TURKISH NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY INSTITUTE OF SECURITY SCIENCES	
NAME OF THE COURSE (ENG)	İAİ-813 Strategic Intelligence Analysis
NAME OF THE COURSE (TR)	Stratejik İstihbarat Analizi
SEMESTER	Spring
INSTRUCTOR	Dr. Yavuz TÜRKGENCİ
PROGRAMME	Department Of Security Strategies And Management - Master's Degree Program In Intelligence Studies

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an in-depth exploration of strategic intelligence analysis, focusing on the theories, methodologies, and practical applications of intelligence in a strategic context. Students will develop critical thinking, analytical, and communication skills essential for evaluating and interpreting information to support decision-making at the strategic level.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Define the concept of security and strategy.

Explore the role of intelligence in national security strategy and policy formulation.

Explore the role of intelligence in crisis management.

Understand the fundamentals of strategic intelligence and its role in decision-making.

Analyze the key components of the strategic intelligence process.

Develop analytical skills to assess and interpret complex information.

Develop skills on structured analysis methods.

Explore the ethical considerations and legal frameworks surrounding intelligence activities.

Evaluate the impact of technology on intelligence.

Develop practical skills in intelligence writing and briefing.

EVALUATION

Class participation % 10

Presentation % 15

Midterm Exam: Intelligence Assessment of a terrorist organization % 25

(16th April)

Final Exam: Analysis % 50 (Strategic intelligence estimate of situation, strategic threat assessment, strategic risk analysis, foresight analysis, country risk analysis)

(17th May)

STUDENTS WILL NEED TO CHOOSE:

- An intelligence agency they represent (e.g. MİT, Law Enforcement, UN Intelligence

Department, etc.)

- Targeted decision-maker.
- The terrorist group.

Terrorist groups:

- DEASH
- PKK and offspring
- Al Qaeda Central/Core
- Continuity Irish Republican Army (CIRA)
- Hayat Tahrir al Sham, Syria
- Others..

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance is mandatory.

COURSE ORGANIZATION

1. Week	Definition of Security and Strategy
2. Week	Security Strategy Design
3. Week	Introduction to Strategic Intelligence
4. Week	Types of Intelligence
5. Week	Analytical Techniques (Diagnostic Techniques and Contrarian Techniques)
6. Week	Analytical Techniques (Imaginative Thinking Techniques)
7. Week	Strategic Estimate and Assessment
8. Week	Threat Assessment Risk Assessment
9. Week	Country Risk Analysis Report
10. Week	Foresight Analysis
11. Week	Net Assessment Strategic Intelligence in the Age of AI
12. Week	Legal and Ethical Considerations Intelligence Writing and Briefing
13. Week	Case Study in Strategic Intelligence
14. Week	Case Study in Strategic Intelligence

READINGS:

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