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EDUCATION

- 2004 **MCGILL UNIVERSITY**
 Department of Sociology
- PhD
 - Dissertation Title: *Social aftershocks: Rent seeking, state failure and state civil society relations in Turkey.*
 - Dissertation supervisor: John A. Hall
- 1999 **MCGILL UNIVERSITY**
 Department of Sociology
- M.A.
- 1997 **BOĞAZIÇI UNIVERSITY**
 Department of Economics
- B.A.

TEACHING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

2018- present **Associate Professor,**
 Department of Political Science and International Relations,
 Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul

Courses currently taught

- Environmental Politics
- Introduction to Politics and Society
- State and Society (Political Sociology)
- Politics of Gender
- Society, Culture and Identity

Summer 2017 **Visiting Researcher,**
 CliSAP,
 Hamburg University, Hamburg

Fall 2005-2017 **Assistant Professor,**
 Department of Political Science and International Relations,
 Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul

2015-2016 **Mercator-IPC Research Fellow,**

Istanbul Policy Center

- Conducted fieldwork, convened workshops and published commentaries and reports on climate change and civil society in Turkey
- Convened the conference '*Cosmopolitanism revisited in a world of rising populism, deepening polarization, and rampant neoliberalism*'

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| Fall 2004 | Lecturer, Department of International Relations, Koç University, Istanbul |
| Fall 2004 | Lecturer, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Bahçeşehir University, Istanbul |
| Winter 2003 | Lecturer, Department of Sociology, McGill University, Montreal |
| Summer 2002 | Lecturer, Department of Sociology, McGill University, Montreal |
| 1997-2002 | Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, McGill University, Montreal |

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Mercator research grant, 'Humanitarian policy responses to the refugee issue', Istanbul Policy Center, Sabancı University, 2017-2018.
- Visiting researcher, 'Translocal encounters: a comparative perspective on climate justice networks in Germany and Turkey', CliSAP, Hamburg University, June-September 2017.
- Mercator-IPC Fellow, 'Politics of climate change as a transnational public sphere: cosmopolitan networks, local mobilization', Istanbul Policy Center, Sabancı University, 2015-2016.
- TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) 1001 Support program for the project 'The analysis of labor force participation decision of high school and university graduate women in Turkey', (with Gökçe Uysal) project # 113K365, 2013-2015.
- TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) Small Grants Award for the project 'The role of civil society organizations in environmental protection and policy making in Turkey' (with Fikret Adaman, Zeynep Kadirbeyoğlu, and Begüm Özkaynak), project # 108K383, 2008-2009.
- Dissertation Finishing Fellowship, McGill University, 2004.
- Alma Mater Student Travel Grant, McGill University, Fall 2003.

- McGill Center for Developing Area Studies Fellowship, 2000.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters:

- ‘State, Civil Society, and Syrians in Turkey’, (with E. Fuat Keyman) in K. Rygiel and F. Baban (ed.), *Fostering pluralism through solidarity activism in Europe: Everyday encounters with newcomers*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2020.
- ‘Politicizing the environment: the ecological crisis of Turkey’, in Canan-Sokullu, E. (ed) *Turkey in transition: Politics, society, and foreign policy*, Berlin: Peter Lang, 2020.
- ‘Factors that shape the labor force participation decision of educated women in Turkey: Gendered preferences and practices’, (with Gökçe Uysal), in Nuroğlu and Çatak (ed.), *The Role of Women in Turkish Economy: Current Situation, Problems and Policies*, Peter Lang, 2020.
- ‘Contesting the ‘Third Bridge’ in Istanbul: local environmentalism, cosmopolitan attachments?’, in Fisher Onar, Pearce, and Keyman (ed.), *Istanbul: Living with Difference in a Global City*, Rutgers University Press, 2018.
- ‘The politics of serving’ and neoliberal developmentalism: the megaprojects of the AKP as tools of hegemony building’, in Adaman, Akbulut and Arsel (ed.), *Neoliberal Turkey and its discontents: Economic policy and the environment under Erdoğan*, I. B. Tauris: 103-119, 2017.
- ‘The effectiveness of environmental civil society organizations: an integrated analysis of organizational characteristics and contextual factors’, (with Z. Kadirbeyoğlu, F. Adaman, and B. Özkaynak), *Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 28, 4: 1717-1741, 2017. (SSCI)
- ‘Environmental organizations in Turkey: engaging the state and capital’, with (Fikret Adaman, Zeynep Kadirbeyoglu, Begüm Ozkaynak), *Environmental Politics*, 22, 5: 760-778, 2013. (SSCI)
- ‘Erken Evlilik Kadına Şiddetin Başka bir Yüzü’, with Gökçe Uysal and Duygu Güner, in Gürsel (ed.), *Türkiye Ekonomisinde Büyüme ve Yapısal Sorunlar*, Bahcesehir Üniversitesi Yayınları: 224-228, 2013.
- ‘Çalışmak Hayat Kurtarır’, with Gökçe Uysal, in Gürsel (ed.), *Türkiye Ekonomisinde Büyüme ve Yapısal Sorunlar*, Bahcesehir Üniversitesi Yayınları: 229-235, 2013.
- ‘Towards Cosmopolitan Citizenship? Women’s Rights in Divided Turkey’ (with Nora Fisher Onar), *Theory and Society*, 41: 375-394, 2012. (SSCI)

- ‘Küresel Çevre Politikası ve Sivil Toplum: Akdeniz’de Sürdürülebilirlik Yolunda Türkiye çevre örgütlerinin rolü’, *Marmara Avrupa Araştırmaları Dergisi (Marmara Journal of European Studies)*, 20, 1 (Çevre Özel sayısı): 151-176, 2012.
- ‘Reflection of the state in the Turkish Red Crescent: From Modernization to Corruption to Reform?’, *Middle Eastern Studies*, 43, 4: 647-660, July 2007. (SSCI)
- ‘Particularistic interactions: state (in)capacity, civil society and disaster management in Turkey’, in Adaman and Arsel (ed.), *Environmentalism in Turkey: Between Democracy and Development*, Ashgate, 2005.

Research reports and notes:

- Arts and Culture for Ecological Transformation, Istanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts, February 2021.
- ‘Practicing co-existence in civil society: Syrian refugees in Turkey’, Istanbul Policy Center, June 2019.
- ‘Promises and challenges of diversity: The role of civil society initiatives in fostering pluralism’, with Feyzi Baban, Fuat Keyman, Kim Rygiel, Istanbul Policy Center, October 2018.
- ‘Syrians in Turkey’, with G. Cloeters, S. Osserian, K. Biehl, W. Hochberger, E. Üçkardeşler, Istanbul Policy Center, September 2018.
- ‘Cosmopolitan democracy revisited in a world of rising populism, deepening polarization, and rampant neoliberalism’, Istanbul Policy Center, July 2017.
- ‘Who takes care of the children? Female Labor Force Participation and gender inequality’ (‘Çocuklara Kim Bakıyor? Kadın İşgücüne Katılımı ve Toplumsal Cinsiyet’), with Gökçe Uysal, BETAM (Bahçeşehir University Center for Economic and Social Research), Research Brief 16/202, 20/12/2016, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/ArastirmaNotu202.pdf>.
- ‘Discrimination and Sexual Harrassment in the Labor Market’ (İşgücü Piyasasında Ayrımcılık ve Taciz’), with Gökçe Uysal, BETAM (Bahçeşehir University Center for Economic and Social Research), Research Brief 15/187, 04/09/2015, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/ArastirmaNotu187.pdf>.
- ‘The value of working for women’ (‘Çalışmanın Kadınlar için Değeri’), with Gökçe Uysal and Melike Kökkızıl, BETAM (Bahçeşehir University Center for Economic and Social Research), Research Brief 15/186, 04/08/2015, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/ArastirmaNotu186.pdf>.
- ‘The participation of the green movement in the political sphere’, in Perspectives, the Journal of Political Commentary and Analysis from Turkey, 4, 2013, <http://tr.boell.org/web/51-1654.html>.
- ‘The role of Civil Society Organizations in environmental protection and policy-making in Turkey’ (‘Türkiye’de Çevre Koruması ve Politikalarında STK’ların Rolü’), research report prepared for TÜBİTAK, small grants award, project # 108K383, 2010.

- ‘Where is Turkey on the road to Copenhagen?’ (‘Kopenhag Yolunda Türkiye Nerede?’), with Barış Gençer Baykan, BETAM (Bahçeşehir University Center for Economic and Social Research), Research Brief 055, 04/12/2009, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2009/12/ArastirmaNotu055.pdf>.
- ‘Identity politics and participation in women’s rights organizations in Turkey’, research report prepared for CIVICUS Civil Society Index (CSI) project analytical country report for Turkey II, 2009.
- ‘Women and Civil Society in Turkey: Current Trends’, (‘Türkiye’de Kadın ve Sivil Toplum: Örgütlenme ve Son Eğilimler’, with Barış Gençer Baykan and Selin Özoğuz), BETAM (Bahçeşehir University Center for Economic and Social Research), Research Brief 015, 06/11/2008, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2008/11/ArastirmaNotu015.pdf>.
- ‘Environment and Civil Society in Turkey: Current Trends’ (‘Türkiye’de Çevre ve Sivil Toplum: Örgütlenme ve Son Eğilimler’ with Barış Gençer Baykan), BETAM, Research Brief 008, 28/05/2008, <http://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/en/archives/106>.

Selected opinion-editorials:

- ‘What is in a signature? The Paris Agreement and Turkey’s position’, Hürriyet Daily News, 23.04.2016
- ‘Dams and Democracy: has the last word been said on Hasankeyf?’, Open Democracy, 25.02.2016
- ‘Sivil topluma göre Paris: iklim adaleti tarihinin başlangıcı’ (‘Paris according to civil society: the beginning of the history of climate justice’), Radikal, 11.12.2015
- ‘Çevre yoksa oy da yok!’ (‘No vote without the environment’), Radikal2, 29.05.2011

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Building translocal commons: climate justice networks in Turkey and Germany (book manuscript)
- ‘Untangling the complex landscape of climate justice politics in Turkey’, (with E. Turhan and B. A. Uncu).

CONFERENCE and WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- ‘The impact of political context on ecological struggles’ (‘Siyasi Bağlamın Ekolojik Mücadelesine Etkisi’), webinar (invited), Yaşar University, 2021.
- ‘The role of arts in tackling the climate crisis’ (‘İklim Krizi ile Mücadelede Sanatın Rolü’), webinar (invited), İstanbul Bilgi University, 2021.
- ‘COVID-19 Pandemic and the Climate Crisis at the 5th Anniversary of the Paris Agreement’ webinar (invited), Istanbul Policy Center, 2020.

- 'Building translocal commons: climate justice networks in Turkey and Germany' European Sociological Association (ESA) Conference, Manchester, August 2019.
- 'From hospitality to governance: Syrians in Turkey' (with Fuat Keyman), Opening communities to Newcomers: Cosmopolitanism, Solidarity Activism, and Cultural Connections workshop (invited), Balsillie School of International Affairs, Canada, June 2019.
- 'Cosmopolitan democracy: perspectives in an age of national populists', 'Goodbye to elitism: Anchoring global governance in societies expert workshop (invited), SEF and University of Duisburg-Essen, September 2018.
- 'Kanal İstanbul'un Ekolojik, Ekonomik ve Sosyal Boyutu' ('The ecological, economic and social aspects of channel Istanbul'), Çılgın Projeler konferansı (invited), Yeşil Düşünce Derneği, April 2018.
- 'Küresel bir müşterek olarak iklim adaleti: kozmopolit vatandaşlık iklim meselesine katkı sunabilir mi?' ('Climate justice as a global commons: can cosmopolitan citizenship make a contribution to the climate issue?'), İklim Kafe Konuşmaları (invited), April 2018.
- 'Practicing co-existence in civil society: Syrian refugees in Turkey', Living with others: Fostering cultural pluralism through citizenship politics workshop, Humboldt University, March 2018.
- 'Climate justice', 'Thermic power plants and human rights' symposium (invited), September 2017.
- 'Translocal encounters: a comparative perspective on climate justice networks in Turkey and Germany', CLISEC, Hamburg University, August 2017.
- 'Ecological solidarities: from the local to the global', Cosmopolitan democracy revisited in a world of rising populism, deepening polarization, and rampant neoliberalism conference, Istanbul Policy Center, October 2016.
- 'Eğitimli Kadınların Çalışma Hayatına Katılım Kararları: Çocuk Bakımı, esneklik ve toplumsal cinsiyet' ('The labor force participation decisions of educated women: childcare, flextime and gender'), (with Gökçe Uysal), Üretim Araştırmaları Sempozyumu (invited), Istanbul Technical University, October 2016.
- 'Engaging climate change in transnational spheres: cosmopolitan concerns, local mobilization and environmental civil society in Turkey', Third ISA Forum of Sociology, July 2016.
- 'Eğitimli kadınların çalışma hayatına katılım kararları: çocuk bakımı, esneklik ve toplumsal cinsiyet' ('The labor force participation decisions of educated women: childcare, flextime, and gender'), (with Gökçe Uysal), Bahçeşehir University, June 2016.
- 'Climate change mobilizations in Turkey', Institut Français d'Etudes Anatoliennes (IFEA) (invited), December 1st, 2015.
- 'İklim adaleti, müşterekler ve yerel-küresel ekseninde Türkiye'de çevre hareketleri' ('Climate justice, commons and environmental movements in Turkey at the local-global axis'), Istanbul Climate Forum, Boğaziçi University, November 2015.

- ‘Cosmopolitan spheres of local environmental action’, European Sociological Association (ESA), 12th international conference, August 2015.
- ‘Labor force participation decisions of educated women in Turkey: a multidisciplinary approach’ (with Gökçe Uysal), Turkish Labor Market Research Network Conference, June 2015.
- ‘Türkiye’de eğitimli kadınların işgücü piyasasıyla imtihanı: olanaklar, kısıtlar, algılar’ (‘The challenges of the labor market for women in Turkey: opportunities constraints, and perceptions’), BETAM-PIARS Seminar, Bahçeşehir University, January 14, 2015.
- ‘Making civil society analysis multidimensional: context, contingencies and interactions’, International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) 10th international conference, July 2012.
- ‘Effectiveness of environmental organizations: myth or reality?’ (with Z. Kadirbeyoğlu, B. Özkaynak, F. Adaman), European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE) 9th international conference, June 2011.
- ‘Cosmopolitanism, the environment and Istanbul as the Other’, Istanbul in a Globalizing World: Prospects for Cosmopolitanism symposium, December 2010.
- ‘Civil society organizations in Turkey: assessing interactions and impact in environmental politics’ (with Z. Kadirbeyoğlu, B. Özkaynak, F. Adaman), International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) 9th international conference, July 2010, http://www.istr.org/Abstracts2010/pdf/ISTR2010_0446.pdf.
- ‘Reflections of cosmopolitanism on civil society: channels of participation in global publics for environmental networks in Turkey’, International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) 9th international conference, July 2010, http://www.istr.org/Abstracts2010/pdf/ISTR2010_0651.pdf.
- ‘Kimlik Siyaseti ve Türkiye’de Vatandaş Katılımı: kadın hakları örgütleri örneği’ (Identity politics and citizen participation in Turkey: the case of women’s rights organizations’), Departmental Seminar Series, Bahçeşehir University, November 2009.
- ‘The Impact of State Failure on Civil Society Organizations in Turkey following the 1999 Earthquake: The Case of a Search and Rescue Voluntary Organization’, European Sociological Association (ESA), 6th International Conference, September 2003, www.erc.gr/English/d&scrn/murcia-papers/session8/1.htm .
- Thesis workshop, European University Institute, Florence, July 2001.
- ‘Rent-seeking State-Society Relations’, McGill Center for Developing Area Studies, December 2000, Discussion paper No. 92.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political sociology (specifically civil society, cosmopolitan citizenship, state theory), political ecology, transnational politics of environment and climate change, politics of gender.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Convener, (with F. Baban, F. Keyman, K. Rygiel), *Living with others: Fostering cultural pluralism through citizenship politics*, March 2018, Berlin.
- Convener, *Cosmopolitan democracy revisited in a world of rising populism, deepening polarization, and rampant neoliberalism*, October 2016, Istanbul.
- Convener, *Workshop on civil society and climate change II: different approaches, common solutions* ('Sivil toplum ve iklim deęişikliği çalıştayı II: İklim deęişikliğine farklı yaklaşımlar, ortak çözümler'), June 2016, Istanbul.
- Convener, *Workshop on civil society and climate change: local and beyond- ecological struggles in Turkey* ('Sivil toplum ve iklim deęişikliği çalıştayı: Türkiye'de yerel ve ötesinde ekoloji mücadelesi'), May 2016, İzmir.
- Convener, (with Nora Fisher Onar), *Grounding Cosmopolitanism: Theory and practice through the prism of women's rights*, March 2013, Istanbul.
- Reviewer for *Theory and Society, New Perspectives on Turkey, Turkish Studies, Energy Research and Social Science, Democratization, Frontiers, Environmental Politics, Territory, Politics, Governance, International Migration, Social Politics*.
- Member of local organizing committee, the 9th International Conference of the European Society for Ecological Economics, ESEE 2011.

LANGUAGES

- Turkish: native
- English: native fluency
- French: intermediate