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EDUCATION

Fulbright Program

- Conducted independent research project on liberalism in Turkish politics.

Ankara, Turkey
2011-2012

University of Arizona

- B.A. *summa cum laude* with Honors, Economics & International Studies. May 2011.
- Honors Thesis: "Conspiracism in Turkish Politics"
- GPA in major: 4.0. Overall: 3.9.
- Selected coursework: Econometrics, Economics of Strategy, Public Sector Economics, Development Economics, International Political Economy, Turkish

Tucson, Arizona
2006-2011

Boğaziçi University

- Attended intensive summer language program and semester abroad.
- Focused on Turkish language, political economy, and history of Turkey.

Istanbul, Turkey
Summer 2010
Spring 2009

Middle East Technical University

- Focused on Turkish language, Turkish foreign policy, and European integration.

Ankara, Turkey
Fall 2008

Charles G. Koch Summer Fellow Program

- Attended a weeklong seminar on market-based public policy analysis.
- Completed and presented a research project on U.S. arms control policy

Washington, DC
Summer 2008

Flinn Scholars Central Europe seminar, Institute for International Education

- Traveled extensively in Hungary and Romania
- Attended daily lectures by scholars and policymakers on the culture, politics, & history of Central Europe.

Budapest, Hungary
Summer 2007

EXPERIENCE

Arizona Desert Lamp, Editor & co-founder

First place, America's Future Foundation College Blogger award

- Reported on student government and university policy from an independent perspective
- Organized information and advocacy projects, including a student candidate policy survey, a review of campus drug arrests, a sidewalk chalk free speech campaign, and an incidental fee protection pledge

Fall 2008-Spring
2011

Technology Policy Institute, Research intern

- Conducted research on the information economy, including health IT, broadband coverage in West Africa, H-1B visa policy, and self-regulatory organizations

Washington, DC
Summer 2008

Arizona Daily Wildcat, Opinions Editor

First place, editorial writing, Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence award

- Recruited, hired, and managed a staff of 16 daily columnists. Led weekly editorial board meetings.
- Wrote 108 articles on deadline, including daily editorials and weekly columns.
- Revised and edited articles for content and style

Tucson, AZ
Fall 2007-Spring
2008

Tucson Parks & Recreation, Water Safety Instructor

- Taught daily swimming and water safety lessons to 3-12 year olds. Enforced rules and responded to emergencies

Tucson, AZ
2004-2007

SKILLS

- Advanced Turkish, basic Kurmanji Kurdish
- Python: Django, Bottle, Google App Engine
- Clojure/ClojureScript
- HTML5/CSS3/Javascript.
- Basic regression analysis with Stata and R.

ACTIVITIES, SCHOLARSHIPS, & AWARDS

Winner, Udacity CS101 course contest
Outstanding Senior, UA College of Letters, Arts, & Sciences
Phi Beta Kappa
Department of Education FLAS Fellow
National Security Education Program David E. Boren Scholar
Flinn Foundation Scholar