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## EMPLOYMENT

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### Hertie School

DAAD Postdoctoral Researcher at the Centre for International Security

**Berlin, Germany**

February 2023 - Present

### Uppsala University

Visiting Researcher at the Department of Peace and Conflict Research

**Uppsala, Sweden**

March 2023 - Present

### University of Houston

Research Assistant at the Hobby School of Public Affairs

Teaching Assistant at the Department of Political Science

**Houston, Texas**

August 2021 - December 2022

August 2017 - July 2021

## EDUCATION

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### University of Houston

Ph.D. in Political Science

**Houston, Texas**

Fall 2022

Dissertation: "UN Peacekeeping Operations: Conflicting Interests and Effectiveness"

Committee: J. Tyson Chatagnier (Chair), Patrick Shea, Nikolay Marinov, J. Michael Greig

### Çankaya University

B.A. in Translation Studies & Double Major in Political Science

**Ankara, Turkey**

Spring 2014

### University of Valencia

Erasmus Exchange in English Language and Literature

**Valencia, Spain**

Spring 2012

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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UN Peacekeeping Operations • Conflict and Peace Processes • International Organizations • Text Analysis

## PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

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- Giray, B. (2022). Public Support for UN Missions and Attacks on Peacekeepers: Evidence From the Democratic Republic of the Congo. *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*, 28(4), 305-332. <https://doi.org/10.1515/peps-2022-0028>
- Giray, B. (Forthcoming). Ideational Commitment to UN Peacekeeping and Effectiveness. *International Interactions*.

## WORK UNDER REVIEW

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- "Do UN Missions Have an Expiration Date? Ideational Commitment to UN Peacekeeping and the Length of Missions," *Invited to revise & resubmit at International Peacekeeping*.

- "Election Accomplished: Democracies and the Timing of Peacekeeper Drawdowns" (with J. Tyson Chatagnier), *Under review*.
- "Repaying Debt with Land: Debt Diplomacy, Domestic Politics, and Land Transactions" (with Jonas Bunte and Patrick Shea), *Under review*.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- "Introducing UN Peacekeeping Activities and Public Services (UNPAPS) Dataset".
- "UN Peacekeeping as an Opportunity to Modernize an Army" (with Eugenia Artabe).
- "The Composition of Peacekeepers and the Timing of Post-Civil War Elections".

## POLICY REPORTS

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- Argüelles, Maria P. Perez, Savannah L. Sipole, Karen Banda, Gail Buttorff, Renee Cross, **Burak Giray**, Jim Granato, Mark Jones, Samad Karimov, Richard Murray, Pablo M. Pinto, Bob Stein, Agustín Vallejo, and M. C. Sunny Wong. (July 25, 2022). *Social Vulnerability & Natural Disasters: 5 Years after Hurricane Harvey*. Hobby School of Public Affairs Report.
- Argüelles, Maria P. Perez, Gail Buttorff, Renee Cross, **Burak Giray**, Jim Granato, Mark Jones, Richard Murray, Pablo M. Pinto, Savannah L. Sipole, Bob Stein, Agustín Vallejo, and M. C. Sunny Wong. (August 25, 2022). *The Storm that Changed Houston: Reflections on Houstonians' Preparedness and Resiliency on Hurricane Harvey's Fifth Anniversary*. Hobby School of Public Affairs Report.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATIONS

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- **Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science**, 2022 (Poster)
- **Annual Meeting of SPSA Southern Political Science Association**, 2022 (Paper), 2019 (Paper), 2018 (Paper)
- **Texas Triangle International Relations Conference**, 2021 (Paper), 2019 (Paper)
- **Annual Meeting of APSA American Political Science Association**, 2019 (Paper)
- **Annual Tartu Conference on Russian and East European Studies**, 2018 (Paper)

## TEACHING INTERESTS

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International Relations • Comparative Politics • International Organizations • International Security • Civil War & Terrorism

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University of Houston, Department of Political Science**  
Lecturer

**Houston, Texas**

- POLS 3389, European Union Politics, Spring 2021 (U)

Laboratory Assistant

- POLS 6481, Quantitative Methods II, Spring 2020 (G)
- POLS 3316, Statistics for Political Scientists, Spring 2020 (U)
- POLS 6480, Quantitative Methods I, Fall 2019 (G)

### Teaching Assistant

- POLS 4343, Causes and Politics of War, Spring 2019 (U)
- POLS 3313, Introduction to International Relations, Spring 2018 & Fall 2018 (U)
- POLS 6332, Formal Models in International Relations, Fall 2018 (G)
- POLS 3331, American Foreign Policy, Fall 2017 & Spring 2018 (U)

## SERVICE

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- Referee [Publons profile]
  - *Conflict Management and Peace Science*
- Discussant
  - SPSA 2022, Panel: International Conflict and Security
  - The Junior Scholars in International Security (JSISE) Workshop, January 31, 2023

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) "Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience" (PRIME) Fellowship 2022/23
- University of Houston, Graduate Tuition Fellowship, Spring 2017 - Fall 2022
- The Cullen Graduate Student Success Fellowship (CGSSF), 2021, \$500
- APSA Travel Grant, 2019, \$250
- The Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2018, \$300
- University of Houston, PhD Scholarship Student Excellence, Fall 2016, \$1000
- Çankaya University, Undergraduate Tuition Fellowship

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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- STaRT@Rice (Statistical Training and Research Techniques), Rice University, October 7-11, 2022
- CIRTL Associate Level, Summer 2022
- CIVICA Data Science Summer School, July 9-30, 2021
- Text Mining, Scraping and Sentiment Analysis with R, Udemy, 2021
- Data Manipulation with Dplyr in R, Udemy, 2021
- Text Analysis, University of Houston, 2020
- Data Analytics for Public Policy, Hobby School of Public Affairs at UH, 2020

## KEY SKILLS

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<b>Programming Language</b>	R for Statistical Computing, STATA
<b>Languages</b>	English (Fluent), Turkish (Native), Spanish (Intermediate)

## REFERENCES

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*Available upon request*

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