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Appointment

2024– **Harvard University**
College Fellow, Department of Government

Education

2018–2024 **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

International relations, conflict and security, great power politics, political methodology.

Publications

Peace Negotiations and Civilian Targeting, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.
(Conditionally Accepted)

Under Review

Let Activists Protest and Speak: How Peaceful Actors Curb Militant Support
Job Market Paper

Does UN Peacekeeping Protect Civilians?
(with William G. Nomikos and Rob Williams)

Strike When they Aren't Looking: Great Power Crises and Threats to Rule
(with David Carter)

Displacement, not Obstruction: Why Insecure Leaders Need Not Fear Free Media
(with Afiq bin Oslan)

Working Paper

Militant Propaganda at Times of War and Peace

How Foreign Policy Crisis Shapes Public Opinion on Social Media
(with Amaan Charaniya, Rex Deng, Jin Kim, Gechun Lin, William G. Nomikos)
APSA Foreign Policy Division Best Paper Award

Invest or Incite? Inside the Great Power Toolbox
(with Afiq bin Oslan)

The Impact of Court Packing on the Turkish Constitutional Court Decisions

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
- 2023 **PolMeth Conference Attendance Support**, *National Science Foundation*, \$1600
- 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

- Fall 2024 **Instructor**, *GOV 94IS: Democracy and Authoritarianism in the Middle East*, Harvard University
- 2021&2023 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 102: Introduction to Comparative Politics*, WUSTL.
- 2022 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 317: Conflict and Security in International Relations*, WUSTL
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 337: Climate Change and Conflict*, WUSTL.
- 2020 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 339: Political Violence*, WUSTL.
- 2019 **Teaching Assistant**, *Pol Sci 505: Theories of Individual and Collective Choice I*, WUSTL.
- 2016-2018 **Teaching Assistant**, *SPS303: Law and Ethics*, Sabancı University.
- 2017 **Facilitator**, *GR501: Academic Practices and Development*, Sabancı University.
- 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *POLS202: History of the Political Thought*, Boğaziçi University.

Conference and Workshop Attendance

- 2024 **Empirical Studies of Conflict**, *Annual Meeting*, October 18-19, Los Angeles, CA
- 2023 **Peace Science Society International**, *Annual Meeting*, November 9-11, St. Louis, MO
- 2023 **APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition**, 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**, *September 15-18*, Montreal, Québec, Canada
- 2022 **APSA MENA Conference**, July 28-30, Amman, Jordan
- 2022 **ISA Annual Convention**, 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