GENERAL INFORMATION

The field of social sciences, which focuses on the common life of human beings, has undergone a great change during the period of 1970-1990, because of the differentiations in political, economic and cultural phenomena. The mentioned change witnessed the abandonment of most of the duties that the states promised to undertake before, but instead of them, states took over different tasks. Parallel to this reality, the relations between the state and the citizen have changed, and companies or other legal entities have begun to act as actors among them. These transformations, which have taken place in the last 50 years and whose effects has felt in Turkey, require different kinds of administrators, researchers and policy makers who will work especially in the field of public administration.

Since the impact of any crisis in a world where transboundary problems have been experienced from the Chernobyl disaster in 1986 to present has now move more easily beyond the physical borders of the states, all kinds of public administrators, management policy developers and academics, whether work at local or central government, need to familiarize environmental problems, their causes and how they can be solved radically. Like environmental phenomenon, contemporary cities are not only defined by the organization of productive forces anymor, they also have reach the position that can establish the identities of citizens, define their relations with each other, and determine their entire lifes. For this reason, cities have plenty of meanings in the eyes of the government. It should pay special attention to groups such as women and the poor (disadvantaged ones), who have to face many obstacles in social life, and in this context, developing comprehensive strategies against them is an urgent necessity.

Since each student who will graduate from the Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University Public Administration Doctoral Program must be able to perform political and sociological analysis focused on the notions “state” and “citizen”, they must acquire in-depth knowledge on the above-mentioned areas, analyze and solve the problems, regulate or build the lawful relations between the governmental bodies and the citizens. In the light of this necessity, it is aimed that to take inspiration the thinkers of other countries, and at the same time, to act by considering the distinctive position of Turkey and the social reality that constitute the object of analysis by the individuals who will study in this program, and given place the political and social studies with the transition between the “general and private”, “global and local” in mind. At first, in the fields of law, urbanization, environment, management, politics and sociology, 17 doctorate courses have been designed and will be studied exactly in accordance with the spirit of the time, but the number would increase according to the transformations that will take place in social phenomena and the data required by these transformations.