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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Behavioral Economics, Experimental Economics, Social Preferences, Gender and Identity

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; 1148-1177.

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

“Workers’ Response to Wages in For-Profit and Non-Profit Jobs” with Catherine Eckel and Angela De Oliveira. (*Under Review*)

“Pride in the Flag? LGBTQ+ Identity and Social Preferences” with Ian Chadd and Boon Han Koh.

“Sexual Orientation and Competitiveness” with Ian Chadd.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

National Science Foundation (SES-2031465 & SES-2031446) with Ian Chadd and Erkut Ozbay. 2020 - 2021. \$ 99,999.

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 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019

Experimental Economics

Spring 2021, Spring 2020

Texas A&M University

Directed Studies

Spring 2018, with Catherine Eckel

Experimental Economics

Fall 2017

Principles of Microeconomics

Fall 2015

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2020:** Southern Economic Association Conference, Early Career Workshop on the Economics of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
- 2019:** Texas Experimental Association Symposium, Waco, TX; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (*invited*); James Madison University (*invited*)
- 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, Management Science, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, American Political Science Review, PLOS One, Review of Economic Design, Industrial Relations, National Science Foundation (reviewer and panelist)
- Conference Organization:** Co-organizer of Experimental and Behavioral Economics Webinar (April 22, 2020 - May 27, 2020), Co-organizer of the ESA Junior Faculty Webinar Series (June 10, 2020 - August 19, 2020)
- 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.