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Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
GE 721	Organization Theory	1	3	0	0	3	7

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	Turkish
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Doctoral Degree
Objective	The goal of the course is to familiarize students with major conceptual frameworks, debates, and developments in contemporary organization theory.
Content	Main management theories.
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Theory Topics

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