Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
RI-518	Conflict Resolution	1	3	0	0	3	8

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	Turkish
Course Type	Compulsory
Course Level	Masters Degree
Objective	The aim of this course is to analyze conflict situations in the IR, according to symmetrical and asymmetrical positions of actors and to study the conditions of cooperation. Within this framework, conflict factors, their interaction are also analyzed through non-cooperative game theory. Moreover, concepts like balance of power, hegemonic stability are explored as complementary tools.
Content	See "Weekly Contents"

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Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents	
1	What is conflict? Definition in the IR	
2	Conflict-based IR theories Realism-Neorealism (power and interest)	
3	Geopolitics: from geographic and historical determinism to the clash of civilizations	
4	Geopolitics seen from the other part of the world: Conflict axes according to Russia	
5	Globalism (economic and social dimensions, center-periphery dichotomy)	

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6	Game theory 1 : Basics and non-cooperative game theory
7	Mid-term exam
8	Game theory 2: Non-cooperative game models
9	Game theory 3: How to apply game theory to analyze concrete international cases?
10	Confict resolution: Cooperation analysis based on game theory
11	Conflict analysis and resolution: concepts and conflict factors
12	Implementation of conflict resolution : from peace workshops to diplomatic, political and juridictional instruments; UN interventions (peace-making, peace-building, peace-keeping)
13	Conflict cases and debate on resolution instruments 1
14	Conflict cases and debate on resolution instruments 2