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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, USA

2017-2022 (*Expected*)

Ph.D. in Political Science

Dissertation: “The Politics of Authoritarian Social Welfare Provision: Why Do Some Autocracies Develop Generous Welfare States?”

Committee: Teri L. Caraway (Chair), Kathleen Collins, Hassan Abdel Salam, David Samuels

Sabancı University, İstanbul, Turkey

2013-2014

M.A. in Public Policy

Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

2008-2013

B.Sc. in Political Science and Public Administration

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

- Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (2018 - Present)
- Department of Political Science, Sabancı University (2013-2014)

Research Assistant

- Department of Sociology, Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey (2016-2017)
- Social Policy Center, Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey (2014-2016)
- Centre for Policy Analysis and Research on Turkey, London, UK (2014- 2015)
- Public Administration Institute for Turkey and Middle East, Ankara, Turkey (2013)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2020-2021, Interdisciplinary Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- Summer 2020, Larson Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- Summer 2020, Joyce C. Le Vi Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- Summer 2019, Graduate Research Partnership Program Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- Summer 2018, Summer Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- 2013-2014 Graduate Student Fellowship, Sabancı University, Istanbul

PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- (*Revise & Resubmit*) “The Four Worlds of Welfare Capitalism: Institutional, Neoliberal, Populist and Residual Welfare State Regimes”, *Journal of European Social Policy*, (with Erdem Yoruk and Gabriela Tafoya)

- (2019) “Indigenous Unrest and the Contentious Politics of Social Assistance in Mexico”, *World Development* (123) (with Erdem Yoruk and Lara Sarlak)
- (2019) “The Variable Selection Problem in the Three Worlds of Welfare Literature”, *Social Indicators Research*, 144 (2), 625-646 (with Erdem Yoruk, Kerem Yildirim, and Burcu Yakut-Cakar)

Book Chapters

- (2019) “Fragile transitions from education to employment: Youth, gender and migrant status in the EU”. In E. Colombo (Ed.), *Youth and the Politics of the Present: Coping with Complexity and Ambivalence* London: Routledge (with Cetin Celik, Fatos Goksen, Alpay Filiztekin, and Mark Smith).
- (2018) “Policy-making and gender mainstreaming”. In J. O’Reilly, C. Moyart, T. Nazio, and M. Smith (Eds.), *Youth Employment: STYLE Handbook*. Bristol: Policy Press. (with Fatos Goksen, Alpay Filiztekin, Mark Smith, Cetin Celik)
- (2018) “Leaving and returning to the parental home during the economic crisis”. In J. O’Reilly, C. Moyart, T. Nazio, and M. Smith (Eds.), *Youth Employment: STYLE Handbook*. Bristol: Policy Press. (with Fatos Goksen, Deniz Yukseker, Alpay Filiztekin, Fernanda Mazotta, Lavinia Parisi)

Working Papers

- “The Politics of the Minimum Wage”, *manuscript in preparation* (with Teri Caraway)
- “Financial Liberalization and Autocratic Leader Survival”, *manuscript in preparation*
- “Barriers to and triggers of policy innovation and knowledge transfer in Turkey”, (2015) STYLE Working Papers, University of Brighton, Brighton. (with Fatos Goksen, Deniz Yukseker, and Sinem Kuz)

Conference Presentations

- “The Politics of the Minimum Wage”, American Political Science Association Annual Conference (Virtual), September 9-13, 2020. (with Teri Caraway)
- “Four Worlds of Welfare Capitalism”, International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP4), Montreal, June, 26-28, 2019. (with Erdem Yoruk and Gabriela Tafoya)
- “Indigenous Revolts and Politics of Social Assistance in Mexico” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 5-8, 2018. (with Erdem Yoruk and Lara Sarlak)
- “Four Worlds of Welfare Capitalism”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 5-8, 2018. (with Erdem Yoruk and Gabriela Tafoya)
- “A Beauvoirian Approach to a Historical Novel: I killed my love” Women’s Studies Symposium. Dokuz Eylul University, Izmir, Turkey. November 3-4, 2016. (with Sultan Toprak)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The New Politics of Welfare: Towards an “Emerging Markets” Welfare State Regime (Funded by ERC) (2017 - 2018) (Researcher)

Strategic Transitions for Youth Labour in Europe (Funded by EU-FP 7) (2014-2017) (Researcher)

LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), Arabic (Native), English (Fluent), French (Beginner)

COMPUTER SKILLS

STATA, R, SPSS, NVIVO, L^AT_EX