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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics, and Public Economics

EMPLOYMENT

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, NY, USA

August 2019 -

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Ankara University, Turkey

January 2013 – July 2013

Research Fellow, Department of Economics

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, Turkey

September 2011- June 2012

Auditor

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Texas A&M University, TX, USA

2019

Advisors: Catherine Eckel and Silvana Krasteva

M.S. in Economics, University of Southampton, UK

2011

B.A. in Economics, Ankara University, Turkey

2010

PUBLICATIONS

Aksoy, Billur and Silvana Krasteva. **“When Does Less Information Translate into More Giving to Public Goods?”** *Experimental Economics*. 2020

Aksoy, Billur and Marco Palma. **“The Effects of Scarcity on Cheating and In-Group Favoritism”** *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*. 165 (2019): 100-117.

Aksoy, Billur, Haley Harwell, Ada Kovaliukaite, and Catherine Eckel. **“Measuring Trust: A Reinvestigation”** *Southern Economic Journal*. 2018; 84(4): 992-1000.

Aksoy, Billur, Catherine Eckel and Rick Wilson. **“Can I Rely on You?”** *Games*. 2018; 9(4): 81.

WORKING PAPERS

“Do Workers Exert More Effort for Mission-Oriented Jobs” with Catherine Eckel and Angela De Oliveira

EXTERNAL GRANTS

J-PAL North America Education Technology and Opportunity Full Research Project Award with Lester Lusher and Scott E. Carrell. 2019 - 2022. \$149,396.

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant in Economics (SES-1756994) with Silvana Krasteva. 2018 - 2020. \$20,055.

INTERNAL HONORS, AWARDS & GRANTS - RENSSELAER

2019: HASS FLASH Grant with Ian Chadd. 2019-2020. \$2,000.

INTERNAL HONORS, AWARDS & GRANTS - TEXAS A&M

2018: U.S. Senator Phil Gramm Doctoral Fellowship. \$5,000.
2017: Summer Time for Advancement in Research (STAR) Award. \$10,265
2017: S. Charles Maurice Fellowship in Economics. \$4,000
2016: Dr. John Van Huyck Fellowship. \$5,000
2016: Private Enterprise Research Center Bradley Fellow. \$12,500
2015: Professional Development Support Award. \$2,324.
2015: Outstanding Graduate Instructor.
2015: Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT

2010-11: Jean Monnet Scholarship, European Union
2009: Erasmus Student Exchange Program Scholarship, European Union
2007-10: Outstanding Economics Student Fellowship, Turkish Economic Association

TEACHING

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Behavioral Financial Economics

Spring 2020: Class Size: 27, Mean Rating: 4.80/5, Department Average: 4.26

Fall 2019: Class Size: 6, Mean Rating: 5/5, Department Average: 4.12

Experimental Economics

Spring 2020: Class Size: 18, Mean Rating: 4.92/5, Department Average: 4.26

Texas A&M University

Experimental Economics

Fall 2017: Class Size: 47, Mean Rating: 4.94/5, Department Average: 4.62

Principles of Microeconomics

Fall 2015: Class Size: 198, Mean Rating: 4.84/5, Department Average: 4.08

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2019:** Texas Experimental Association Symposium, Waco, TX; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; James Madison University
- 2018:** Southern Economic Association Conference, Washington D.C.; North-American Economic Science Association, Guatemala; Decision Making for Others Meeting (*poster*), The Netherlands; Economic Science Association World Meeting, Germany; Texas Experimental Association Symposium, San Antonio, TX; NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Conference (*poster*), NYC, NY
- 2017:** Southern Economic Association Conference, Tampa, FL; Texas Theory Camp, College Station, TX; University of Chicago Science of Philanthropy Initiative Conference, Chicago, IL; 68th North Conference on Behavioral Economics in Svolvær, Norway; Economic Science Association World Meeting, San Diego, CA; 7th Biennial Conference on Social Dilemmas, Amherst, MA; 5th Spring School in Behavioral Economics (*poster*), San Diego, CA
- 2016:** Southern Economic Association Conference, Washington D.C.; North-American Economic Science Association, Tucson, AZ; Texas Experimental Association Symposium, Houston (*poster*), TX

2015: North-American Economic Science Association, Dallas, TX

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

2018: Recent Advances in the Economics of Philanthropy, WZB, Germany

2017: FAIR- The Choice Lab PhD Workshop, NHH Norwegian School of Economics; 5th Spring School in Behavioral Economics, UC San Diego

2016: The International Foundation for Research in Experimental Economics; (IFREE) 21st Graduate Student Workshop, Chapman University

2015: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Cooperation, Conflict and the Evolution of Sociality, Texas A&M; SED Doctoral School in Experimental Economics, Bilgi University

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Refereeing: Experimental Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, American Political Science Review, Review of Economic Design, Industrial Relations, National Science Foundation

Service: LGBTQ+ Task Force, Aggie Ally, Mentor for Undergraduate Students at Aggie Graduate and Professional Community Club, Mentor for Women in Economics Club.

Member of American Economic Association, CSWEP, Economic Science Association, Southern Economic Association.