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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Purdue University

Ph.D. in Political Science

2024-present

Indiana, USA

- Subfields: International Relations, Research Methodology

Waseda University

Master of Arts in International Relations

2021-2023

Tokyo, Japan

- *Summa cum laude*

- Thesis: Japan's Post-Fukushima Nuclear Energy Policy

Bilkent University

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations

2016-2021

Ankara, Türkiye

- *Summa cum laude*, Graduated with the second-highest ranking in the department among 147 students
- Senior research project: Social Media Activism and Violence against Women: The Case of the Istanbul Convention

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Lab Affiliate

Governance and Responsible AI Lab (GRAIL)

Spring 2025 - present

Indiana, USA

- Attending GRAIL's biweekly research meetings
- Assisting with the lab's AI Governance and Regulatory Archive (AGORA) project

Research Assistant for Dr. Bahadır Pehlivanurk

TOBB University of Economics and Technology

Feb 2021 - Jun 2021

Ankara, Türkiye

- Assisted with Dr. Pehlivanurk's research for a funded research project
- Research focus: Japan's COVID-19 response and global health diplomacy
- Gathered and organized data from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) databases

Research Assistant for Dr. Onur Erpul

The Center for Foreign Policy and Peace Research (CFPPR)

Feb 2020 - May 2020

Ankara, Türkiye

- Assisted with two different projects of CFPPR research center
- Reviewed and categorized around 300 articles regarding terrorism studies based on theoretical framework, methodology, and regional perspective
- Assisted in compiling a unique database of graduate-level IR Theory course syllabuses from universities worldwide

Research Assistant for Dr. Ihsan Efe Tokdemir

Bilkent University

Jun 2019 - Jul 2019

Ankara, Türkiye

- Assisted with Dr. Tokdemir's research for a book project
- Research focus: Interactive relations between governments, terrorist groups, and constituencies
- Gathered data from newspapers using the LexisNexis platform and coded it to identify whether governments had made direct concessions to the constituencies of terrorist groups

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Part-time English Teacher

One Coin English

Jun 2022 - Feb 2023

Tokyo, Japan

- Taught English to Japanese students at a language school
- Prepared lessons aimed at improving conversation skills

Mathematics Tutor

Bilkent University

Oct 2019 - Dec 2019

Ankara, Türkiye

- Worked as a mathematics tutor by assisting instructor Guliz Esen for the MATH-103 course
- Tutored the students who needed further help with their MATH-103 tests and homework assignments

INTERNSHIPS

Summer Intern

Jul 2019

Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ankara, Türkiye

- Worked as an intern at the East Asia-Pacific department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Prepared and presented a report about the trade wars between the United States and China

AWARDS

Frederick N. Andrews Fellowship

2024-present

Purdue University

Indiana, USA

- Currently receiving a graduate fellowship (tuition waiver and salary) from Purdue University

Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship

2021-2023

Waseda University

Tokyo, Japan

- Received a comprehensive scholarship from the Japanese government (tuition waiver and monthly allowance) to pursue graduate studies in Japan

Bilkent University Comprehensive Scholarship

2016-2021

Bilkent University

Ankara, Türkiye

- Received a comprehensive scholarship from Bilkent University (tuition waiver and monthly allowance) based on the success achieved in the university entrance exams

First Prize Award for the Transdisciplinary Senior Research Project

Jan 2021

Bilkent University

Ankara, Türkiye

- Received the first prize award from Bilkent University for presenting the best senior research project

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- **First Year Representative** - Political Science Graduate Student Association (Purdue University, 2024-present)
- **Organization Team Member** - Management and Economics Community (Bilkent University, 2017-2018)
- **MUN Society Member** - Bilkent Model United Nations (Bilkent University, 2016-2017)
- **Youth Volunteer** - Erasmus + Program: Youth for Nature (European Commission, 2015)

LANGUAGES

- Turkish (native), English (fluent), Japanese (pre-intermediate)

COMPUTER SKILLS

- R, NVivo, \LaTeX

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association