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Summary

Qualitative researcher and expert on areas of immigration, social memory, and rural sociology. Has extensive field experience including in-depth interviews and participant observation in both rural and urban settings in addition to experience in theoretical research. Completed PhD dissertation titled "Transformation in Habitus in an Exchangee Village in the Black Sea Region of Turkey". Made numerous presentations to Congress and Conferences and authored multiple publications on immigration and social memory issues.

Work Experience

BAHÇEŞEHİR UNIVERSITY, İstanbul, Turkey Assistant Professor	03/2021- Present
BAHÇEŞEHİR UNIVERSITY, İstanbul, Turkey Administrative Assistant	10/2016- 03/2021
GİRESUN UNIVERSITY, Giresun, Turkey Research Assistant	12/2011 – 10/2013
ARTVIN UNIVERSITY, Artvin, Turkey Research Assistant	2/2010 – 9/2011

Education

MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY Ph. D. in Sociology , Cum. GPA: 4.00/4.00	Ankara, Turkey 2015
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- **Dissertation Title:** Transformation in Habitus in an Exchangee Village in the Black Sea Region of Turkey, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Helga Rittersberger-Tılıç.
- **Visiting Research Scholar**, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, Department of Sociology, Philadelphia, PA, USA, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Sherry Grasmuck, Spring Semester, 2012-2013
- **Erasmus Student**, LUDWIG MAXIMILIAN UNIVERSITY, Department of Sociology, Munich, Germany, Spring Semester, 2009-2010

MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY MS in Sociology , Cum. GPA: 3.57/4.00	Ankara, Turkey 2007
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GAZI UNIVERSITY BS in Economics , Cum. GPA: 2.97/4.00	Ankara, Turkey 1999-2003
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Research Experience

Coordinator	ongoing
“Transformation of Hazelnut Production in the Rural Social Memory of Giresun” funded by Bahçeşehir University, BAP	
Researcher	9/2020-9/2021
“Rewriting History in Balat” funded by Bahçeşehir University, BAP	
Researcher	3/2020-4/2020
“Virüs mü Yoksulluk mu: Korona Virüs Salgınının Mevsimlik Gezici Tarım İşçileri ve Onların Çocukları ile Bitkisel Üretime Olası Etkileri Projesi - Hızlı Bir Değerlendirme” funded by Kalkınma Atölyesi and ILO	
Researcher	7/2018-6/2020
Project on “Resilience, Work and Gender in the (Turkish) Migratory Context” funded by Heinrich Böll Stiftung Turkey Representation	
Expert	3/2018- 6/2018
“Ambassador of Hope Project” conducted by The Center for Health, Society and Prevention Studies, Bahçeşehir University and İstanbul Lions Club.	
Contributing Expert	12/2016 - 5/2017
“Civil Society Dialogue, Harmonization of Refugees Project” conducted by The Research Center on Asylum and Migration and Migration Policy Group. http://www.multecilerinuyumu.org/EN/home	
Project Assistant	4/2007 – 4/2010
The Analysis of the Change in the Transfer, Utilization, and Impact of Remittances: the Cases of Migration from Yaglıdere to New York and Unlupinar to London” under the supervision of Assist. Prof. Aykan Erdemir funded by The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey	

Publications

- “Coffee Shop Owners as Unexpected Tourist Guides in Istanbul's Fener, Balat, and Ayvansaray Neighbourhoods”, with A. Nilüfer Narlı, *Sociology Lens*, April 2023 (Early Access), Accessible on <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/2832580x>
- “Zorunlu Göç Bağlamında Suriyeli Kadınların Ücretli İşgücüne Katılımında Toplumsal Cinsiyet Müzakeresi” with Lülüfer Körükmez, Didem Danış, *Alternatif Politika*, 14(2):201-228. Accessible on <https://doi.org/10.53376/ap.2022.07>
- “While the Modern Enchantment of the World is Breaking Down: Looking at COVID-19 Pandemic through the Lenses of Immigrants” (in Turkish) with Besim Can Zırh. 2021. in *Afetlerle Yoksullaşma: Salgınlar, Göçler ve Eşitsizlikler* Editor: Murad Tiryakioğlu. İstanbul: Bilgi University Press.

“Social Memory of the Greek-Turkish Population Exchange in Daily Life: a Case Study of a Tobacco-Producing Village in Turkey”, *Sociologia Ruralis*, 61(1) 2020 Accessible on <https://doi.org/10.1111/soru.12327>

“From the Immigrants’ Mirror World During the COVID-19 Pandemic” (in Turkish) with Besim Can Zırh. October, 2020. TESEV Briefs. Accesible on <https://www.tesev.org.tr/tr/research/gocmenlerin-aynasindan-kovid-19-salgininda-dunya/>

“Necessity, Negotiation, Change: Work Experiences and Gender Relations of Syrian Women in Turkish Migratory Context” (in Turkish and English), with Lülüfer Körükmez and Didem Daniş. 2020. GAR (the Association of Migration Research) and Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Turkey Representation. Accesible on: <https://www.gocarastirmalaridernegi.org/attachments/article/161/mecburiyet-muzareke-degisim-suriyeli-kadinlarin-calisma-deneyimler-ve-toplumsal-cinsiyet-iliskileri-.pdf>

“Virus or Poverty? Impact of Coronavirus Outbreak on Seasonal Migrant Agricultural Workers and their Children and on Crop Farming” (in Turkish and English) with Besim Can Zırh, Özgür Çetinkaya, Selin Ayaş, Ayşe Özsoy and Ertan Karabıyık. 2020. Kalkınma Atölyesi and ILO. Accesible on: <http://www.ka.org.tr/dosyalar/file/Yayinlar/Raporlar/TURKCE/Virus%20mu%20yoksulluk%20mu.pdf>

“Resilience, Work and Gender in the (Turkish) Migratory Context” (in English) with Lülüfer Körükmez and Cavidan Soykan. 2019. GAR (the Association of Migration Research) and Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Turkey Representation. Accesible on: <https://gocarastirmalaridernegi.org/attachments/article/64/resilience-work-and-gender.pdf>

“Exchangee Women of Black Sea” (in Turkish) in *Sırtında Sepeti: Bafra’dan Hopa’ya Karadeniz’de Kadınlık Halleri*. Editors: Ö. Şendeniz and E. Yıldırım. 2018. Ankara: Phoenix Yayınları.

Have not We Shared Much Salt and Bread Together? (in Turkish and Armenian). Editors with Nermin Pınar Erdoğan. 2017. Ankara: Kars Urban and Culture Research Association.

“Integration of Refugees in Turkey: Possibilities and Available Capacity” (in Turkish and English). (As a contributing expert). Author: Sema Karaca. 2017. İstanbul: The Research Center on Asylum and Migration and Migration Policy Group.

“Social Memory Practices and Greco-Turkish Population Exchange: the Case of Sarıdünya” (in Turkish). In *Bir Varmış, Bir Yokmuş*. Edited by Tahire Erman, Serpil Özaloğlu. 2017. İstanbul: Koç Üniversitesi Yayınları.

Researcher Experiences at Migration Studies in Turkey: A Reflexive Account of the Position of Researchers (in Turkish), with Yasemin Akis, Esra Demirkol, Meltem Hamit, Görkem Dağdelen, Figen Uzar-Özdemir, Nevin Şahin-Malkoç, Besim Can Zırh. In *Göçler Ülkesi*, edited by Lülüfer Körükmez and İlkay Südaş. 2015, İstanbul: Ayrıntı Yayınları.

Traces of Ankara in Philadelphia (in Turkish), July-August, 2015, SolFaSol.

“Transformation of *Tarhana*” (in Turkish), December, 2012. Amargi.

“Economic (Ir) rationality and Investment Patterns of the Immigrants: the Case of the Immigrants of Yağlıdere in New York” (in Turkish), with Assoc. Dr. A. Erdemir and G. Dagdelen. *Journal of Sociological Research*: 13(2), Fall 2010: 144-182. Accessible on <http://www.sosyolojidernegi.org.tr/dergi/izlec.php?dergi=2&id=14>

“Reading Historical Sociology via Turkey, Conversation with Çağlar Keyder” (in Turkish) in *Tarihsel Sosyoloji*, edited by Prof. Dr. Elisabeth Ozdalga. 97-124. *Ankara: Doğu- Batı Yayınevi, 2009*

Congresses and Papers

“Exchangee Habitus in a Black Sea Village of Turkey: Boundary Drawing and Community Making”, Greece, Turkey, and the Past and Present of Forced Migrations Conference, 5-6 September 2022, Newcastle University, UK.

“An Unfading Season: The Changing Structure of Seasonal Labour in the Agricultural Production in Turkey” with Dr. Besim Can Zırh, Challenging Rural Studies in Turkey: Present State and New Imaginaries, ESRS, 23-24 June, 2022.

“Defining ‘Us’: In the Mirror of Immigrants/Refugees during the Pandemic”, with Dr. Besim Can Zırh, 17th Annual Conference of Center for the Study of Citizenship, 1-14 June 2021, online.

“Exchangee Habitus: Understanding Social Memory in a Village in Turkey”, 2nd Memory Studies Association, 14th-16th December 2017, Copenhagen University, Copenhagen, Denmark.

“The Exchangee Women of Black Sea” (in Turkish), 15th National Social Science Congress of Turkey, 29th November-1st December 2017, METU, Ankara, Turkey.

“*Social Memory Practices and Greco-Turkish Population Exchange: the Case of Sarı Dünya Village*” (in Turkish), Memory and Culture Conference, 5th-7th September, 2013, Bilkent University, Ankara.

“*Work Strategies of 1989 Immigrants from Bulgaria in Ankara, Turkey,*” IUAES Inter-Congress: From the Crossroads of Civilizations: Understanding Cultural Diversity to Connect Societies, 3rd -6th October 2010, Antalya.

Economic (Ir)rationality and Immigrant Investment Patterns: Turks in New York” (in Turkish), with Assoc. Dr. Aykan Erdemir and Gorkem Dagdelen, paper presented at 6th National Sociology Congress, 1st-3rd October 2009 Adnan Menderes University, Didim, Aydın, Turkey.

“Economic (Ir)rationality and Immigrant Investment Patterns: Turks in New York,” with Gorkem Dagdelen, paper presented at Diaspora, Migration and Identities: Crossing Boundaries, New Directions, 11th -12th 2009, University of Surrey, Guilford, United Kingdom.

“Secular Preachings: the Case of Kocatepe Mosque Conference Hall,” paper presented at 2nd Annual Social Anthropology Graduate Student Symposium: The Kocatepe Mosque: Neighboring Differences and Negotiating Tensions, 1st June 2009, METU, Ankara, Turkey. Supported by METU, University of Pittsburgh and the Wenner-Gren Foundation

“Experiences of Modernity and Being a Worker in SEKA Aksu Paper Mill” (in Turkish), paper presented to the 11th Traditional Days of Sociology, on 14-16th May, 2008 at Muğla Univesity, Muğla, Turkey

“The Work Strategies of 1989 Immigrants from Bulgaria in Ankara” (in Turkish), paper presented to the 4th Cultural Studies Symposium: E/Im/Migration and Culture, on 15-17th September, 2007, at Işık University, Şile, İstanbul, Turkey

“A Presentation on Work Strategies of 1989 Immigrants from Bulgaria in Ankara, Turkey” paper presented to the 14th Annual Central Eurasian Studies Conference, on 31 March-1st April 2007 at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, USA. Sponsored by Scientific & Technologic Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)

Teaching

- Sociology of Food and Food Systems (in English). Spring 2021-2022
- Statistical Methods and Computer Applications in Social Sciences II (in English). Every Spring, since 2020-2021
- Rural Sociology (in English). Fall 2021-2022
- Statistical Methods and Computer Applications in Social Sciences I (in English). Every Fall 2021-2022
- Globalization and İstanbul (in English and Turkish). Spring 2020-2021
- Cultural Anthropology (in English). Fall 2019-2020 (teaching assistant)
- Rural Sociology (in English). Spring 2018-2019 (teaching assistant)
- Cultural Anthropology (in English). Fall 2018-2019 (teaching assistant)
- Introduction to Sociology (in Turkish). Fall 2017-2018 (teaching assistant)
- Qualitative Methods in Sociology (in English). Spring 2016-2017 (teaching assistant)
- Classical Sociological Theory (in Turkish). Fall 2010-2011

Professional Memberships

Memory Studies Association

The Association for Migration Research

Sociological Association (Turkey)

Additional Professional Activities

Member of Editorial Board of Journal of Sociological Research <https://dergipark.org.tr/en/pub/sosars>

References

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