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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	Sabancı University , İstanbul, Turkey <i>Assistant Professor of Political Science</i>	09/2022 - Present
	Harvard University , Cambridge, MA <i>Middle East Initiative Non-Resident Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School</i>	09/2022 - 06/2023
	Harvard University , Cambridge, MA <i>Middle East Initiative Predoctoral Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School</i>	09/2021 - 06/2022
AFFILIATIONS	Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies , Faculty fellow	09/2022 - Present
	Machine Learning for Peace Project, DevLab@Penn , Researcher	09/2018 - Present
	Harvard Kennedy School, Middle East Initiative , Faculty Affiliate	07/2023 - 07/2024
EDUCATION	Duke University , Durham, NC <i>Ph.D., Political Science</i> Field: Political Economy, Political Methodology	08/2016 - 09/2022
	Duke University , Durham, NC <i>M.A., Political Science</i>	08/2016 - 05/2019
	Boğaziçi University , İstanbul, Turkey <i>M.A., Economics</i>	09/2014 - 06/2016
	Boğaziçi University , İstanbul, Turkey <i>B.A., Economics & B.A., Political Science and International Relations</i>	09/2009 - 06/2014
	Sciences Po , Paris, France <i>Exchange Student</i>	01/2013 - 06/2013
PUBLICATIONS	5) Adiguzel, Fatih Serkant. 2025. "Propaganda during economic crises: reference point adjustment in economic news." <i>Political Communication</i> , Published Online First. https://doi.org/10.1080/10584609.2025.2526387	
	4) Adiguzel, Fatih Serkant. 2025. "Checks and Balances and Institutional Gridlock: Implications for Authoritarianism." <i>Governance</i> , Volume 38, Issue 2. https://doi.org/10.1111/gove.70017	
	3) Adiguzel, Fatih Serkant. 2023. "Correlates of deforestation in Turkey: evidence from high-resolution satellite data." <i>New Perspectives on Turkey</i> , 68, 30-48. https://doi.org/10.1017/npt.2022.28	
	2) Adiguzel, Fatih Serkant, Asli Cansunar, and Gozde Corekcioglu. 2023. "Out of Sight, Out of Mind? Electoral Responses to Proximity of Healthcare." <i>Journal of Politics</i> , 85(2), 667-683. https://doi.org/10.1086/722040	
	1) Adiguzel, Fatih Serkant, Asli Cansunar, and Gozde Corekcioglu. 2020. "Truth or Dare? Detecting Systematic Manipulation of COVID-19 Statistics." <i>Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy</i> , Vol. 1: No. 4, pp 543-557. http://dx.doi.org/10.1561/113.00000021	

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WORKING PAPERS

- “The Islamic Waqf: Instrument of Unequal Security, Worldly and Otherworldly” (with Timur Kuran) (*Revise & Resubmit*)
- “From Elected to Appointed: The Economic Consequences of Central Takeovers on Public Procurement” (with Mustafa Kaba and Murat Koyuncu) (*Under review*)
- “Favor exchanges and pro-government media bias”
- “Paying the dues? Access, Congestion and Bribery” (with Diego Romero and Marco Morucci)
- “Democratic Backsliding and Media Responses to Government Repression of Journalism: Machine Learning Evidence from Tanzania” (with Diego Romero and Erik Wibbels)
- “Foreign Influence by Authoritarian Governments: Introducing New Data and Evidence (with Jeremy Springman, Mateo Villamizar Chaparro, Zung-Ru Lin, Donald Moratz, Diego Romero, and Erik Wibbels)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Local Responses to a Global Crisis: Public Service Delivery in Turkish Municipalities Amidst Migrant Influx” (with Mustafa Kaba and Murat Koyuncu)
- “Is Seeing Believing? How Public Service Visibility Influences Local Government Spending and Procurement Policies” (with Mustafa Kaba, Asli Cansunar, and Murat Koyuncu)
- “The Impact of Legal Repression on Citizen Online Behavior: Evidence from Tanzania’s Jamii Forums” (with Diego Romero, Erik Wibbels, and Nuzulack Dausen)
- “Between Ideology, Strategy and Polarization: Judicial Decision-Making amid Court-Packing” (with Mert Moral, Oya Yeğen, and Aylin Aydın-Çakır)
- “Media Framing of Turkey’s Economic Crisis (with Merve Edeer and İrem Aydaş)

REPORTS

- “Reporting on Civic Space: Differences in Coverage Between National and International Sources.” (with Diego Romero, Mike Sun, and Erik Wibbels)
- “The Impact of Legal Repression on Citizen Online Behavior: Evidence from Tanzania’s Jamii Forums” (with Nuzulack Dausen, Diego Romero, and Erik Wibbels)

TEACHING

Sabancı University, Instructor: Research Methods for Political Science and International Relations (undergraduate), International Political Economy (undergraduate), Political Economy (graduate), Advanced Research Methods and Data Analysis in Political Science (graduate), Methods and Scope of Political Analysis (graduate)

Duke University, Teaching Assistant: Politics of Authoritarian Regimes

Boğaziçi University, Graduate Teaching Assistant: Microeconomics, Game Theoretical Models of Political Economy, Public Finance, Economics of Industrial Organization, Evolution of Economies and Economics, Turkish Economy, Growth and Development, Topics in History of Economic Thought

Boğaziçi University, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Microeconomics

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS	2020	Departmental Research Grant. Duke University, Department of Political Science.		
	2020	Graduate School Summer Scholarship. Duke University, Graduate School.		
	2018	Alona Evans Research Grant. Duke University, Department of Political Science.		
	2016-2021	Graduate School Scholarship. Duke University, Department of Political Science.		
	2014-2016	Graduate Fellowship. The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey.		
	2014	Ranked 2 nd in the Economics Department, Boğaziçi University.		
	2009-2014	High Honor Student. Boğaziçi University.		
	2009-2014	Undergraduate Fellowship. Mehmet Zorlu Foundation.		
WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES	2024	Koç University Economics Department Seminar, Political Economy of Development Conference (University of Pennsylvania), Workshop on Politics, Media and Information (Koç University)		
	2023	Workshop on Public Services in Comparative and Historical Perspective (University of Gothenburg), Turkey Computational Social Science Conference 2023 (Koç University), 4th LSE Workshop on Political Economy of Turkey (LSE), APSA Annual Meeting (Los Angeles, USA)		
	2022	MPSA Annual Meeting (online), AALIMS Conference (Princeton University)		
	2021	APSA Annual Meeting (Seattle, USA)		
	2020	2 nd LSE Workshop on Political Economy of Turkey (online)		
	2019	Workshop on Democratic Backsliding (Friedrich-Alexander University, Erlangen, Germany), Turkey Today: the 3rd Annual Graduate Student Conference (Columbia University)		
	SERVICE	Advising: Mahmutcan Bodrumlu (MA, first placement: Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Washington), Alperen Şen (MA, first placement: Ph.D. in Political Science at UC Davis), Açıelya Altun (MA, first placement: Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Washington)		
Reviewer: Journal of Politics, The Review of Economics and Statistics, British Journal of Political Science, Southeast European and Black Sea Studies, Public Choice, European Journal of Political Research, Global Studies Quarterly, Journal of European Economic History, Journal of Law and Empirical Analysis				
SKILLS	Languages: English, Turkish (native), French (intermediate)			
	Programming/Typesetting: R, Python, Stata, ArcGIS, SQL, L ^A T _E X, Markdown			
REFERENCES	Prof. Pablo Beramendi	Prof. Timur Kuran	Prof. Erik Wibbels	
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