CP 433 ECONOMICS OF DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY OF TURKEY

Course Code: 1210433
METU Credit (Theoretical-Laboratory hours/week): 3(3-0)
ECTS Credit: 5.0
Department: City And Regional Planning
Language of Instruction: English
Level of Study: Undergraduate
Course Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Melih Ersoy
Offered Semester: Fall Semesters.

Course Objective
This course aims at introducing students with different theories of social and economic development with a special emphasis on the developing countries experiences. This theoretical background is used in evaluating the social, economic history of Turkey with a special focus on the spatial development of the urban areas beginning from the foundation of the Republic up today.

Course Content
This course is organized in two parts. The first part is devoted to the presentation of various development theories. Part two examines the development of Turkish Economy and the urban planning issues beginning from the declaration of Republic to present.

In the first part different theories of development analyzing the economic structure of the peripheral formations will be discussed under three main headings, namely modernization theory, dependency theory and the mode of articulation and regulation approaches. In the second part the economic and political development of the Turkish economy and the developments in urban areas will be examined in the following periodization: 1923-1930, 1930-1946, 1946-1960, 1960-1980 and from 1980 to the present. Presentations will be made either by the invited scholars or by the students themselves depending on the arrangements made.

Course Requirements
Apart from classroom participation, students will be required to write a substantial paper on Turkish economy by examining a selected author’s writings. There will be an open book final exam at the end of the semester. It will be retrospective, and will require thought and synthesis, not regurgitation.

Grading
Students who did not participate less than 30 percent of the classes will be graded as “NA”.
Attendance and participation into discussions: 20 %; Term Paper: 40 %. Final Exam: 40 %
Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course the students will have a comprehensive knowledge of the different development theories by studying various texts. They are also expected to have the knowledge of the social and economic development of the country as well as the spatial change in urban areas of Turkey from the begging of the Republic up today.

Reference Material

The following listing is meant to be a first step; only the books listed below contain bibliographies, in most cases. Readings list related to the economic development of Turkey is considered as a part of the term paper and will be compiled by the students.


Latin American Perspectives, Issues 30-31. Special Issue on Dependency and Marxism.


