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EDUCATION

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- University of Washington** • WA, USA 2024 – present
Ph.D. • Political Science • College of Arts & Sciences
Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Economy, Methodology
- Sabancı University** • Istanbul, Turkey 2022 – 2024
M.A. • Political Science • Faculty of Arts and Sciences
Thesis title: “The Role of Bureaucratic Capacity on Public Service Provision”
Thesis Advisor: Assist. Prof. Serkant Adiguzel
- Boğaziçi University** • Istanbul, Turkey 2017 – 2022
B.A. (with Honors) • Political Science and IR • Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics, Political Economy, Political Methodology, Quantitative Methods,
Turkish Politics, Bureaucracy, Public Service Provision

WORKING PROJECTS

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- **Behind the Desk:** What Becomes of Bureaucrats Who Plan Mass Violence?
 - **Under the Iron Gavel:** Probing the Quieting Effect of Authoritarian University Takeovers on Political Science Research (with Asli Cansunar)
 - **What’s in a Name?** Naming Practices as Acts of Political Resistance (with Asli Cansunar, Nela Mrchkovska, and Ramses Llobet)
 - **When the Government Fires the State:** How Bureaucratic Purges Weaken Public Service Capacity
 - UW Philo S. Bennett Prize for Best Graduate Paper in Democratic Politics (2025)

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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- Teaching Assistant** – Sabancı University 2022 – 2024
• Led discussion hours and graded exams for Humanity and Society (SPS 102), a core freshman course.
- Research Assistant** – Boğaziçi University 2020, 2022
• Assisted two separate faculty-led research projects:
 - “*Judges, Victims, and Experts: Situating Knowledge in International Human Rights Adjudication*” (Assist. Prof. Fleur van Leeuwen): conducted literature review and prepared an annotated bibliography.
 - “*Poverty Eradication in Sub-Saharan Africa*” (Assoc. Prof. Zeynep Kadirbeyoğlu): contributed to literature review on governance and development policy.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Editor** – Duvar English 2023 – 2025
Remote
 - Translated Turkish news articles into English, ensuring accurate communication of events to English-speaking audiences
- Project Intern** – Çavaria June 2023 – Sep. 2023
Ghent, Belgium
 - Reviewed the academic and civil society literature on development projects under the project titled, “Decolonizing Trainings on Sexual and Gender Diversity”
- Curriculum Editor** – Arkhé Project June 2022 – Oct. 2022
İzmir, Turkey
 - Created content for the education module of the economics program, coordinated students and lecturers during the one-week on-site program

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Boğaziçi University LGBTI+ Studies Club

2017 – 2022

- Spearheaded event organization, campaign management, and member orientation as coordinator and board member (3 years)
- Supervised the project group established for the human rights violations on campus and facilitated the distribution of the report among faculty

FELLOWSHIPS

Richard B. Wesley Comparative Politics Fellowship, University of Washington	2025
Graduate School Fellowship, University of Washington	2024 – 2025
Graduate School Fellowship, Sabancı University	2022 – 2024
Undergraduate Fellowship, Boğaziçi University Foundation	2017 – 2022

SKILLS

Languages: Turkish (Native), English (Advanced), Arabic (Beginner)

Programming: R, Stata, L^AT_EX

REFERENCES

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