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Ph.D. Candidate

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Education

- 2018– **Washington University in St. Louis**
Ph.D. in Political Science
- 2016–2018 **Sabancı University**
M.A. in Political Science
- 2011–2016 **Boğaziçi University**
B.A. in Political Science and International Relations
- 2015 **Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po Paris)**
Erasmus+

Research Interests

Political violence, conflict and security, Middle Eastern politics, political methodology.

Research

State Oppression, Activist Propaganda, and Support for Militancy

Dissertation Project

Peace Negotiations and Civilian Targeting, *Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Conflict Resolution*

Does UN Peacekeeping Protect Civilians?, *Under Review*

(with William G. Nomikos and Rob Williams)

Strike When they Aren't Looking: Great Power Crises and Threats to Rule, *Under Review*

(with David Carter)

How Foreign Policy Crisis Shapes Public Opinion on Social Media, *APSA Foreign Policy Division Best Paper Award*

(with Amaan Charaniya, Rex Deng, Jin Kim, Gechun Lin, William G. Nomikos)

Displacement, not Obstruction: How States Manage a Complex Media Landscape, *Working Paper*

(with Afiq bin Oslan)

The Impact of Court Packing on the Turkish Constitutional Court Decisions

MA Thesis

Dissertation Committee

David Carter (Chair), Deniz Aksoy, William Nomikos, Christopher Lucas

Skills

Software R, Python, Stata, SPSS, L^AT_EX.

Language Turkish (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate), Arabic (reading)

Grants and Awards

- 2023 **Conflict Processes Section Travel Award**, *American Political Science Association*, \$150
- 2022 **Global Studies Small Research Grant**, *Global Studies, WUSTL*, \$2000

- 2022 **First Generation Scholars in the Profession Travel and Accessibility Grant**, *American Political Science Association*, \$200
- 2022 **Travel Grant**, *American Political Science Association*, \$150
- 2021 **Research Grant**, *Weidenbaum Center, WUSTL*, \$10,000
- 2021 **Research Seed Grant**, *Department of Political Science, WUSTL*, \$3,000
- 2018 **McDonnell International Scholars Academy Ph.D. Scholarship**, *WUSTL*, Full Tuition, Monthly Stipend, Travel Allowance
- 2017 **Full Scholarship**, *Sabancı University*, Full Tuition, Accommodation, Monthly Stipend

Teaching Experience

- 2022 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 317: Conflict and Security in International Relations*, *WUSTL*
Graded exams and problem sets; held regular office hours.
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 337: Climate Change and Conflict*, *WUSTL*.
Graded exams and problem sets; held regular office hours.
- 2021&2023 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 102: Introduction to Comparative Politics*, *WUSTL*.
Prepared and led weekly problem sessions for the undergraduate course; held regular office hours.
- 2020 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 3772: Globalization and National Politics*, *WUSTL*.
Graded exams and problem sets; held regular office hours.
- 2020 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 339: Political Violence*, *WUSTL*.
Graded exams and problem sets; held regular office hours.
- 2019 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 505: Theories of Individual and Collective Choice I*, *WUSTL*.
Prepared and led weekly problem sessions for the first year graduate course; graded exams and problem sets; held regular office hours.
- 2016-2018 **Teaching Assistant**, *SPS303: Law and Ethics*, *Sabancı University*.
Prepared and led weekly discussion sessions for the advanced undergraduate course; graded exams and response papers; held regular office hours.
- 2017 **Facilitator**, *GR501: Academic Practices and Development*, *Sabancı University*.
Introduced newly admitted graduate students to active learning and effective teaching techniques.
- 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *POLS202: History of the Political Thought*, *Boğaziçi University*.
Prepared and led weekly discussion sessions for the core undergraduate course; held regular office hours and problem sessions.

Conference and Workshop Attendance

- 2023 **Peace Science Society International, Annual Meeting**, November 9-11, St. Louis, MO
- 2023 **APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, Rights and Responsibilities in an Age of Mis- and Disinformation**, August 31-September 3, Los Angeles, CA
- 2023 **Society for Political Methodology, Annual Meeting**, July 9-11, Palo Alto, CA
- 2022 **Peace Science Society International, Annual Meeting**, November 3-5, Denver, CO
- 2022 **Bridging the Gap, New Era Workshop**, October 7-9, Denver, CO
- 2022 **APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, Rethink, Restructure, and Reconnect: Towards A Post-Pandemic Political Science**, September 15-18, Montreal, Québec, Canada
- 2022 **APSA MENA Conference, New Landscapes in MENA Politics Research**, July 28-30, Amman, Jordan
- 2022 **ISA Annual Convention, A Wider Discipline For A Smaller World**, March 28-April 2, Nashville, TN
- 2021 **ISA Midwest, Annual Regional Conference**, November 19-21, St. Louis, MO
- 2021 **Peace Science Society International, Annual Meeting**, November 19-20, Online