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EDUCATION

Sept. 2010 – July 2023

BILGI UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

Ph.D. in Political Science

Dissertation Title: A Migrant City: Generational Analysis of Urban Citizenship in Istanbul

Dissertation Advisor: Prof. Dr. Pınar Uyan Semerci

Dissertation Committee: Prof. Dr. Emre Erdoğan, Prof. Dr. Kenan Çayır

Areas of Interest: Urban Studies, Feminist Geography, Migration, Social Policy, Politics and Literature

Sept. 2005 – August 2006

UNIVERSITEIT VAN AMSTERDAM, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

MA. European Studies

Specialization: European Integration and EU-Global Relations

MA Thesis: Europeanization of Regional Policy and Coordination of Structural Instruments: Challenges to the Turkish State

2000-2005

KOÇ UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

BA in International Relations

1992-2000

ISTANBUL ERKEK LİSESİ, Istanbul, Turkey

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sept. 2023 – present

ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Spring 2023-2024: Part-time Instructor

Introduction to Political Science IR 101

Fall 2023: Part-time Instructor

Introduction to Political Science IR 101; Urban Politics IR 415

Sept. 2012- September 2022

ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Fall 2012: Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Political Science IR 101

Fall 2013 – Spring 2022: Teaching Assistant, Political and Diplomatic History I IR 231; Teaching Assistant, Political and Diplomatic History II IR 232

Spring 2017- Spring 2022: Teaching Assistant, Social Policy IR 435

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Feb. 2024- present **MIGRATION RESEARCH CENTER, KOÇ UNIVERSITY**
Post-doctoral Researcher
- Sept. 2012- Sept. 2022 **ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**
Teaching Assistant
Graduate Program Assistant, Ph.D. Program in Political Science
- June 2010 – June 2008 **AIR FRANCE KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES, REGIONAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE**
Istanbul, Turkey
Project Manager
- Nov. 2006 – June 2008 **EUROHORIZONS CONSULTING&COMMUNICATIONS**
Istanbul, Turkey
Consultant

PUBLICATIONS

Arslan, Sernaz. "Ankara Agreement and upper-middle-class Turkish Migrants in the UK: An exit strategy?" Journal of International and Comparative Social Policy. (forthcoming)

Arslan, Sernaz. "Rethinking the Right to the City: Which City? What Kind of a Right?" REFLEKTİF Sosyal Bilimler Dergisi 3.1 (2022): 109-118.

Arslan, Sernaz. "Appropriation and Gendered Spaces: A Discussion on Elena Ferrante's Neapolitan Novels." Writingplace6 (2022): 55-68.

Arslan, Sernaz. "Yetmişli Yıllarda Farklı Bir Ses: Türkiye Defteri Dergisi." Türkiye'nin 1970'li Yılları, edited by Mete Kaan Kaynar, İletişim Yayınları, 2020, pp. 819-825.

PROJECTS

- Feb. 2023 – present COST Action 21120 History of Identity Documentation in European Nations: Citizenship, Nationality and Migration
Working Group Member: Working Group on "Assessing Citizenship"
Working Group Member: Working Group on "Human Stories for Humane Reactions"
- Dec. 2019 – June 2023 COST Action 18126 Writing Urban Places. New Narratives of the European City
Working Group Member: Working Group on "Theoretical Framework"

CONFERENCES

- May 12, 2021 Integration through Discourse: How do We Communicate, and Why? (Online Seminar)
Writing Urban Places COST Action 18126
"Appropriation and Elena Ferrante's Neapolitan Novels"
- April 7, 2021 Reading, Writing and Activating Urban Places: Methods and Assignments (Online Conference)
Writing Urban Places COST Action 18126
"Generational analysis method regarding rural-to-urban migrants' experiences"

November 17, 2020	Meaningfulness, Appropriation, and Integration of/in City Narratives (Online Conference) Writing Urban Places COST Action 18126 “Appropriation for whom: Looking through the Lens of Capabilities Approach”
November 6, 2020	Koç-Kam Genç Araştırmacılar Sempozyumu (Online) Toplumsal Cinsiyet ve Haklar “Toplumsal Cinsiyet ve Yapabilirlikler Perspektifinden Kent Hakkı”
March 8, 2019	Bilgi Gender/Bilgi Toplumsal Cinsiyet Sempozyumu “Toplumsal Cinsiyet Perspektifinden Kent Hakkı”
June 26-28, 2018	The Migration Conference 2018, Lisbon, Portugal “Experiences of Urban Citizenship among Rural Migrants: The Case of Istanbul”
Nov. 5-6, 2015	Hrant Dink Memorial Workshop 2015, Genocide of the Ottoman Armenians in Art, Theater, Cinema, and Literature, Istanbul, Turkey “The State and Its Discontents: The Shadow of the Genocide in Novels of Kemal Tahir and Orhan Kemal”
Oct. 9-11, 2015	International Conference on Knowledge and Politics in Gender & Women’s Studies, Middle Eastern Technical University, Ankara, Turkey “A Gendered Approach to Citizenship: A Critical Reading of Lying Down to Die and Write Long Letters to Me”
Aug. 18-22, 2014	Fourth World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES), Ankara, Turkey “A critique of bureaucracy: Revisiting Ahmet Hamdi Tanpınar’s “The Time Regulation Institute”
Nov. 9, 2013	Turkish Political Science Association XI. Graduate Conference, Ankara, Turkey “Reading the relation between Modernization and Province through Literature: A look at novels of Reşat Nuri Güntekin, Kemal Tahir and Orhan Kemal”
May 13-14, 2011	Koç University 2 nd Jean Monnet Graduate Student Workshop, Europeanization: EU and Beyond, Istanbul, Turkey “Europeanization of Regional Policy and Co-ordination of Structural Instruments: Challenges to the Turkish State”

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

Sept. 2010- Sept.2016	Bilgi University; 100% Scholarship based on Merit
Jan. 2002, Jan.-June 2004	Koç University; Qualified to be placed in <i>Dean’s Honor Roll</i> (Students with SPA higher than 3.0 / 4.0 are qualified as a Dean’s Honor.)
June 2002, Jan.-June 2005	Koç University; Designated as a <i>Vehbi Koc Scholar</i> (Students with a superb academic record and an SPA higher than 3.5 / 4.0 are designated as Vehbi Koc Scholar.)

QUALIFICATIONS

Computer literacy; Microsoft Office, Windows, Nvivo
Language Skills; Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (advanced)

INTERESTS

Contemporary Art, stage performances; European/Middle Eastern History; culinary arts; literature.

PERSONAL

Born on June 28, 1981; Istanbul, Turkey

REFERENCES

Upon prior request:

Prof. Dr. Ahmet İçduygu, Koç University

Prof. Dr. Pınar Uyan Semerci, Istanbul Bilgi University

Prof. Dr. Fuat Keyman, Sabancı University