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EDUCATION

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| 2020 (Expected) | Ph.D., Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
<u>Dissertation</u> : “The Rise of Performance-Based Accountability in Education: 1965-1994.”
<u>Committee</u> : Kenneth (Andy) Andrews (chair), Howard Aldrich, Neal Caren, Thurston Domina, and Charles Kurzman |
| 2016 | Master’s, Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
<u>Thesis</u> : Movement Effects on Policy Adoption and Socio-Economic Outcomes: The Case of Affordable Housing Mobilization in the United States
<u>Committee</u> : Kenneth (Andy) Andrews (chair), Neal Caren, and Charles Kurzman |
| 2009 | Master’s, Global Policy Studies, University of Texas at Austin
<u>Professional Report</u> : Internal Displacement in Iraq: History, Implications, and Future Prospects
- Awarded the Emmette S. Redford Award for Outstanding Research, LBJ School of Public Affairs
<u>Certificate</u> : Portfolio Certificate in Nonprofit Studies |
| 2003 | Bachelor of Science, Chemistry, Millsaps College |

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Social movements, organizations, political sociology, public policy, public administration, international affairs, urban affairs, development

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2016 – Present | Commissioner, Durham City-County Planning Commission (Three-Year Appointment by the Durham City Council) |
| 2012 – 2014 | Program Officer, International Budget Partnership (IBP) of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities |
| 2010 – 2012 | Publications Manager and Senior Research Assistant, Brookings Institution |

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- 2019 Al-Turk, Akram and Howard E. Aldrich. “Revisiting ‘Traits to Rates’ After 25 Years: Organizational Ecology’s Limited Impact on Entrepreneurship Research.”

Advances in Entrepreneurship, Firm Emergence, and Growth. Volume 21.
Forthcoming.

- 2018 Aldrich, Howard E. and Akram Al-Turk. "Crouching Authors, Hidden Pitfalls: Collaboration in Research." *Studi di Sociologia* 56(4).
- 2016 Andrews, Kenneth T., Bob Edwards, Akram Al-Turk, and Anne Kristen Hunter. "Sampling Social Movement Organizations." *Mobilization* 21(2): 231-246.

Under Review (Available Upon Request)

Al-Turk, Akram. "The Effects of Resource Dispersion and Policy Implementation on New Policy Adoption."

Works in Progress (Articles Available Upon Request)

Andrews, Kenneth T. and Akram Al-Turk. *Civil Rights and the Black Freedom Struggle*. (under contract, Polity Press).

Al-Turk, Akram. "The Emergence and Success of a Policy Paradigm: How Standards-Based Reforms in Education Won Out."

Al-Turk, Akram and David Rigby. "Framing Contests and Salience: The Emergence and Transformation of Policy Issues in the U.S. Congress, 1948-2015."

Levy, Brian L. and Akram Al-Turk. "Stratification in the Storm: How Residential Segregation Produces Inequality in Outcomes of 'Natural' Disasters."

Al-Turk, Akram. "Assessing the Effects of Policy and Temporally Proximate Threats on Mobilization: The Case of Nonviolent Resistance in the Palestinian Territories, 2003-Present."

Book Chapters

- 2011 Al-Turk, Akram. "Libya: From Revolt to State-Building," in *The Arab Awakening: America and the Transformation of the Middle East*. Washington, DC: Brookings Institution Press.

Reports, Essays, Blog Posts, and Other Publications

- 2017 Aldrich, Howard E. and Akram Al-Turk. "Four strategies to increase the likelihood of creating and sustaining successful research teams." *LSE Impact Blog*. Available at <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/impactofsocialsciences/2017/10/04/four-strategies-to-increase-the-likelihood-of-creating-and-sustaining-successful-research-teams/>.
- 2016 Al-Turk, Akram. "Place-Based Initiatives: A Report for the Kate B. Reynold Charitable Trust's Healthy Places Initiative." *Duke University's Division of Community Health*.

- 2014 Al-Turk, Akram. "A Guide to the Tunisian Budget." *International Budget Partnership*.
- 2014 Al-Turk, Akram. "Training Tunisian Media to Report on the Budget." *International Budget Partnership Blog*. Available at <https://www.internationalbudget.org/2014/01/training-tunisian-media-to-report-on-the-budget/>.
- 2013 Al-Turk, Akram. "Recent Developments in Tunisia's Budget Process." *International Budget Partnership Blog*. Available at <https://www.internationalbudget.org/2013/11/recent-developments-in-tunisias-budget-process/>.
- 2012 Al-Turk, Akram. "Lessons from Democracy's Third Wave." *Kalimat Magazine*.
- 2008 Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs. "A Study of Global Transportation Activities: Assessing Fuel Economy, Emission Standards, and Related Climate-Change Public Policies." Policy Research Project Report Series. Austin, TX: University of Texas at Austin.
- 2005 Stensaas, Kristina L., Anisha Bajaj, and Akram Al-Turk. "Novel Regiochemistry in the Aqueous Singlet Oxygen Ene Reactions of Carboxylic Acid Salts: A Comparison of Substrate Structure." *Tetrahedron Letters* 46: 715-718.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Al-Turk, Akram. "The Emergence and Success of a Policy Paradigm: How Standards-Based Reforms in Education Won Out." *American Sociological Association Conference*, New York, NY, August 2019.
- 2019 Al-Turk, Akram and David Rigby. "Framing Contests and Salience: The Emergence and Transformation of Policy Issues in the U.S. Congress, 1948-2015." *American Sociological Association Conference*, New York, NY, August 2019.
- 2018 Al-Turk, Akram and David Rigby. "Framing Contests and Salience: The Emergence and Transformation of Policy Issues in the U.S. Congress, 1948-2015." *Social Science History Association Conference*, Phoenix, AZ, November 2018.
- 2017 Al-Turk, Akram. "Assessing the Effects of Policy and Temporally Proximate Threats on Mobilization: The Case of Nonviolent Resistance in the Palestinian Territories, 2003-Present." *Mobilization Conference on Social Movements and Protest: Nonviolent Strategies and the State*, San Diego, CA, May 2017.

- 2016 Al-Turk, Akram. "Movement Effects on Policy Adoption and Socio-Economic Outcomes: The Case of Affordable Housing Mobilization in the United States." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 2016.
- 2016 Al-Turk, Akram. "From Advocacy to Service Provision: The Effect of Shifting Institutional Logics on Organizational Forms in the Affordable Housing Movement." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, August 2016.
- 2016 Levy, Brian L. and Akram Al-Turk. "Stratification in the Storm: How Residential Segregation Produces Inequality in Outcomes of 'Natural' Disasters." *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, March 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor (all at UNC-Chapel Hill)

- Formal Organizations and Bureaucracy (Spring 2019)
- Social and Economic Justice – Experiential Learning (Fall 2018)
- Sociology of Politics (Fall 2017, Spring 2018)
- Social Theory (Summer 2017)

Teaching Assistant (all at UNC-Chapel Hill)

- Social and Economic Justice (Fall 2015, Spring 2017)
- Social Theory (Fall 2016)
- Social Movements (Spring 2016)

Workshops

- "Advocating for Political and Social Change." Buckley Public Service Scholars Workshop (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)
- "Introduction to the Budget and Policy Process." Multiple workshops co-facilitated with Egyptian and Tunisian NGOs and the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (2012 – 2014)

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

- 2018 Dean's Fellowship, UNC-Chapel Hill
- 2017 Pilot Research Fund, UNC-Chapel Hill, Sociology Department
- 2014 Weiss Urban Livability Fellow, UNC-Chapel Hill
- 2009 Emmette S. Redford Award for Outstanding Research, LBJ School of Public Affairs
- 2009 Portfolio Certificate in Nonprofit Studies, University of Texas at Austin
- 2008 Fellow, FINCA International
- 2008 Recipient, William H. Crook Fellowship in International Affairs, Robert S. Strauss Center, University of Texas at Austin
- 2000 Recipient, Julian and Kathryn Wiener Fellowship, Millsaps College

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT, AND PROFESSION

- 2016 – 2018 Member, Graduate Studies Committee, UNC-Chapel Hill, Sociology Department

2015 – 2017	Assistant Editor, <i>Mobilization: An International Quarterly</i>
2014 – 2015	Buckley Public Service Scholars Graduate Assistant, UNC-Chapel Hill
2008-2009	Executive Committee Member, Graduate Public Affairs Council, LBJ School of Public Affairs
2008-2009	Assistant Editor, LBJ School of Public Affairs Online Journal
Reviewer	<i>Social Forces, Academy of Management Annual Conference</i>

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association
 Collective Behavior and Social Movements
 Political Sociology
 Organizations, Occupations, and Work
 Comparative and Historical Sociology
 Academy of Management

REFERENCES

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