politics and foreign policy with an emphasis on developments in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Learning Outcome:** The course will enable students to develop an understanding of Türkiye's domestic politics and foreign policy and the interlinkages between them.

### **Course Outline**

**Unit I. Evolution of Modern Türkiye:** Rise and Fall of Ottoman Empire; Turkish Nationalism; Emergence of the Republic; Atatürk and Modern Turkey; Kemalism.

**Unit II. Contours of Domestic Politics:** Nature of the state; Political system; Civil-Military Relations; Religion and State; Emergence of Multi-party system; AKP.

**Unit III. Trajectories of Foreign Policy:** Discourses and determinants; Cold War and post-Cold War; Alliances and friendships; Regional policy.

**Unit IV. Türkiye in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century:** Identity debates; Emergence of Erdoğan; Strategic depth and zero-problem with neighbours; Blue Homeland; Neo-Ottomanism.

### **Readings**

**Unit I:**

Faruqi, Suraiya, *The Ottoman Empire and the World Around It*, London: I. B. Tauris, 2004.

Göçek, Fatma Müge, *The Transformation of Turkey: Redefining State and Society from the Ottoman Empire to the Modern Era*, London: I. B. Tauris, 2011.

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## **Unit II:**

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Azak, Umut, *Islam and Secularism in Turkey: Kemalism, Religion and the Nation State*, London: I.B. Tauris, 2010.

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Kiliç, Ramazan, "Critical Junctures, Catalysts, and Democratic Consolidation in Turkey," *Political Science Quarterly*, 2014, vol. 129, no. 2, pp. 293–318.

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## **Unit III:**

Aydin, Mustafa, "Determinants of Turkish Foreign Policy: Historical Framework and Traditional Inputs," *Middle Eastern Studies*, 1999, vol. 35, no. 4, pp. 152–186.

Bilgin, Pinar, "Securing Turkey through Western-Oriented Foreign Policy", *New Perspectives on Turkey*, 2009, vol. 40, pp. 103–23.

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Dağcı, Gül Tuba and Diyarbakırlıoğlu, Kaan, "Turkish Foreign Policy during Adnan Menderes Period," *Alternatives: Turkish Journal of International Relations*, 2013, vol. 12, no. 1, pp. 18–31.

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#### **Unit IV:**

Altunisik, Meliha Benli and Martin, Lenore G. "Making sense of Turkish Foreign Policy in the Middle East under AKP," *Turkish Studies*, 2011, vol. 12, no. 4, pp. 569–87.

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