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Postdoctoral Researcher

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**CONTACT  
INFORMATION**

Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey  
Migration Research Center (MiReKoc)  
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**RESEARCH  
INTERESTS**

Gender and Women's Studies, International Political Economy, Financialization and  
Everyday Life, Household Debt, Social Reproduction, Development, Social Policy,  
Mobilization and Resistance Strategies

**EDUCATION**

*September 2013 - September 2020* **Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey**  
PhD, Political Science and International Relations

*January-July 2018* **University of Manchester, UK**  
Visiting Researcher, Department of Politics

*September 2011 - September 2013* **Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey**  
MA, International Relations

*September 2010 - August 2011* **Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey**  
MS, Gender and Women's Studies

*September 2006 - May 2010* **Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey**  
BA, Political Science

**PhD Thesis** Household Indebtedness in the Everyday Experiences of  
Women: A Comparison between Greece and Turkey (*Supervisor:*  
*Assoc. Prof. Özlem Altan Olcay*)

**MA Thesis** Worker Resistance and Mobilization: A Comparative Analysis of  
Two Female-Dominated Textile Factories (*Supervisor: Assoc. Prof.*  
*Özlem Altan Olcay*)

**PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE**

*December 2022 - present* **Koç University, Migration Research Center**  
Postdoctoral Researcher  
*EU Horizon Research Project, Koc University (Coordinator: Prof. Ahmet  
İçduygu) in partnership with Pompeu Fabra University and University of  
Amsterdam: "Bridging the Migration and Urban Studies Nexus"*

*September 2021 - October 2022* **Istanbul Aydın University, Department of Political Science  
and International Relations**  
Assistant Professor

*October 2020 - November 2022* **Koç University, Department of International Relations**  
Senior Researcher  
*TUBITAK 2232 Research Project (PI: Asst. Prof. Merih Angın): "IMF  
Decides, Machine Learns: An AI Approach to IOs"*

*September 2021 - February 2022* **TED University, Migration Studies**  
Part-time Lecturer

*October 2020 - September 2021* **Koç University, Department of International Relations**  
Postdoctoral Researcher

- June - August 2021* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
Part-time Lecturer
- November 2019 - September 2020* **Koç University, Department of International Relations**  
Researcher  
*TUBITAK 2232 Research Project (PI: Asst. Prof. Merih Angın): "IMF Decides, Machine Learns: An AI Approach to IOs"*
- July 2018 - December 2019* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
Researcher  
*European Research Council (ERC) Project (PI: Assoc. Prof. Erdem Yörüke): "The New Politics of Welfare: Towards an Emerging Markets Welfare State Regime"*
- September 2018 - February 2019* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
Facilitator  
*MATRA Program - in collaboration with Koç University Gender Studies Research Center/KOÇ-KAM (PI: Asst. Prof. Aslı Mert): "Enhancing Women's Leadership Trajectories Through Female Role Models"*
- July - August 2017* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
Instructor
- 2011 - 2018* **Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities**  
Teaching and Research Assistant
- 2009 - 2010* **Intern**  
Capital Markets Board of Turkey, Ankara  
Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey, Ankara  
Undersecretariat of the Prime Ministry for Foreign Trade, Ankara  
Competition Authority of Turkey, Ankara
- TEACHING EXPERIENCE**
- Spring 2022* **Trent University, International Development Studies**  
IDST 2000Y: Development Analysis (Prof. Barış Karaağaç)  
*Guest Lecturer: Invited to lecture on "Gender and Development"* (BA)
- Spring 2022* **Istanbul Aydın University, Department of Political Science and International Relations**  
SBU 613: Research Methods in Political Science (PhD)  
PSR 484: Comparative Studies in Political Economy (BA)  
KMY 102: Introduction to Public Administration (BA)
- Fall 2021* **TED University, Migration Studies**  
MIGS 541: Economics of Migration (MA)
- Fall 2021* **Istanbul Aydın University, Department of Political Science and International Relations**  
SBU615: Political Economy of Development (PhD)  
ECO 431: Economy and Politics (BA)  
INT 407: Economic History of Europe (BA)  
KMY 340: Turkey-EU Relations (BA)
- Summer 2021* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
SOCI 100: Introduction to Sociology (BA)

*Spring 2021* **Trent University, International Development Studies**  
IDST 2000Y: Development Analysis (Prof. Barış Karaağaç)  
*Guest Lecturer: Invited to lecture on "Gender and Development" (BA)*

*Summer 2017* **Koç University, Department of Sociology**  
HIST 409: Gender, Culture and Politics (BA)

*2011 - 2018* **Koç University, Teaching Assistant**  
INTL 101: Introduction to Political Science (BA)  
SOSC 115: Thinking About Economy (BA)  
INTL 325: Gender and Politics (BA)  
INTL 448: The Middle East in a Globalized World (BA)  
INTL 508: Transnational Actors and Politics of the Global (PhD)

**JOURNAL  
PUBLICATIONS**

2020. Gündelik Deneyimler Üzerinden Türkiye’de Kadın Emegi ve Borçluluk (Women’s Labor and Indebtedness in Turkey: A Focus on Everyday Experiences). *Praksis*, 53, 39-66.

2019. We are Family: Women's Labor Mobilization and Gender Norms in Turkey. *Women's Studies International Forum*, 72, 9-16 (with Özlem Altan Olcay).

2012. How Quota Legislation Matters in Parliament? A Comparative Analysis of Argentina and Turkey, *Women's Studies Journal*, 2, 2.

**BOOK  
CHAPTERS**

2022. Toplumsal Yeniden Üretim ve Gündelik Hayatın Finansallaşması (Social Reproduction and the Financialization of Everyday Life), In Ömer Faruk Çolak and Leyla F. Arda Özalp (Eds.) *Refah Ekonomisi ve Eşitsizlik*, Ankara: Efil Yayınevi.

**OTHERS**

2020. Borçluluk: Finansal Piyasalardan Kadının Görünmeyen Emegine (Indebtedness: From Financial Markets to Unpaid Labor of Women). *Çatlak Zemin*, 28 December 2020.

**WORKS IN  
PROGRESS**

**Journal Article**  
“Household Debt and Social Reproduction in Everyday Life: Women’s Experiences of Care, Agency and Risk”

**Journal Article**  
“Banks as the New Family: The Transition from Informal to Formal Borrowing in Turkey”

**Book Chapter**  
“Türkiye’de Özelleştirmelerin Politik Ekonomisi: Dün, Bugün ve Yarın” (with Merih Angın), In Caner Bakır (Ed.)

**Research Project, Principal Investigator**  
“A Novel Approach to Financial Empowerment of Women: Developing Countries and Turkey” TUBITAK *ARDEB 1001 Research Grant* (Advisors: Özlem Altan Olcay and Merih Angın)

**Book Manuscript**  
“Gender, Debt and Social Reproduction,” In Nicola Smith, Adrienne Roberts and Juanita Elias (Eds.), *Global Political Economies of Gender and Sexuality*, Rowman & Littlefield International.

**CONFERENCE  
PAPERS,  
PRESENTATIONS**

2023. “Finansallaşan Toplumsal Yeniden Üretim ve Finansallaşan Öznellikler Bağlamında Borçlanma İlişkilerinin Dönüşümü”, the 17<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Turkish Social Sciences Association, Ankara, Turkey, 1-3 February 2023.
2022. “Debt and Social Reproduction in the Everyday Experiences of Women in Turkey”, Historical Materialism Annual Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 15-17 April 2022.
2021. Türkiye’de Özelleştirmelerin Politik Ekonomisi: Dün, Bugün ve Yarın (with Merih Angın), The Turkish Political Economy and Public Policy Network (TUPEN) Workshop, Özyeğin University, Istanbul, Turkey, 19 November 2021.
2021. “More Debts, More Tasks: Household Indebtedness and Women’s Empowerment in Greece and Turkey”, the 14<sup>th</sup> EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations, 13-17 September 2021.
2021. “The Making of the Indebted Woman: Financialization and Everyday Life in Turkey”, the 15<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Sociological Association, 31 August-3 September 2021.
2019. “Household Indebtedness and Women’s Paid and Unpaid Labor: The Cases of Greece and Turkey”, Koç University, Department of International Relations, INTL Research Series, 10 December 2019.
2019. “Gendered Experiences of Debt and Labor in Greece and Turkey”, the 14<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Sociological Association, Manchester, United Kingdom, 20-23 August 2019.
2019. “Household Debt and Women’s Labor in Times of Austerity: The Cases of Greece and Turkey”, the 6<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Politics and Gender, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 4-6 July 2019.
2018. “Borçlu ve Borçla Yaşamak: Yunanistan ve Türkiye Örnekleri Üzerinden Kadın Deneyimleri”, 9<sup>th</sup> Dicle Koğacıoğlu Article Awards Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 22 December 2018.
2018. “The Everyday of Household Indebtedness: A Gendered Focus on Greece and Turkey”, the 12<sup>th</sup> EISA Pan-European Conference on International Relations, Prague, Czech Republic, 12-15 September 2018.
2018. “How Do Women Experience Debt and Indebtedness? A Comparative Analysis of Greece and Turkey”, Debt: 5000 Years and Counting, Birmingham Research Institute for History and Cultures, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom, 8-9 June 2018.
2017. “Living in Debt: Gendered Experiences of Household Indebtedness in Greece and Turkey”, the 13<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Sociological Association, Athens, Greece, 29 August-1 September 2017.
2017. “Politics of Debt in Everyday Experiences: Household Indebtedness and Women in Greece and Turkey”, the 5<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Politics and Gender, Lausanne, Switzerland, 8-10 June 2017.
2013. “Legislation of Candidate Gender Quotas: Argentina’s Success, Turkey’s Failure”, the 3<sup>rd</sup> European Conference on Politics and Gender, Barcelona, Spain, 21-23 March 2013.

**GRANTS,  
AWARDS,  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

2021	The Turkish Social Sciences Association Young Social Scientists Awards, Best Doctoral Dissertation
2020 - 2021	Koç University Vice Presidency for Research and Development Postdoctoral Fellowship
2020	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) International Publication Grant
2019	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Conference Grant
2019	European Sociological Association (ESA) Conference Grant
2018	Dicle Koğacıoğlu Article Awards Second Place
2018	Central and East European International Studies Association Conference Grant
2018	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) 2214-A Graduate Student International Scholarship (9 months)
2016	Prof. Nermin Abadan-Unat Social Sciences Awards Second Place
2013 - 2017	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) 2228-B Graduate Student National Scholarship
2013 - 2018	Koç University, Full Scholarship, PhD
2011 - 2013	Koç University, Full Scholarship, MA
2006 - 2010	Bilkent University, Full Scholarship, BA
2020	Koç University, High Honors List, PhD
2013	Koç University, High Honors List, MA
2010	Bilkent University, High Honors List, BA

**REFEREE  
WORK**

*Gender, Place and Culture*

**PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS**

European Consortium for Political Research  
European International Studies Association  
European Sociological Association  
The Turkish Social Science Association

**LANGUAGES**

Turkish (native)  
English (fluent)