

# Mustafa Cem Gezici

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## Education

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**Bayreuth University**, Bayreuth, Germany *10/2023–present*  
M.A. in Global History & M.A. in History & Economics (dual enrollment)  
Supplementary Program: *Data Literacy*

**Boğaziçi University**, Istanbul, Turkey *09/2018–06/2023*  
B.A. in History, GPA: 3.35 / 4.00

**Istanbul University**, Istanbul, Turkey *09/2020–present*  
B.Sc. in Economics (Continuing)

**Asiye Ağaoğlu Anatolian High School**, Istanbul, Turkey *09/2014–06/2018*  
Graduated with 82.38 / 100

## Languages

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- Turkish – Native
- English – Advanced (IELTS Academic: 7.0)
- German – Intermediate (B1.2 Certificate, Bayreuth University)

## Software Skills

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- **R:** (Advanced) Regression modeling, data visualization, panel data analysis
- **Google Colab:** (Advanced) Data scraping, statistical modeling
- **Microsoft Office:** Word, Excel, PowerPoint (Advanced)
- **QGIS:** (Beginner) Spatial analysis, historical cartography
- **Python:** (Beginner)

## Research Interests

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- Economic History of Empires
- Trade and Urbanization in the Mediterranean
- Neoliberal Reforms and International Financial Institutions
- Digital Religionism and Political Economy
- Intersectionality and Structural Inequality
- Quantitative Methods in Historical Research (R, QGIS)
- Qualitative Methods in Historical Analysis (Archival Research, Data Collection)

- Tax Havens as Historical-Political Constructions
- Medieval, Early Modern and Modern European History
- Ottoman History - Turkish Republican History
- Beneficial Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Humanities
- 21st Century Internationalism

## Certificates

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| • Introduction to Generative AI – Google            | 07/2023 |
| • Strategic Thinking – BTK Academy                  | 04/2022 |
| • Advanced Ottoman Paleography – İSMEK              | 03/2023 |
| • Excel 2019 - İSMEK                                | 09/2023 |
| • E-Trade Education – Kütahya Dumlupınar University |         |

## Research Projects & Term Papers

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### Undergraduate Thesis

**Title:** *The Impacts of Anarchism on The Ottoman Empire in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century: The Establishment of Security Regime and its Consolidation*

### Term Papers

- **Ottoman Trade and Demographics in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century**  
Quantitative analysis of Ottoman port cities. Dataset compiled from historical archives. Analysis conducted using R and QGIS.
- **Tax Havens or Political Mirages?**  
Critical political economy paper exploring tax havens. Custom dataset created via online archive research and international data sources.
- **The Retrospective Self-Questioning Process of the World Bank Based on the Case of the TEK Project**  
Qualitative analysis of the ideological and institutional transformation of the World Bank's development policy in Turkey through the TEK Project. Built via archival search and World Bank reports; contextualized the structural adjustment policies of the 1980s in the Turkish energy sector.
- **Reuchlin and the “Augenspiegel”**  
Legal-political-ideological history paper on censorship and property rights in 16th-century Holy Roman Empire.
- **A New Era of Defying Kemalism**  
Political science paper on digital Islamism, influencer politics, and post-coup Islamist strategies in Turkey.
- **Beyond Narrow Orientalism**  
Literary analysis exploring the Islamic East as a reflective tool for European imperial imagination.
- **Book Review: *The Logic of Violence in Civil War***  
Critical review of Stathis Kalyvas' key work on civil war dynamics and political violence.

## Academic Presentations

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*The following presentations were prepared and delivered based on critical analysis of published academic works as part of research colloquia.*

- **“The Smoot-Hawley Tariff and the Political Economy of Protectionism”**  
Presented an analysis of Mitchener, O’Rourke, and Wandschneider (2022), *The Economic Journal*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, MA in History and Economics, University of Bayreuth — January 2024
- **“Innovation and Inequality: Who Becomes an Inventor in America?”**  
Delivered a critical review of Chetty et al. (2019), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, MA in History and Economics, University of Bayreuth — May 2024
- **“War, Socialism and Fascism: Pathways from Conflict to Authoritarianism”**  
Presented a structured critique of Acemoglu et al. (2022), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, MA in History and Economics, University of Bayreuth — November 2024
- **“Trade Systems in Historical Perspective: Multilateralism vs. Bilateralism”**  
Delivered an analytical presentation on Irwin (1993), in *New Dimensions in Regional Integration*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, MA in History and Economics, University of Bayreuth — May 2025

## Interests

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- Trekking and nature walks
- Local urban exploration
- Cartography and historical maps
- Classical and folk music
- Exploring local museums and artefacts