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### EDUCATION

- The Johns Hopkins University** Baltimore, MD  
Ph.D., Sociology May 2015  
*Dissertation title:* The role of collective mobilization in the divergence  
of the rural economies of China and India (1950-1990)
- The Johns Hopkins University** Baltimore, MD  
MA., Sociology June 2009
- Yale University** New Haven, CT  
The Fox International Fellowship Program 2006-2007  
MacMillan Center
- Bogazici University** Istanbul, Turkey  
MA., Modern Turkish History June 2004  
*Thesis title:* Political mobilization in Turkey in the 1970s:  
The case of the Kahramanmaraş Incidents
- Dokuz Eylul University** Izmir, Turkey  
BA., International Relations June 2002

### EMPLOYMENT

- Assistant Professor** İstanbul, Turkey  
Koç University February 2015 – Present  
Department of Sociology
- Supervisor Researcher** İstanbul, Turkey  
*The new politics of welfare: Towards an “emerging market”  
welfare state regime* January 2017 – Present  
(European Research Council Starting Grant  
Principal investigator: Erdem Yoruk)

**Visiting Scholar**  
Harvard University  
Center for Middle Eastern Studies

Cambridge, MA  
July-September 2016

**Visiting Researcher**  
Huazhong University of Science and Technology  
Center for Rural China Governance

Wuhan, China  
June-December 2012

**Instructor**  
The Johns Hopkins University  
East Asian Studies Program

Baltimore, MD  
Fall 2013

**Teaching Assistant**  
The Johns Hopkins University  
Department of Sociology

Baltimore, MD  
2007-2014

**Instructor**  
Bogazici University  
Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History

İstanbul, Turkey  
Spring 2006

**Research Assistant**  
Bogazici University  
Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History

İstanbul, Turkey  
2004-05

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

1. Burak Gürel, "The role of collective mobilization in the divergent performance of the rural economies of China and India (1950-2005)," *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, 2018, DOI: 10.1080/03066150.2018.1434773
2. Burak Gürel, "Mao redux?" *Historical Materialism* (Forthcoming).
3. Burak Gürel, "Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to capitalism," *McGill Sociological Review*, Vol. 4, 2014, pp. 67-92.
4. Weigang Gong, Chengrong Duan, and Burak Gürel, "Regional variation of lineage culture and fertility transition in rural China," *Rural China*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2013, pp. 258-310.
5. Burak Gürel, "Agrarian change and labour supply in Turkey, 1950-1980," *Journal of Agrarian Change*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 2011, pp. 195-219.
6. Burak Gürel, "'Communist police!' The state in the 1970s Turkey," *Journal of Historical Studies*, Vol. 2, 2004, pp. 1-18.
7. Burak Gürel, "Islamist and Fascist Politics in Turkey in the 1970s: Promises and Results." *Praksis*, No. 12, 2004, pp. 85-102 (Published in Turkish).

### Book Chapters

1. Burak Gürel, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer): The transformation of the Communist Party of Turkey from the October Revolution to Stalinism." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali

- Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 171-184 (Published in Turkish).
2. Burak Gürel, "İsmail Bilen: The Communist Party of Turkey from belated rise to precipitated collapse." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 235- 252 (Published in Turkish).
  3. Burak Gürel, "Islamism: A comparative-historical overview." In *The neoliberal landscape and the rise of Islamist capital in Turkey*, eds. Neşecan Balkan, Erol Balkan, and Ahmet Öncü. New York: Berghahn Books, 2015, pp. 13-40.
  4. Burak Gürel, "Historical development of class struggles in rural Turkey." In *Marxism and classes: Classes and their struggles in Turkey and the world*, eds. Ahmet Tonak, Sungur Savran, and Kurtar Tanyılmaz. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2014, pp. 303-385 (Published in Turkish).
  5. Burak Gürel, "Islamism." In *Political science: Concepts, ideologies, and interdisciplinary relations*, eds. Gökhan Atılğan and E. Attila Aytekin. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2012, pp. 407-428 (Published in Turkish).
  6. Burak Gürel and Can Nacar, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 118-133 (Published in Turkish).
  7. Burak Gürel and Fulya Özkan, "İsmail Bilen (Laz İsmail)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 294-309 (Published in Turkish).

#### Book Reviews

1. *How the west came to rule: The geopolitical origins of capitalism*, by Alexander Anievas and Kerem Nisancioglu (Pluto Press, 2015). *New Perspectives on Turkey*, Vol. 56, 2017, pp. 166-171.
2. *The Third Great Depression: The Twilight of Capitalism*, by Sungur Savran (Yordam Kitap, 2013). *Praksis*, No. 38, 2015, pp. 229-232 (Published in Turkish).
3. *Peasants under siege: The collectivization of Romanian agriculture, 1949-1962*, by Gail Kligman and Katherine Verdery (Princeton University Press, 2011). *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol. 41, No. 2, 2014, pp. 291-294.

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Murat Koyuncu, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, "Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India." In the *76<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 6, 2018.
2. Erdem Yörük, Ali Bargu, and Burak Gürel, "Social assistance as a counter-insurgency strategy in contemporary China." In the *76<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 8, 2018.
3. Burak Gürel, "Rural land policy debates in China since the 1980s: Contradictions and convergences of the developmentalist, welfarist, and individualist approaches." In *Urbanizing Rural China: Challenges of Rural Governance*, Danish Social Science Research Council, Skagen, February 23-25, 2018.
4. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, "The politics of social assistance in contemporary Asia: Comparative analysis of China, India, and Turkey." In *Whither West Asia*, University of Sussex Asia Center, May 16, 2017.

5. Burak Gürel, “The Syrian civil war and Turkey’s transformation into the world’s biggest refugee camp.” In *Crises and Victims: A Workshop on Refugees, Migrants and Anti- Refugee Discourses in a New Way*, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation Warsaw, Karl Polanyi Center for Global Social Studies, and *Eszmélet* Journal, Budapest, February 27, 2016.
6. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992).” In *East Asian Studies Spring 2014 Student Symposium: Transforming East Asia*, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, April 11, 2014.
7. Burak Gürel, “Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China.” In *Agrarian Development in China: Legacies and Prospects*, The Arrighi Center, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, November 1, 2013.
8. Burak Gürel, “Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to agrarian capitalism.” In *21<sup>st</sup> Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia*, Columbia University, New York, February 10-11, 2012.
9. Burak Gürel, “Peasant struggles over land in Turkey (1960-1980).” In *Historical Social Science-Graduate Student Conference*, Binghamton University, Binghamton, New York, April 28-29, 2007.
10. Burak Gürel, “Land occupation as a form of peasant resistance in Turkey (1968-1980).” In *The Political Economy of the Middle East in the Age of Empire: Historical, Theoretical, and Political Reflections*, York University, Toronto, March 23-24, 2006.

### **INVITED TALKS**

1. Burak Gürel, “Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China.” In *Rajawali Doctoral Fellows Workshop Series*, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, September 7, 2016.
2. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1950-1980).” In *Social Science Seminars*, Koç University, İstanbul, February 20, 2014.
3. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992).” In Center for Development Studies, Trivandrum, Kerala, March 22, 2013.

### **THESIS ADVISING AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Doctoral Thesis Advisor**

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Onur Alptekin (in progress)

#### **Master’s Thesis Advisor**

Maham Hameed (defended, June 19, 2017)

Tuğçe Bidav (defended, June 14, 2017)

#### **Doctoral Thesis Committee Membership**

Aybike Alkan (in progress)

Sinem Kavak (defended, October 14, 2016)

**Master's Thesis Committee Membership**

Ceren Gülbudak (defended, September 7, 2017)

Hüseyin Deniz Sert (defended, October 7, 2016)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

<b>Koç University</b>	Istanbul, Turkey
<b>Graduate teaching</b>	
<i>SOCI-CSHS 504: Historical Sociology</i>	Fall 2015, 2017
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	
<i>SOSC 110: State and Society</i>	Spring 2015, 2016, 2017; Fall 2016
<i>SOCI/INTL 421: Political Sociology</i>	Spring 2016; Fall 2016, 2017
<b>The Johns Hopkins University</b>	Baltimore, MD
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	Fall 2013
<i>AS.310.204: Rural Development in Asia</i>	
<b>Boğaziçi University</b>	Istanbul, Turkey
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	Spring 2006
<i>HTR 312: History of the Turkish Republic II</i>	

**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

1. Koç-Harvard Visiting Scholar Program Grant (Summer 2016).
2. Stephen and Lynn Browne Graduate Student Teaching Fellowship, East Asian Studies Program, The Johns Hopkins University (Fall 2013).
3. Research Grant, Department of Sociology, The Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).
4. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, The Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).
5. Chinese Government Scholarship (Awarded scholarship as a full-time language student at Wuhan University in 2009-10).
6. Research Grant, Program in Global Social Change, Department of Sociology, The Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
7. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, The Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
8. Research Grant, Institute for Global Studies, The Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
9. The Fox International Fellowship Program, MacMillan Center, Yale University (2006-2007).
10. Conference Travel Grant, Bogazici University (March 2006).

**UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

**Koç University**

Recruitment Committee Member, Department of Economics  
Executive Committee Member, Center for Asian Studies  
Graduate Program Coordinator, Department of Sociology

Istanbul, Turkey  
Spring 2017-Present  
Fall 2017-Present  
Fall 2015-Fall 2017

**ACADEMIC PEER REVIEW**

- *Joint Application Scheme for Early Career Research Fellowships*, Cambridge University
- *The Journal of Peasant Studies*
- *Comparative Studies in Society and History*
- *Journal of Agrarian Change*
- *Antipode*
- *New Perspectives on Turkey*
- *Toplum ve Bilim*
- *Praksis*

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association

**LANGUAGES**

- English (Fluent)
- Mandarin Chinese (Fluent)
- Turkish (Native)