

METU

Middle East Technical University

Middle East Technical University is founded under the name of "Orta Doğu Yüksek Teknoloji Enstitüsü" (Middle East High Technology Institute) on November 15th, 1956 to contribute to the development of Turkey and Middle East countries and especially to train people so as to create a skilled workforce in the fields of natural and social sciences. Middle East Technical University's presence brought about new methods and introduced innovations to Turkish higher education system manifesting METU as a pioneer of modern education nationwide. Furthermore, METU became the first and only university in Turkey to enter the "World's Top 100 Universities" list according to the "World University Rankings 2014-2015", released by the UK-based Times Higher Education (THE). In the "World Reputation Rankings", released by the Times Higher Education in 2012, 2013, and 2014, METU had also been accredited as the first

and only university in Turkey to enter the "World's Top 100 Universities" list. (<http://www.metu.edu.tr>)



IPSA

International Political Science Association

IPSA was founded in Paris in 1949 under the aegis of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO).

The special mandate of IPSA, expressed in its Constitution, is to support the development of political science in all parts of the world, building academic networks linking East and West, North and South. Its aim is to create an inclusive and global political science community in which all can participate. It seeks to promote collaboration between scholars in emerging and established democracies and to support the academic freedoms needed for the social sciences to flourish.

The activities and policies of IPSA reflect its global mission. It has been highly successful in the encouragement of national political science associations and today there are over 50 such associations affiliated with IPSA. IPSA has maintained its links with the United Nations and has supported the development of other international and regional political science organizations. (<http://www.ipsa.org>)



IPSA-METU

Summer School



17-28 August

2015

Ankara



About Summer School

The 3rd IPSA-METU Summer School for Social Science Research Methods will be held in the Middle East Technical University (METU) between August 17-28, 2015. A cooperative partnership between the International Political Science Association (IPSA) and the METU, the organization expects to welcome the highest participants in number in comparison the previous events.

The IPSA-METU Summer School provides students a unique opportunity to expand their knowledge of social science research methods under leading experts in the field as well as build academic networks across the neighboring regions. The school has pioneered this vision in the region, and the hope is that this approach will continue to bear fruit this year as well. The IPSA-METU Summer School with its highly experienced staff welcomes all PhD students, early-careers academics, and professionals working in relevant fields to explore the different methodologies in August, 2015.

For more information on prices, course details, contact information and more, please check;

<http://ipsa.sbe.metu.edu.tr/>

This year's Summer School offers four courses on quantitative and qualitative methods and welcomes graduate students, early career academics and professionals interested in receiving theoretical and practical training in these methods. Due to the rigorous training and full time schedules of these courses the Summer School participants will choose and register to one of these four courses which will be given over a period of two weeks in week days, allowing participants to attend both lectures and practical sessions. The schedule will also include one-on-one sessions in the form of office hours providing the students a chance to review their individual projects with the instructors. Detailed course descriptions as well as short biographies of the instructors can be found in these pages. Additionally, talks will be organized where participants can participate and learn more from the instructors. There will also be sessions included for career development such as "How to Write a Research Proposal" and "How to publish".

Courses / Instructors

Case Study Research and the Grounded Theory Approach

Prof. Dr. Werner Patzelt - Dresden University of Technology

Comparative Research Designs and Comparative Methods

*Prof. Dr. Dirk Berg-Schlosser - Philipps University Marburg
Summer School Coordinator*

Introduction to Multivariate Data Analysis

Prof. Dr. Ursula Hoffmann-Lange - University of Bamberg

Introduction to Survey Methods: Doing and Analysing Surveys Data

Prof. Dr. Bruno Castrès - Sciences Po.

Introduction to Text and Content Analysis Techniques

Prof. Dr. Matthias R. Hastall - TU Dortmund University

Summer School History

Being the first of its kind in Turkey, Middle East and North Africa as well as Eurasia, IPSA-METU Summer School for Social Science Research Methods was held in September 2013 at the Middle East Technical University, Ankara. Since then, yearly, METU is hosting worldwide known academicians and international students during this unique event in its region.

The Summer School is being organized by a partnership between the International Political Science Association (IPSA) and the METU Graduate School of Social Sciences. Together with other IPSA Summer Schools in Sao Paulo, Singapore and Stellenbosch METU is sharing a global network which is acting as a leader in social sciences till now and its ties are deepening with continuous work.

The Summer School, for two years, provided a unique opportunity for the graduate students and early professionals studying and researching in social sciences to be trained by the most prominent experts on several research methods. It had pioneered such a vision in the region which will be hopefully pursued in the following years.