Course: Turkey and the European Union (2008-2009)

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Aim
This course is offered jointly to students of the MA in European Union Studies and of the MA in Turkish Studies. It aims to introduce students to the political, economic and cultural dimensions of Turkey’s integration with European Union. In addition to all the practical problems related to Turkey’s size and relative poverty, Turkish integration and accession goes straight to the heart of debates over European identity. Studying the Turkish case offers us a powerful vehicle for examining the key questions surrounding EU enlargement and integration. Moreover, Turkish integration can be viewed as an instructive case for other states desiring integration with the EU, in particular states in the Caucasus and Central Asia. Given the differences in expertise and in language competencies, this course should offer students the intellectual challenge of viewing Europe from both the insider and the outsider perspective and lead to an intense and interesting dialogue.

Students are expected to locate their own materials for their essays and presentations. The selection below is intended to be indicative of the type of materials easily available to you, and may give you ideas of the scope of the subject and possibly also for essay topics.

Books – (English only and excluding books on EU enlargement in general):

Articles
· Adam, and T. Moutos. Turkish Delight for Some, Cold Turkey for Others?: The Effects of the EU-Turkey Customs Union. *CESifo Working Paper No. 15*, 2005
· Aral, “Making Sense of the Anomalies in Turkish-European Union Relations”, *Journal of Economic and Social Research* 7(1) 2005: 99-120.
- A.M. Lejour, and R. de Mooij, “Turkish Delight - Does Turkey’s accession to the EU bring economic benefits?” CESifo Paper No. 1183, 2004
- L.M. McLaren, „Explaining Opposition to Turkish Membership of the EU”, European Union Politics, 8(2) 2007: 251-278.
• S. Verney, “National identity and political change on Turkey's road to EU membership” *Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans* 9(3) 2007: 213-221