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Current Status

Lecturer at Rice University, Political Science Department.

Examination Fields

Comparative Politics. Passed with Distinction.
International Relations. Passed with Distinction.

Research Interests

Contentious Politics, Social Movements, State Repression, Civil Resistance, Formal and Agent-Based Models

Education

- 2016-2023. Doctoral Program in International Studies, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- 2014-2016. Master of Arts in International Studies, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- 2008-2013. Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Galatasaray University.

Publications

- Aktan, Dogus. “How Does Violence Deter? Functional and Informational Effects of Preemptive Repression” - Forthcoming at *Journal of Peace Research*.

Teaching Experience

Instructor

- Protests and Political Violence (Undergraduate level) Spring 2025, Rice University
- Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate level) Spring 2025, Rice University
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergraduate level) Fall 2024, Rice University
- Applied Research Methods (Undergraduate level) Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Rice University
- International Organizations (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023, Spring 2024. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Dynamics of International Law (Undergraduate level) Spring 2024. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Honors Thesis in Political Science (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Conduct of American Foreign Relations (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- International Political Economy (Undergraduate level) Spring 2024. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Globalization and Knowledge Economy (Undergraduate level) Fall 2021-2023. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Major Issues in International Security (Undergraduate level) Winter 2020. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Contemporary Issues in Political Economy (Undergraduate level) September 2018- 2022. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Dragons, Mutants, and Drug Dealers: Advanced Topics in IR and IPE through Western Pop Culture. Fall 2019. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Math Workshop for Graduate Students. Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- Causal Inference (DAGs) Workshop for Graduate Students. Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.

Teaching Assistant

- September 2016- June 2018. Teaching Assistant: Contemporary Issues in Political Economy (Undergraduate level) with Dr. Keith Gehring.
- September 2017- December 2017. Teaching Assistant: International Politics (Graduate level) with Dr. Jack Donnelly.

Research Assistant

- September 2014 - June 2016. Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Joseph Szyliowicz.
- September 2015 - September 2017. Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Erica Chenoweth in the Major Episodes of Contention (MEC) project.

Additional Training

- ISCPSR Summer Program 2018 .
 - Mathematical Models: Rational Choice Theories of Politics and Society.
 - Game Theory.
 - Social Choice.
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute 2019.
- Bridging the Gap New Era Workshop (NEW) 2021.
- Responsible Engagement Initiative Pre-Peace Science Workshop (RPEI) 2022.
- Introduction to Agent-Based Modeling, Santa Fe Institute 2022.
- Peace Science Rising Scholars Workshop 2022.

Fellowships & Grants

- United States Institute of Peace (USIP) Peace Scholar Fellowship 2020.
- Empirical Implication of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute Fellowship 2019.
- Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Methods Workshop Grant for ICPSR 2018. (\$3000)
- Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Conference Travel Grant for the 2019-2020 year. (\$4000)

Service

- Grant Review for Minerva Project and Peace Scholars for United States Institute of Peace (USIP)
- Peer Review for Journal of Peace Research, American Political Science Review
- Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, ISA Annual Conference 2022, Nashville.
- Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, ISSS-IS Annual Conference 2019, Denver.

Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (fluent), French (fluent)

Relevant Skills

Mathematica, \LaTeX , NetLogo, Causal Inference, DAGs, Python