The objective of the course is to study local government as a part of the state structure with reference to the changing form and functions of local government in Turkey and some other selected countries. The focus of attention will be on the philosophy of local government and the relationship between the central and local governments as well as between the local government and local population. The main issues that are going to be discussed are as follows:

1. Question of Method
2. Theories of Local Government/State
   General Reading
   Şengül, H.T. (2001) Kentsel Çelişki ve Siyaset. WALD: İstanbul, Ch.2
2.1. Managerialism, Pluralism and Marxism
   Reading Material
   Judge, D., et.al. (eds.) Theories of Urban Politics. Chapters, 2, 5, 11, 14, Sage: London

3. Historical Evolution of Local Government/State
   A General Framework: From Local Government to Governance
   Reading Material:
   Şengül, H. T. (2001) Kentsel Çelişki ve Siyaset. WALD: İstanbul, Ch.2

4. Local Government in Selected Countries (UK, USA; Russia; China, Italy, Spain, Belgium, France, India, Brazil)
5. Turkish Experience
   A. Historical Background
      The Pattern of Urbanisation
      Historical Evolution of Local Government

Reading Material:
  TODAİE Yayınları: Ankara
- Keleş, Ruşen (1998) *Yerinden Yönetim ve Siyaset*, Cem Yayınları:
  İstanbul
- Şengül, H. T. (2001) *Kentsel Çelişki ve Siyaset*. WALD: İstanbul, Ch.3, 4,6,8

B. Current Issues and Problems
   Reading Material will be provided on the basis of selected issues

**Requirements of the Course**

There will be one mid-term and a final examination. The exams will cover the class discussion and assigned reading materials. The students are also expected to prepare a paper to be presented in the classroom.

**Grading**

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