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## **EMPLOYMENT**

Hertie School Berlin, Germany

DAAD Postdoctoral Researcher at the Centre for International Security February 2023 - Present

Uppsala University Uppsala, Sweden

Visiting Researcher at the Department of Peace and Conflict Research

March 2023 - Present

University of Houston Houston, Texas

Research Assistant at the Hobby School of Public Affairs

August 2021 - December 2022

Teaching Assistant at the Department of Political Science

August 2017 - July 2021

# **EDUCATION**

University of Houston Houston, Texas

Ph.D. in Political Science Fall 2022

Dissertation: "UN Peacekeeping Operations: Conflicting Interests and Effectiveness" Committee: J. Tyson Chatagnier (Chair), Patrick Shea, Nikolay Marinov, J. Michael Greig

Social Sciences University of Ankara Ankara, Turkey

M.A. in International Relations Spring 2016

Çankaya UniversityAnkara, TurkeyB.A. in Translation Studies & Double Major in Political ScienceSpring 2014

University of Valencia, Spain Valencia, Spain

Erasmus Exchange in English Language and Literature Spring 2012

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

UN Peacekeeping Operations  $\bullet$  Conflict and Peace Processes  $\bullet$  International Organizations  $\bullet$  Text Analysis

# PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Giray, Burak. (Forthcoming). Do UN Missions Have an Expiration Date? Ideational Commitment to UN Peacekeeping and the Length of Missions. *International Peacekeeping*.
- Giray, Burak and J. Tyson Chatagnier. (Forthcoming). Election Accomplished: Democracies and the Timing of Peacekeeper Drawdowns. *Political Research Quarterly*.
- Giray, Burak. (2023). Ideational Commitment to UN Peacekeeping and Effectiveness. *International Interactions*, 49(3), 372-400. https://doi.org/10.1080/03050629.2023.2184813.
- o Giray, Burak. (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.

#### **WORK UNDER REVIEW**

• "Repaying Debt with Land: Debt Diplomacy, Domestic Politics, and Land Transactions" (with Jonas Bunte and Patrick Shea), *Under review*.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

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

## POLICY REPORTS

- 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**

- Annual Meeting of MPSA Midwest Political Science Association, 2023 (Paper)
- 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**

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

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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

Houston, Texas

- o POLS 3389, European Union Politics, Spring 2021 (U) *Laboratory Assistant*
- o POLS 6481, Quantitative Methods II, Spring 2020 (G)
- POLS 3316, Statistics for Political Scientists, Spring 2020 (U)

o POLS 6480, Quantitative Methods I, Fall 2019 (G)

Teaching Assistant

- o 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)
- o POLS 3331, American Foreign Policy, Fall 2017 & Spring 2018 (U)

## **SERVICE**

- Referee [Web of Science researcher profile]
  - International Peacekeeping
  - 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**

- The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) "Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience" (PRIME) Fellowship 2023/24
- University of Houston, Graduate Tuition Fellowship, Spring 2017 Fall 2022
- The Cullen Graduate Student Success Fellowship (CGSSF), 2021, \$500
- o 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

- 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**

Programming Language Languages

R for Statistical Computing, STATA

English (Fluent), Turkish (Native), Spanish (Intermediate)

REFERENCES

Available upon request