

# Mustafa Cem Gezici

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## Academic Profile

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Graduate student in Global History and History & Economics specializing in **economic history**. Experienced in both **quantitative** (R, data visualization, panel methods) and **qualitative** (archival research) approaches. Combines R-based statistical modeling with **historical GIS mapping (QGIS)**. Multilingual and research-oriented with a focus on trade, urbanization, and comparative imperial institutions.

## Education

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### University of Bayreuth, Germany

Oct 2023 – Present

M.A. in Global History & M.A. in History & Economics (Dual Enrollment)

Supplementary Program: *Data Literacy*

*Literacy*

### Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey

Sep 2018 – Jun 2023

B.A. in History | GPA: 3.35/4.00

### Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey

Sep 2020 – Present

B.Sc. in Economics (*Continuing*)

### Asiye Ağaoğlu Anatolian High School, Istanbul

Sep 2014 – Jun 2018

Graduated with 82.38/100

## Skills & Methods

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- **R (Advanced):** Regression modeling, data visualization, panel data analysis
- **QGIS (Beginner):** Spatial analysis, historical cartography
- **Google Colab (Advanced):** Data scraping, statistical modeling
- **Microsoft Office (Advanced):** Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- **Python (Beginner)**
- **Languages:** Turkish (Native); English (Advanced, IELTS 7.0); German (Intermediate, B1.2)

## Research and Professional Experience

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### Apollon Trading, Department of Finance and Treasury

Aug 2025 – Sep 2025

*Intern*

- Assisted in financial data analysis and treasury operations; contributed to reporting and documentation workflows.
- Applied R/Excel for exploratory analysis and consistency checks on transactional data.

### Student Research Assistant (Prospective)

October 2025 – March 2026

University of Bayreuth

- Support archival data collection and dataset curation for Ottoman trade and urban history projects.
- Implement reproducible analysis pipelines in R; prepare data visualizations and bibliographic annotations.

## Selected Research Projects & Term Papers

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*Ottoman Trade and Demographics in the 19th Century*

- Quantitative analysis of Ottoman port cities using archival sources; dataset construction; visualization in R and mapping in QGIS.

## *Tax Havens or Political Mirages?*

- Critical political economy study with a custom dataset compiled from online archives and international data sources.

## *The World Bank and the TEK Project: Retrospective Self-Questioning*

- Archival/qualitative analysis of institutional transformation in development policy in Turkey; contextualized 1980s structural adjustment.

## *Reuchlin and the ‘Augenspiegel’*

- Legal-political-ideological history paper on censorship and property rights in the 16th-century Holy Roman Empire.

## **Academic Presentations**

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*The Smoot–Hawley Tariff and the Political Economy of Protectionism* Jan 2024  
Presented an analysis of Mitchener, O’Rourke, and Wandschneider (2022), *The Economic Journal*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, University of Bayreuth

*Innovation and Inequality: Who Becomes an Inventor in America?* May 2024  
Delivered a critical review of Chetty et al. (2019), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, University of Bayreuth

*War, Socialism and Fascism: Pathways from Conflict to Authoritarianism* Nov 2024  
Presented a structured critique of Acemoglu et al. (2022), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, University of Bayreuth

*Trade Systems in Historical Perspective: Multilateralism vs. Bilateralism* May 2025  
Delivered an analytical presentation on Irwin (1993), in *New Dimensions in Regional Integration*  
Research & Debate Colloquium, University of Bayreuth

## **Certificates**

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- Introduction to Generative AI – Google (Jul 2023)
- Excel 2019 – İSMEK (Sep 2023)
- Advanced Ottoman Paleography – İSMEK (Mar 2023)
- Strategic Thinking – BTK Academy (Apr 2022)
- E-Trade Education – Kütahya Dumlupınar University

## **Research Interests (Focused)**

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- History of Capitalism
- Ottoman and Mediterranean Economic History
- Trade and Urbanization in the 19th Century
- Quantitative Historical Analysis (R, QGIS)
- Comparative Imperial Institutions
- International Political Economy