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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2016 – present **Assistant Professor**, Social Research and Public Policy, New York University-Abu Dhabi
- 2014 – 2016 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Germany

EDUCATION

- 2014 **Ph.D. Sociology**, University of California-Los Angeles
Dissertation: “Schooling, Islamization, and Religious Mobilization in Turkey”
Committee: Rogers Brubaker (Chair), Andreas Wimmer, Cihan Tuğal, Stefan Timmermans, James Gelvin (History)
Field Exams: Political Sociology; Comparative Ethnicity & Nationalism
- 2008 **M.A. Sociology**, University of California-Los Angeles
Thesis: “Ethno-Religious Boundaries in a Multi-Ethnic Society”
- 2005 **M.A. Political Science and International Relations**, *with high honors*, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
Thesis: “The Uneasy Balance of Contested Identities: Politics of Multiculturalism and the Case of Hatay”
- 2003 **B.A. Political Science and International Relations**, *with honors*, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Political sociology; social movements, religion, culture; comparative ethnicity, nationalism, citizenship; social theory; comparative-historical and ethnographic methods; Islam, Middle East.

PUBLICATIONS

- 2015 **Ozgen, Zeynep.** “Ethnic boundaries in ‘non-ethnic’ contexts: Constructivist theory and the sexual reproduction of diversity.” *Theory and Society* 44(1):33-64.

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Under Review

2015 “Mobilizing under stress: Islamist collective action in Turkey” Revise and Resubmit at *Mobilization: An International Journal*

Book Review

2012 Review of “Islam’s Marriage with Neoliberalism: State Transformation in Turkey.” (by Yıldız Atasoy) *New Perspectives on Turkey* 46(2): 250-53

Other Publications

2013 “From Religious Schooling to Mobilization in a Secular State.” *Perspectives on Europe* 43 (1): 145-149

Work in Progress

“Religious change and religious revival: an institutionalist approach” (manuscript available)

“When scripts do not resonate: global diversity discourses and local boundary making in Southern Turkey” (with Matthias Koenig) (manuscript available)

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2013 **American Council of Learned Societies**, Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship

2013 **Council for European Studies**, Mellon/CES Dissertation Completion Fellowship, (declined)

2011 **Fulbright-Hays/IEE**, Graduate Fellowship for International Study

2011 **Wenner-Gren Foundation**, Dissertation Fieldwork Grant

2010 **Council for European Studies**, Mellon Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship

2007 **Social Science Research Council**, Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship

2006-08 **UC-Berkeley Institute of European Studies**, Entering Graduate Student Fellowship in Modern European Studies

2006 **Georgetown University**, BMW Center for German and European Studies Conference Grant

2004 **International Institute for Political and Economic Studies**, Georgetown University Summer School, Greece

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UCLA

- 2012 **College of Letters and Sciences**, Russian/Eurasian Studies Fellowship
- 2010 **UCLA Alumni Association Fellowship**
- 2008 **Center for World Languages**, Summer Fellowship (for the study of intensive Arabic)
- 2006-08 **International Institute**, Global Scholars Fellowship
- 2006-08 **College of Letters and Sciences**, Shirley and Ralph Shapiro International Student Fellowship
- 2006 **Department of Sociology**, Departmental Fellowship

REFEREED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2017 “When Scripts Do Not Resonate: Global Minority Rights and Local Boundary Dynamics in Southern Turkey,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada
- 2015 “Religious Change and Religious Revival: An Institutional Approach,” ASA Comparative-Historical Sociology mini-conference on Rethinking Remaking Modernity, Chicago, IL.
- 2013 “From Madrasa to Underground and Back: Is Turkish Secularization Path Dependent?,” ASA Comparative-Historical and Political Sociology mini-conference on Capitalism, the Politics of Inequality, and Historical Change, New York City, NY.
- 2012 “Islamism’s bid for everyday life: Religion, Politics, and Education in post-1980 Turkey,” Council for European Studies Meeting, Boston, MA.
- 2011 “Marriage and Ethno-Religious Boundaries in a Multiethnic Society,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2006 “Change and Resistance: The European Union and Democratization in Turkey,” 10th Annual Graduate Student Conference, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 “Rethinking the Social Philosophy of Multiculturalism: The Case of Antioch,” 3rd Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy, University of Pavia, Italy.
- 2005 “Çokkültürlülük Felsefesini Yeniden Düşünmek: Çatışan Kimlikler ve Hatay Örneği,” (Rethinking the Social Philosophy of Multiculturalism: The Case of Antioch) 3rd Graduate Student Convention, Turkish Political Science Association, Ankara, Turkey.

INVITED TALKS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 “When Scripts Do Not Resonate: Global Minority Rights and Local Boundary Dynamics in

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Southern Turkey” (with Matthias Koenig), Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Imagining and Regulating Ethnic and Religious Diversity in Turkey Conference, Göttingen, Germany.

- 2015 “Schooling, Islamization, and Religious Mobilization in Turkey,” New York University Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
- 2015 “Schooling, Islamization, and Religious Mobilization in Turkey,” New York University, NY.
- 2015 “Schooling, Islamization, and Religious Mobilization in Turkey,” Colby College, Waterville, ME.
- 2015 Discussant, “Plural Discursive Regimes and Repertoires of Difference,” Siting Pluralism: Practices of Religious Difference Workshop, Göttingen University, Germany.
- 2014 “Islamist Mobilization in Secular Turkey,” Sociology Colloquium, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2010 “Marriage and Ethno-Religious Boundaries in a Multiethnic Society,” UCLA Comparative-Historical Seminar, Los Angeles, CA.

TEACHING

- 2016 - present **Assistant Professor**, NYU Abu Dhabi, Social Research and Public Policy
SRPP-AD 125: Ethnographic Field Research
SRPP-AD 160X: Islamist Social Movements
- 2008-10 **Teaching Assistant**, UCLA Sociology
SOC 1: Introduction to Sociology. Winter 2010
SOC 110: Sociohistorical Methods. Fall 2009
SOC 101: Classical Sociological Theory. Winter 2009
SOC 102: Contemporary Sociological Theory. Winter 2008
SOC 182: Political Sociology. Spring 2008
- 2005-6 **Teaching Assistant**, Bilgi University, Department of Political Science
POLS 101: Introduction to Politics
POLS 230: Introduction to Turkish Politics
- 2003-5 **Teaching Assistant**, Bogaziçi University, Department of Political Science
POLS 101: Introduction to Politics
POLS 245: Introduction to Turkish Politics

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2010-present **Occasional Reviewer**: *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Theory and Society*, *Mobilization*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *International Sociology*, *New Perspectives on Turkey*

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2016 **Co-organizer and President**, Imagining and Regulating Ethnic and Religious Diversity in Turkey Conference, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany.

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

SOCIAL RESEARCH AND PUBLIC POLICY, NYU ABU DHABI

2016-present **Committee Member**, Faculty Review Committee for Undergraduate Research Grants

SOCIOLOGY, UCLA

2013-14 **Advisor**, Undergraduate Honor Thesis Program

2012-14 **Panelist**, Information Session for Graduate Students. Topics: The Job Market (2014); Winning Dissertation Research/Writing Fellowships (2013); Conducting Foreign-Based Research (2012)

2009-14 **Graduate Student Peer Mentor**

2010 **Graduate Student Member**, Graduate Admissions Committee

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Sociological Association (sections: Political Sociology; Collective Behavior and Social Movements, Comparative-Historical Sociology, Theory, Sociology of Religion, Culture)

Social Science History Association

Middle East Studies Association

LANGUAGES

Turkish (native), English (fluent), Arabic (beginner)