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EDUCATION

2022 PhD, Sociology, University of Chicago
Committee: Andrew Abbott (co-chair), Andreas Glaeser (co-chair), John Levi Martin, Ayca Alemdaroglu.
2017 M.A., Sociology, University of Chicago
2013 B.A., Political Science and International Relations, Bogazici University

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Education, Family, Culture, Social Class, Inequality, Qualitative Methods, the Middle East.

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2020 University of Chicago Social Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship
2020 Pozen Center for Human Rights Doctoral Fellowship
2019 University of Chicago Social Sciences Division Research Grant

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Religiosity, Social Class Mobility, and Limits of Faith-Based School Choice in Turkey (*under review*)

Choice or Sorting? Working Class Parents and Local High School Applications in Turkey (in progress)

BOOK REVIEW

2015 "A Tale of Four Augusts: Obama's Syria Policy" by Kılıç Buğra Kanat. *Daily Sabah* (Dec 21)

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- Choice or Sorting? Working Class Parents and Local High School Applications in Turkey
Workshop on the Politics of Family and Youth in Contemporary Turkey, Universität Leipzig, June 2022.
- "Future Projections in Parental Decision Making: A Pragmatic Framework for School Choice."
Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, April 2022.
- "Religion, Social Class Mobility and Limits of Faith-Based School Choice in Turkey"
Comparative and International Education Society Annual Meeting, April 2022.
Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, April 2022.
- "Pathways to Status: Parenting and Schooling of Middle School Children in Turkey"

Presented at the Social Theory and Evidence Workshop, University of Chicago. January 28, 2019.

- “From Selective Enrollment to Neighborhood Schools: Parental Responses to New Public-School Placement Policy”
Presented at Keyman Conference on Youth and Education in Turkey, Northwestern University. October 19, 2018.
- “Institutional Change in the Diffusion of Non-Instrumental Innovations: Lessons from the Case of American Hand-knitting”
Presented at the American Sociological Association’s Annual Meeting, 2018.
- “New Directions in Sociological Research.”
(Invited Talk) Meridyen Akademi, Istanbul. 2017.

TEACHING

2017-2018	Teaching Assistant, <i>Social Science Inquiry I-II- III</i> Professors: Justin Grimmer, Lauren Perez, Michael Weaver, Social Science University of Chicago
2017	Teaching Assistant, <i>Qualitative Field Methods</i> Professor: Omar McRoberts, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago
2017	Teaching Assistant, <i>Urban Policy Analysis</i> Professor: Terry N. Clark, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2020-2021	Manuscript Board Member, <i>American Journal of Sociology</i>
2014	Organizer & Moderator of “Object Sociology” Panel in Spring Institute, University of Chicago.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Midwest Sociological Society
American Sociological Association
Comparative and International Education Society