

ADM 4223

MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  
Fall Semester  
ADM 423 ISSUES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The course will comprise two sections.

In the first section local government issues will be covered in general. The following points will be discussed:

- the concept of decentralization and local administration
- history of development for local administration in Turkey
- problems and issues confronting local authorities
  - structure
  - role division and tutelage
  - size
  - lack of technical personnel
  - legal framework
  - political biases
  - financial means etc.

In the second section students will be asked to prepare reports and present them in class for discussions. The topics to be covered may include:

- EU programs and local authorities
- Council of state decisions
- Castell's local government / urban space concept
- Local governments in USA, France, UK and Spain
- The local government charter
- The urban charter
- Habitat studies / local authorities
- Environmental protection
- Housing
- Planning
- Protection of cultural heritage
- Coastal management
- Gecekondu
- Kaya report on public administration
- Draft law on public administration

The reports and presentations will count as the midterm exam (%50), final exam (%50).