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## EDUCATION

- July 2010 *Ph.D.* in History, Binghamton University, NY  
 Dissertation: “Tobacco Workers in the Late Ottoman Empire: Fragmentation, Conflict, and Collective Struggle”  
 Advisor: Professor Donald Quataert
- September 2004 *M.A.* in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul  
 Master Thesis: “Working Class in Turkey during World War II Period: Between Social Policies and Everyday Experiences”  
 Advisor: Associate Professor Nadir Özbek
- July 2002 *B.A.* in Political Science and International Relations, Marmara University, Istanbul

## EMPLOYMENT

- 2010- Assistant Professor, Department of History, Koç University, Istanbul
- 2008-2010 Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Binghamton University
- 2005-2007 Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Binghamton University
- 2007 Researcher for Donald Quataert’s project titled “Zonguldak Coal Miners in Early Republican Turkey.”  
 Conducted archival research in Zonguldak, Turkey. Early Republican journals digitalized for this project are available in: <http://harvey.binghamton.edu/~ottmiddl/>
- 2004-2005 Research Assistant, The Atatürk Institute for Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
- 2002 Secretariat Officer, “Workshop on Migration and Labor Markets in a European Perspective: Turkish and Swedish Experiences,”

Marmara University and Consulate General of Sweden in  
Istanbul

## PUBLICATIONS

### Book

*Labor and Power in the Late Ottoman Empire: Tobacco Workers, Managers, and the State, 1872-1912* (Cham: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019).

### Articles in English

“Negotiating Railroad Safety in the Late Ottoman Empire: The State, Railway Companies, Trainmen, and Trespassers,” *New Perspectives on Turkey* 60 (2019): 61-84.

“Railroads as Sites of Social Conflict: Railway Companies, Trespassers, and the Law in the late Ottoman Empire,” *Journal of the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association* 4, no.1 (2017): 117-136.

“Free Trade or an Alternative Path: The Queue System and Struggle over the Conditions of Work in Ottoman Ports, 1900-1910,” *Middle Eastern Studies* 52, no.5 (2016): 772-786.

“Labor Activism and the State in the Ottoman Tobacco Industry,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 46, no.3 (2014): 533-551.

“The Régie Monopoly and Tobacco Workers in Late Ottoman Istanbul,” *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 34, no.1 (2014): 206-219.

“‘Our Lives Were Not as Valuable as an Animal’: Workers in State-Run Industries in World-War-II Turkey,” *International Review of Social History* 54, no. S17 (2009): 143-166.

### Articles in Turkish

“Yükselen Bir Liman Kentinde Ekonomik Pastayı Paylaşmak: 20. Yüzyılın Başında Mersin’de Rekabet, Çatışma ve İttifaklar,” *Cihannüma: Tarih ve Coğrafya Araştırmaları Dergisi* 3, no.1 (2017): 71-94.

“20. Yüzyılın Başında İstanbul Limanı: Hamallar, Dersaadet Rıhtım Şirketi ve Osmanlı Hükümeti,” *Kebikeç*, no. 41 (2016): 51-66.

“20. Yüzyılın Başında Samsun Limanında Çalışmak: Serbest Ticaret ve Nöbet Usulü Tartışması,” *Toplum ve Bilim*, no. 136 (2016): 40-60.

“Tütün İşçileri, Tüccarlar ve Kırık Camlar: 1905 Kavala Grevi,” *Toplumsal Tarih Dergisi*, no.213 (2011): 38-42.

“Ekmeğin Yokluğunu Bilirim, Kıtlığı Gördüm: İkinci Dünya Savaşı Yıllarında Kentsel Alanlarda Emekçiler,” *Praksis*, no.16 (2006): 195-217.

## Book Chapters

“İstanbul Gurbetinde Çalışmak ve Yaşamak,” in *Tanzimat’tan Günümüze Türkiye İşçi Sınıfı Tarihi, 1839-2014*, ed. Y. Doğan Çetinkaya and Mehmet Ö. Alkan (Istanbul: Tarih Vakfı Yurt Yayınları, 2015), 120-131.

“‘Bir Hayvan Kadar Bile Değerimiz Yoktu’: İkinci Dünya Savaşı Döneminde Türkiye’de Devlet İşletmelerinde Çalışan İşçiler,” in *Osmanlı Devleti ve Türkiye Cumhuriyeti’nde Emek Tarihi*, ed. Touraj Atabaki and Gavin Brockett (Istanbul: Bilgi Üniversitesi Yayınları, 2012), 153-176.

With Burak Gürel, “Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer),” in *Modern Türkiye’de Siyasi Düşünce, Cilt 8: Sol*, ed. Murat Gültekinil (Istanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007), 118-133.

## Book Reviews

Review of Hale Yılmaz’s *Becoming Turkish: Nationalist Reforms and Cultural Negotiations in Early Republican Turkey* in *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 46, no.3 (2014): 630-631.

Review of Ebru Boyar and Kate Fleet’s *A Social History of Ottoman Istanbul in European History Quarterly* 42, no.3 (2012): 496-497.

Review of Karen Barkey’s *Empire of Difference: The Ottomans in Comparative Perspective* in *New Perspectives on Turkey* 44 (2011): 200-202.

## Book Translation

Thomas Faist, *The Volume and Dynamics of International Migration and Transnational Social Spaces* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000).

Translation from English to Turkish, with Azat Zana Gündoğan, *Uluslararası Göç ve Ulusaşırı Toplumsal Alanlar* (Istanbul: Bağlam Yayınları, 2003).

## INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Geç Osmanlı Döneminde Emek ve İktidar: Tütün İşçileri Örneği,” paper presented at the speaker series titled “Yesayan Talks,” organized by Aras Publishing House, February 2020, Istanbul.

“Tütün Yaprağından Sigara Dumanına: Cibali Reji Fabrikasında Emek Süreçleri, 1884-1912,” paper presented at the speaker series titled “Cibali Talks”, organized by the Rezan Has Museum, November 2018, Istanbul.

“Pursuing Responsibility and Causality: Railroad Accidents and Law in the Late Ottoman Empire,” paper presented at the Fifth World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES), July 2018, Seville.

“Danger Rode the Rails: Railroad Accidents in the late Ottoman Empire,” paper presented at the 131<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, January 2017, Denver.

“20. Yüzyılın Başında Kavala: Tütün Mağazaları, İşçiler ve Grevler,” paper presented at the speaker series titled “Images of the Past: Kavala and Its Region,” December 2016, Istanbul.

“Osmanlı ‘Çevre’ Limanlarında Çalışmak: Kayıkçılar, Tüccarlar ve Devlet (1900-1910),” paper presented at the Boğaziçi University Atatürk Institute’s Friday Seminars, December 2015, Istanbul.

“Karadeniz Liman Kentlerinde Kayıkçılar ve Tüccarlar: Serbest Ticaret vs. Nöbet Usulü,” paper presented at the conference titled *Osmanlı İmparatorluğu’nda İşçi Sınıfının Oluşumu*, October 2015, Istanbul.

“Osmanlı Liman Kentlerinde Hak Mücadelesi: Mavnacılar, Tüccarlar ve Devlet,” paper presented at the İzmir Katip Çelebi University History Department Seminar, April 2015, İzmir.

“Negotiating Power on the Shop Floor: Foremen in the Ottoman Tobacco and Railway Industries,” paper presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, November 2014, Washington DC.

“Tobacco Workers and the Ottoman State,” paper presented at the History Foundation’s (Tarih Vakfı) Thursday Talk Series, May 2014, Istanbul.

“İstintaknamelerde İşçilerin Sesini Dinlemek,” paper presented at the conference titled *Osmanlı İmparatorluğu ve Türkiye Emek Hareketi Tarihinin Kaynakları*, November 2013, Istanbul.

“The Régie Monopoly and Tobacco Workers in Late Ottoman Istanbul,” paper presented at the Marmara University Research Center for International Relations, April 2013, Istanbul.

“A Growing Voice in Local Politics: Ottoman Tobacco Workers and the 1908 Revolution,” paper presented at the conference titled *New Perspectives on Late Ottoman Empire: A Conference in Memory of Donald Quataert (1941-2011)*, May 2011, Istanbul.

“Working and Standing Together: Tobacco Workers in the Late Ottoman Empire,” paper presented at the conference titled *Tobacco, Co-Existence and Culture: Kavala, the Open City of Tomorrow*, organized by the Municipality of Kavala, October 2010, Kavala.

“Struggles for an Alternative Work Culture: Tobacco Workers in the Late Ottoman Empire,” paper presented at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, November 2009, Boston.

“Radical Tobacco Workers in the Late Ottoman Empire: Strikes and Labor Organizations, 1890-1914,” paper presented at the Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations (ANAMED), May 2008, Istanbul.

“Our Lives Were Not as Valuable as a Carpet: Workers in State-Run Industries in World-War-II Turkey,” paper presented at the workshop titled *The World in Wars: Experiences, Perceptions and Perspectives from the South*, organized by Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), June 2007, Berlin.

“Contextualizing a Culture of Contestation: Tobacco Workers in the Ottoman Empire, 1883-1914,” paper presented at Binghamton University Graduate History Conference, December 2006, Binghamton.

## **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

- 2019 Project Title: *Anadolu'dan İstanbul'a Ağnam Ticareti ve Et İaşesi, 1783-1920* (Animal Trade from Anatolia to Istanbul and Meat Provisioning, 1783-1920), funded by the Scientific and Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK), Role: co-investigator.
- 2019 TUBITAK scientific publication encouragement award for publication in *New Perspectives on Turkey*
- 2016 TUBITAK scientific publication encouragement award for publication in *Middle Eastern Studies*
- 2014 TUBITAK scientific publication encouragement award for publication in *International Journal of Middle East Studies*
- 2007-2008 Dissertation Fellow, The Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations, Koç University
- 2006 Summer Term Fellowship for Dissertation Research, Department of History, Binghamton University

## **PROMOTIONS**

- 2018 Associate Professor in Modern History (Rank granted by Higher Education Council in Turkey, YÖK)

## **TEACHING EXPERINCE**

### **Koç University:**

CSHS 517 Ottoman State and Society

HIST 433 State and Society in the 19th Century Ottoman Empire (This course was initially taught as a Special Topics course “HIST 350 Modernization and Social Change in the Ottoman Empire”)

HIST 350 People on the Move: Migratory Movements in the Modern Middle East

HIST 309/INTL 340 State and Society in the Middle East

HIST 219 Labor History of the Latte Ottoman Empire and Early Republican Turkey

HIST 217 Comparative Urban History

HIST 216 History of the Middle East

HIST 204 The Ottoman World in Transition, 1566-1839

HIST 103 Introduction to History  
 HUMS 131 History, Power, and People  
 SOSOC 110 State and Society

## **ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE**

### **Referee**

*International Review of Social History*  
*International Labor and Working-Class History*  
*New Perspectives on Turkey*  
*Cihannüma: Tarih ve Coğrafya Araştırmaları Dergisi*

### **Administrative Positions**

History Department Erasmus Exchange Coordinator, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Koç University, 2014-

Member of the Program Review Committee for the History Department, Koç University, 2017-2018.

Member of the College of Social Sciences and Humanities Faculty Council, Koç University, 2014-2018.

Member of the Graduate School of Social Sciences Executive Council, Koç University, 2014-2018.

History Department Head, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Koç University, 2014-2018.

History Department Coordinator, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Koç University, 2012-2014.

Member of the Library Committee, Koç University, 2011.

### **Graduate Advising**

Advisor, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University  
 Cem Güldüren, *The Conscription of Religious Students in the Late Ottoman Empire*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in August 2017.

Advisor, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University  
 Y. Can Gümüş, *An Analysis of Ottoman Carpet Industry, 1843-1914: Workers, Merchants, and the State*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in August 2015.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University

Mustafa Emre Günaydi, *Negotiation Through a “Tanzimat” Institution: The Case of Bosnian General Council in the Late Ottoman Empire*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in June 2019.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University

Talha Köseoğlu, *Islamist Political Thought of the 1990s and its Encounter with Power: The Case of Yeni Zemin*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in August 2015.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University

Sena Duygu Topçu, *Reidentification of Home and the Statelessness of Syrian Refugees in Bayramtepe*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in August 2015.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in History and Society, Koç University

Hatice Yıldız, *Silk Workers in the Late Ottoman Empire: Gender, Labor and Collective Struggle in Bursa’s Filatures*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in July 2013.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Archeology and History of Art, Koç University

William James Harper, *Backward and Forward: Photographic Gifts between the Ottoman Empire and United States in the Late Nineteen-Century*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in August 2013.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Mehmet Çınar Oskay, *The Right to Beyoğlu: Neo-Liberal Islamism and the Loss of Joy*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in May 2019.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Şahika Karatepe, *The Social History of Railroads: Security and Accidents on the Railroads in the Ottoman Empire (1858-1918)*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in May 2017.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Nazif Koca, *The Montenegrin Frontier of the Ottoman Empire: Loyalties and Frontier Defense (1863-1870)*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in May 2016.

Committee Member, Master of Arts in Sociology, Boğaziçi University

Selim Kırılmaz, *Patrimonial Governing and Community Formation: Power Relations within and without the Süryani Orthodox Community in Istanbul*, MA Thesis, completed and defended in 2014.

Dissertation Committee Member, Doctor of Philosophy in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Gülseren Duman, *Governing a Frontier Sancak in the Ottoman Empire: Notables, Tribes, and Peasants of Muş (1820s-1870s)*, completed and defended in 2018.

Dissertation Committee Member, Doctor of Philosophy in Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Müge Özbek, *Single, Poor Women in Istanbul, 1850-1915: Prostitution, Sexuality, and Female Labor*, completed and defended in 2017.

Dissertation Committee Member, Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science, Sabancı University

Osman Şahin, *Perceptions of Democracy in the World: Do Different Understandings Held by the People Shape Political Systems?* completed and defended in 2016.

### **Conference Organization**

Together with Deniz Yüksek, *International Conference on Inter-Asian Connections: IV*, 2-5 October 2013, Istanbul (Co-Organizers: The Social Science Research Council, Koç University, Yale University, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Göttingen University and the Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences).

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

American Historical Association (AHA)

Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA)