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EDUCATION

1964 Diploma. Highland High School, Salt Lake City, Utah.
1968 B.A. in Political Science (cum laude), Yale University,
New Haven, Connecticut.
1975 M.A. in Sociology, Stanford University, Stanford, California.
1977 Ph.D. in Sociology, Stanford University, Stanford, California.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

1977-81 Assistant Professor, Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.
1981-82 Assistant Professor, Stanford University, Stanford, California.
1983-89 Associate Professor, Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.
1989-07 Professor, Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.
1990 Fulbright Scholar, Survey Research Center at the Institute for
Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
2007-present Professor, Bahcesehir University, Besiktas, Istanbul, Turkey

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

1979-81 Executive Committee member
The Institute for Pure and Applied Research in
Social and Administrative Sciences
Bogazici University
1983-84 Executive Committee member
Faculty of Arts and Sciences
Bogazici University
1984-90 Executive Committee member
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
Bogazici University
1988 Acting Chair
Department of Political Science and International Relations
Bogazici University
1992-94 Director
The Institute for Social Sciences
Bogazici University
1992-94 Academic Senate member
1996-98 Bogazici University
1992-93 Director

1994-96	The Summer School Bogazici University Founding Director General The Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation (TESEV). (An independent think tank and policy research institute)
1996-1998	Provost, Bogazici University
2000-2007	Executive Committee member Bogazici University
2002-2007	Founding Director UNDP/BU Human Development Center
2010-2011	President, Bahcesehir University

RESEARCH AND EDITORIAL POSITIONS

1981	Selection Committee member The Middle East Awards in Population and Development (MEAWARDS), Cairo, Egypt
1988-93	Coeditor <i>Journal of Economic and Administrative Sciences</i> , Bogazici University
1990	Fulbright Research Fellow The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
1993-2001	Steering Committee member The World Values Surveys
2001-2013	Executive Committee member The World Values Surveys
2013-present	Vice Chair, Scientific Advisory Board The World Values Surveys
1997-present	Scientific Advisory Board Member and Country Coordinator European Social Survey project
1998-2001	Planning Committee member Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES)
1999-present	Principal Investigator for Turkey European Values Studies coordinated by the European Values Foundation
2004-2005	Coordinator, <i>UNDP Human Development Report, Turkey</i>
2004- present	Editorial Board Member <i>Journal of Civil Society</i>
2004- present	Advisory Board Member <i>World Cultures Report</i>
2004- 2012	EU 6 th Framework Network of Excellence partner “Sustainable Development in a Diverse World.”
2004- 2009	EU 6 th Framework Network of Excellence partner “Wider Europe, Deeper Integration? Constructing Europe.”

2008-2012	EU 7 th Framework Collaborative Project Partner “Sensitive Technologies and European Public Ethics”
2004-2007	Advisory Board Member Prince Claus Fund, Committee on Culture and Development, Netherlands
2015-2017	Research Associate, Stellenbosch University, S. Africa

FIELD EXPERIENCE (partial list)

Principal or co-investigator in following projects:

1986	Nationwide survey of the economic and social situation of Turkish households.
1987	Survey of firms registered with the Chambers of Commerce and/or Industry in Istanbul.
1990,1996, 2000, 2007, 2011	Turkish Values Surveys (part of World Values Surveys).
1991	Survey on gender issues in Istanbul.
1992	Survey on democratic culture in Istanbul.
1992	Survey behavior and attitudes related to the media in Istanbul.
1993	Survey on attitudes towards the state and taxation in Istanbul.
1994	Survey on Islamic fundamentalism and political Islam
1998	Follow-up of the 1994 survey on political Islam.
1999	Post-election survey
2001	Turkish Values Survey (part of the European Values Survey).
2002	Turkish post-election survey including the international CSES module.
2003	Survey of the values of the economic elites.
2005-06	European Social Survey, Round 2
2007	Transformation Research Initiative (study of elite values in seven countries)
2008	European Values Study (Turkey)
2008	European Social Survey, Round 4 (Turkey)
2009	Extremism and Radicalization in Turkey: a nationwide survey
2013-15	Comparative Study of Members of Parliament
2017-20	Willows Impact Evaluation: Reproductive Health Study in Ghana, Pakistan, Tanzania, and Turkey (Principal Investigator for the Impact Evaluation in Turkey-joint project between Harvard University T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Bahcesehir University)
2019-20	The Legacy Study-Turkey (part of The Legacy Study- joint project between WZB (Berlin Social Science Center) and Bahcesehir University)
2018	Turkish Values Survey (part of the World Values Survey).
2019	Turkish Values Survey (part of the European Values Survey).
1977-present	Consultant/advisor to various academic surveys and public opinion research projects.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1979 "Political Mobilization and Economic Development." in Meyer, J. W. and M. T. Hannan (eds.), *National Development and the World System: Educational, Economic and Political Change, 1950-1970*. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.
- 1979 "University Entrance Examinations and Performance in College: A Methodological Appraisal." *Journal of Social Sciences*, Bogazici University, 7:1-13 (in Turkish).
- 1981 *Development, Value of Children and Fertility: A Causal Model of Fertility Behavior Among Turkish Women*. (monograph with C. Kagitcibasi) Istanbul: Bogazici University.
- 1985 "Effects of Immigrant Workers on Educational Stratification in Germany." (with W. Baker, G. Lenhardt and J. W. Meyer), *Sociology of Education*.
- 1986 *Socio-economic Status and Expectations in the Turkish Household*. (with H. Fisek and E. Kalaycioglu). Istanbul: Tusiad (in Turkish).
- 1987 *The Socio-economic Situation and the Outlook of the Turkish Household: A Report on the Findings of a Nationwide Survey*. (with H. Fisek and E. Kalaycioglu). Istanbul: Tusiad.
- 1987 *The Business World: Problems, Expectations, Priorities*. (with H. Fisek and E. Kalaycioglu). Istanbul: Tusiad (in Turkish).
- 1988 *Total Factor Productivity in Turkey: A Longitudinal and Comparative Analysis of Total Factor Productivity Growth in Turkish Manufacturing Industries, 1970-85*. (with S. Ozmucur). Monograph prepared for the World Bank.
- 1988 *Modernization, Industrialization and Development Indicators in Turkey*. (with H. Fisek and E. Kalaycioglu). Istanbul: Tusiad (in Turkish).
- 1989 "The Distribution of Resources in Istanbul." in Heper, M. (ed.), *Local Government in Turkey*. London: Routledge.
- 1990 "Sample Selection in Public Opinion Research." in Varol, M. (ed.), *Kamuoyu Arastirmalari Birinci Uluslararası Sempozyumu*. Ankara: Ankara Universitesi (in Turkish).
- 1991 "Manufacturing Industries: Giants with Hesitant Voices." in

- Heper, M. (ed.), *Strong State and Economic Interest Groups: The Post-1980 Turkish Experience*. Berlin and New York: Walter de Gruyter.
- 1991 *Values in Turkish Society*. (with U. Erguder and E. Kalaycioglu). Istanbul: Tusiad (in Turkish).
- 1992 “Women in Istanbul.” *Istanbul*, 3:98-108 (in Turkish).
- 1993 “Market Economy, Privatization and the ‘Laws’ of Economics.” *Toplum ve Ekonomi*, 4:1-12 (in Turkish).
- 1993 “Similarities and Differences in Perception and Expression Between Spouses.” in Arat, N. (ed.) *Kadin ve Cinsellik*. Istanbul: Say Yayinlari (in Turkish).
- 1995 “Parties and the Electorate: A Comparative Analysis of Voter Profiles of Turkish Political Parties.” in Balim, C. (ed.) *Turkey: Political, Social and Economic Challenges in the 1990s*. Leiden, New York, Cologne: Brill.
- 1996-97 *Human Development Report 1996-97 Turkey* (editor and administrative coordinator) Istanbul: UNDP.
- 1996 “Turkish Public Opinion and Europe.” *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, 10: 79-87.
- 1997 “Turk Kamuoyu ve Avrupa.” (translation of the previous publication) in Gokay, B. *Turkiye Avrupa'nin Neresinde?* Ankara: Ayrac.
- 1998 “Moral Values and Social Change.” in *Türkiye’de Bunalım ve Çıkış Yolları*. Ankara: Turkish Academy of Sciences: (in Turkish).
- 1999 *Revolution, Evolution and Status Quo: social, political and economic values in Turkey*. Istanbul: Tesev. (in Turkish).
- 2002 *Politics, Parties and Elections in Turkey* (coedited with Sabri Sayari), Boulder, Colorado: Lynne Rienner.
- 2003 “Is There an Islamic Civilization?” *Comparative Sociology*, vol. I no. 3-4: 265-298; reprinted in Inglehart, Ronald, ed, *Human Values and Social Change*, 2003, Leiden-Boston: Brill. 35-68.

- 2004 “Cross-cultural Comparisons, Survey Methodology and the Values Surveys.” in Inglehart, Ronald, et. al., eds., *Human Beliefs and Values: a cross-cultural sourcebook..*, Mexico City: Siglo XXI. 385-397.
- 2004 “Changing Values and the Media.” *Bogazici Journal*, vol 18, no. 1-2: 161-172.
- 2005 “European Values’ and Democratic Development: Achieving Unity within Diversity.” in Mellbourn, Anders, ed., *Development, Security and Conflict Prevention: Security as a Millennium Goal* (Anna Lindh Programme on Conflict Prevention). Hedemona, Sweden:Gidlunds. 105-120.
- 2006 “Turkey: Torn Between Two Civilizations.” in Harrison, Lawrence E. and Peter L. Berger, eds., *Developing Cultures: Case Studies.*, New York and London: Routledge. 217-234.
- 2006 *Comparative Sociology*, Vol. 5, no. 2-3, Guest Editor (with Thorleif Pettersson).
- 2006 “Globalization, ‘McDonaldization’ and Values: Quo Vadis?” *Comparative Sociology*, Vol. 5, no. 2-3: 183-202.
- 2007 *Measuring and Mapping Cultures: 25 Years of Comparative Value Surveys.* (co-edited with Thorleif Pettersson). Leiden and Boston: Brill.
- 2007 “The effects of religion and religiosity on voting behavior.” (with Thorleif Pettersson) in Klingemann, Hans-Dieter and Russell Dalton, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Political Behavior*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.481-503.
- 2008 *Changing Values, Persisting Cultures: Case Studies in Value Change* (co-edited with Thorleif Pettersson). Leiden and Boston: Brill.
- 2009 *Religion, Democratic Values and Political Conflict* (co-edited with Hans-Dieter Klingemann and Bi Puranen). Uppsala: Uppsala University Press.
- 2009 ”Fitting Islam into the European Union: The Impact of Secular Education” in Esmer, Klingemann and Puranen, eds., *Religion, Democratic Values and Political Conflict*. Uppsala: Uppsala University Press. 2009. 45-60.

- 2009 *The International System, Democracy and Values* (co-edited with Thorleif Pettersson). Uppsala, Uppsala University Press.
- 2010 “Diversity and Tolerance: Rhetoric versus Reality” in Janssens, Maddy, et al., eds., *The Sustainability of Cultural Diversity: Nations, Cities and Organizations*. Cheltenham, U.K. and Northampton, MA, USA: Edward Elgar. 131-155.
- 2010 “Elite and Mass Values: Religion as an Intervening Factor” in Van Beek, Ursula J., ed., *Democracy under Scrutiny: Elites, Citizens, Cultures*. Opladen and Farmington Hills, MI, USA: Barbara Budrich Publishers. 221-240.
- 2011 “The 2010 Eurobarometer on the Life Sciences.” (with Gaskell, George; Allansdotter, Agnes; Allum, Nick, *et.al.* *Nature Biotechnology*, 29(2), 113-114.
- 2012 *Değişimin Kültürel Sınırları: Türkiye Değerler Atlası 2012*. İstanbul: Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi Yayınları. (Cultural Limits of Change: Atlas of Turkish Values).
- 2013 “Democracy, Civil Society and Islam” in Dekker, Paul, Loek Halman and Joep de Hart, eds. *Religion and Civil Society in Europe*. Springer.
- 2015 *Türkiye’de Siyaset Bilimine Yön Verenler: Kuram, Yöntem ve Süreçler*, İstanbul: Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi Yayınları.
- 2015 “Economic Crisis and Political Polarization: A Challenge to Civic Culture?” *Taiwan Journal of Democracy*, vol. 11, no 1, 129-46.
- 2018 “Dimensions of Political representation: Ideological and Policy Congruence between the Representative and the Represented in Seven Countries” with B. A. Okçuoğlu, *Historical Social Research*.
- 2019 “Identity Politics: Extreme Polarization and the Loss of Capacity to Compromise in Turkey” in Van Beek, Ursula, ed. *Democracy under Threat: A Crisis of Legitimacy? (Challenges to Democracy in the 21st Century)*. Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan. 121-146.
- 2020 “Electoral Behavior: Urban Myths versus Realities” with D. Karadon and S. S. Baykal in Sokullu, Ebru Canan, ed. *Turkey in Transition: Politics, Society and Foreign Policy*, Berlin: Peter Lang. 43-62.

- 2020 “Political Culture: A Tale of Two Civilizations” with B. A. Okçuoğlu and S. Karataş in Sokullu, Ebru Canan, ed. *Turkey in Transition: Politics, Society and Foreign Policy*, Berlin: Peter Lang. 81-100.
- 2020 “Estimating abortion prevalence and understanding perspectives of community leaders and providers: Results from a mixed-method study in Istanbul, Turkey” with S. H. Krum, D. Karadon, S. Kurutaş, J. Rohr, S.S. Baykal, B. A. Okçuoğlu, D. Canning and I. Shah, *Women’s Health*.
- 2021 “Contraceptive discontinuation and switching in urban Istanbul region in Turkey” with S. Kurutaş, S. H. Krum, S. S. Baykal, J. Rohr, D. Karadon, N. Kaur, B.A. Okçuoğlu, D. Canning, I. Shah, *International Journal of Gynecology & Obstetrics*.
- 2021 “Effect of distance to health facilities and access to contraceptive services among urban Turkish women” with R. Sato, J. Rohr, S. H. Krum, B. A. Okçuoğlu, D. Karadon, *The European Journal of Contraception and Reproductive Health Care*
- 1977-present Numerous lectures, conference papers, newspaper and magazine articles, workshop and seminar contributions.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Comparative study of values; cross-cultural research; cultural diversity, convergence/divergence of values; elite and mass values; religion an politics.
- Methodology of social sciences; quantitative applications in social sciences; survey methods (sampling of human populations, questionnaire design, analysis of data).
- Human development, social change and modernization; democratization; Islam and democracy/modernization.
- Cultural perspectives on European integration.
- Corporate culture