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Education	<p>Pennsylvania State University Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science and Social Data Analytics, 08/2016 - present. <i>Major Field: Comparative Politics</i></p> <p>M.A., Political Science, 2018. <i>Fields: Comparative Politics, Methodology</i></p> <p>Humboldt University of Berlin M.A., Research Training Program, Department of Social Sciences, 2016.</p> <p>Boğaziçi University B.A., Political Science and Economics (Dual Degree), 2014.</p>
Research Interests	Social Network Analysis, Elite Politics, Coalition Formation
Publications	Sangyeon Kim, Omer F. Yalcin , Samuel Bestvater, Kevin Munger, Burt Monroe, and Bruce Desmarais. The Effects of an Informational Intervention on Attention to Anti-Vaccination Content on YouTube. In <i>Proceedings of the Fourteenth International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM) 2020</i> (Forthcoming)
Works in Progress	<p><i>A Network Theory of Coalition Formation</i> Part of my dissertation, this paper models political coalition formation process as that of formation of an elite network, where individuals are free to choose their support ties given everyone's exogenously given power and ideology.</p> <p><i>Public Emotions Contextualized by Places: An Investigation of Geotagged Tweets on the Black Lives Matter Movement</i>, Lulu Peng, Omer F. Yalcin, Shipi Dhanorkar, and Guangqing Chi (Revise & Resubmit at <i>Social Science Computer Review</i>)</p> <p><i>Buying Influence through Sovereign Wealth</i> This paper analyzes Sovereign Wealth Fund investment flows in comparison to other types of monetary flows, specifically FDI, to see whether political factors motivate SWF investments as opposed to economic gains.</p>
Research Experience	<p>Research Assistant</p> <p>Dr. Marie Hojnacki, extraction and scraping of Twitter data and Lobby Disclosure Reports of organized interest groups (08/2018 - 05/2019)</p> <p>Dr. Vineeta Yadav, data collection for project on Islamist political parties and elections in the Muslim world - (08/2016-05/2017)</p>

Teaching Experience**Teaching Assistant**

Scientific Study of Politics (Pennsylvania State University, Fall 2019)

Network Analysis II: Advanced Topics - ICPSR - (Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research , University of Michigan, Summer 2019)

Network Analysis I: Introduction - ICPSR - (Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan, Summer 2019)

Conferences & Presentations

“A Network Theory of Coalition Formation”

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, September 2019.

Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS) Conference, Washington, DC, August 2019.

Political Networks (PolNet) Annual Conference, Durham, NC, May 2019.

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2019.

Center for Social Data Analytics (C-SoDA) Open House, Pennsylvania State University, January 2019.

Awards and Fellowships

Enhanced Graduate Scholarship (Fellowship), Penn State, 08/2017 - 05/2018

Program in Comparative Politics (PiCP) Award for Arabic Language Study in Jordan (Summer 2017) and Turkey (Summer 2018)

DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) and TEV (Turkish Education Foundation) Joint Scholarship for M.A. Study in Germany (9/2014 –3/2016)

Erasmus Program Scholarship of the European Union for Exchange Semester at the Freie University of Berlin (02/2013 - 08/2013)

Languages and Skills

Turkish (native), English (Fluent), German (Proficient), Arabic (Good)

R, Python, L^AT_EX

Memberships

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

References

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