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Education

- 2009 City University of New York, Graduate Center, Sociology, PhD Program.
Dissertation title: Exchanging Affect: The Migrant Domestic Workers Market in Turkey.
Committee: Prof. Patricia Clough, Prof. Philip Kasinitz, Prof. Barbara K. Rothman.
- 2007 University of Ioannina,; Konitsa Summer School in Anthropology Ethnography and Folklore of the Balkans.
- 2005 City University of New York, Graduate Center, Sociology, MPhil.
- 2001 University of California, San Diego, Sociology, PhD Prog; First year coursework.
- 2000 Boğaziçi University, Sociology, Masters Program; First year coursework.
- 1998 Boğaziçi University, Sociology, BA (honors).
- 1998 Boğaziçi University, Political Science and Int. Relations, BA (honors).
- 1993 Üsküdar American Academy, Istanbul.

Work Experience

- 2016-2025 Associate Professor, İstanbul Technical University.
- 2017 Visiting Associate Professor, Boğaziçi University.
- 2010-2016 Assistant Professor, Istanbul Technical University.
- 2010 Visiting Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University.
- 2009 Instructor; Yeditepe University
- 2008-09 Instructor, Istanbul Technical University (part-time).
- 2004 Instructor, Queens College (part-time).
- 2000 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology,UCSD.
- 1998-00 Teaching Assistant, Bilgi University, Sociology Department.

Fellowship

- 2022-2024 TÜBİTAK 1001; *Post-Pandemic Migration Experiences, Work-Home Dynamics, and Domestic Relations: The Case of Migrant Domestic Worker*; with Prof. Ulaş Sunata (Bahçeşehir Üniv.) & Prof. Umut Beşpınar (METU).
- 2015 Honorary Research Fellowship, Univ. of London Birkbeck, Dept. of Geography, Environment & Development
- 2010 MiReKoç, the Migration Research Program at Koç University, Filipina Domestics in İstanbul
- 2008 Istanbul Research Institute, Fellowship for Doctoral Research.
- 2007 American Research Institute in Turkey; Fellowship for Turkish Scholars.
- 2004-2006 LaGuardia Community College, CUNY; Writing Fellow, Writing in the Disciplines (WID) Program.
- 2003 University Fellowship, CUNY, Graduate Center.

- 2003 PSC/CUNY Tuition Award, CUNY, Graduate Center.
2000-2004 Council of Higher Education, Turkey (YÖK), Fellowship for Doctoral Education abroad.

Awards

- 2020 Şirin Tekeli Research Award, Sabancı University Gender and Women's Studies Center of Excellence (with Prof. Demet Lüküslü).
2004 Rockefeller Fellow; Facing Global Capital, Finding Human Security: A Gendered Critique, organized by the National Council for Research on Women & Center for the Study of Women and Society, CUNY, Graduate Center.

Academic Publications

Books

- 2023 *Temasın İmkanları: Değmek, Değer Üretmek, Dayanışmak*, Metis Yayınları, İstanbul

Journal Articles

- 2024 'We Don't Want to Die': Diffuse Feminism against Femicide in Turkey. *Third World Quarterly*, 1–17.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/01436597.2024.2413847>
2018 "Affective Precarity", *South Atlantic Quarterly*, 117 (2): 420-429.
<https://doi.org/10.1215/00382876-4374933>
2015 "Motherhood as the Value of Labour: The Migrant Domestic Workers' Market in Turkey" *Australian Feminist Studies* Vol: 30 No: 83 <https://doi.org/10.1080/08164649.2014.998451>
2007 Hired as a Caregiver, Demanded as a Housewife: Becoming a Migrant Domestic Worker in Turkey", *European Journal of Women's Studies*, Vol. 14 No. 3 <https://doi.org/10.1177/1350506807079011>

Dergi Makalesi

- 2025 "Göçmen Ev İşçilerinin Bakım Emeği: Yirmi Beş Yıllık bir Değerlendirme", *Toplum ve Bilim*, 172.

Book Chapters

International

- 2015 "The Lie Which Is Not One: Biopolitics in the Migrant Domestic Workers Market in Turkey", *The Post-Fordist Sexual Contract: Working and Living in Contingency*, Lisa Adkins, Maryanne Dever (eds). Palgrave Macmillan.
2014 "The International Student's Reflections on the CUNY Years: Far Away, So Close", *Women on the Role of Public Higher Education: Personal Reflections from CUNY's Graduate Center*, (eds.) Deborah Gambs & Rose Kim, Palgrave Macmillan, New York.
2014 "We are the Legionaries!": Filipina Domestic Workers in Istanbul" *Whose City is That?: Culture, Design, Spectacle, and Capital in Istanbul*, Dilek Ozhan Kocak & Orhan Kemal Kocak (eds.) Cambridge Scholars Publishing, Cambridge.
2008 "Die dort oben – die da unten: Die Beschäftigung von Migrantinnen ls Haushaltsbedienstete in Istanbul gated community", *Facetten internationaler Migration in die Türkei: Gesellschaftliche Rahmenbedingungen und persönliche Lebenswelten*, Barbara Pusch & Tomas Wilkoszewski (eds.), Ergon-Verlag, Würzburg.
2007 "Turning Labour into Love: The Employment of Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey", *Migration and Mobility in Enlarged Europe*, A. Senganata Münst, Sigrid Metz- Göckel, Mirjana Morokvasic-Müller (eds.) Barbara Budrich Publishers, Leverkusen Opladen.

Turkish

- 2025 “Göçmen Ev İşçilerinin Bakım Emeği: Yirmi Beş Yıllık bir Değerlendirme”, *Toplum ve Bilim*, 172.
- 2023 “Üniversiteli Genç Kadınların “Yaygın Feminizm”i: Direniş ve Dirayet” *Alışın, Her Yerdeyiz!; Mahcup Feministlerden Feminist Aktivistlere*, Dipnot Yayınları, İstanbul.
- 2023 “Duygulanımın Özerkliği: Göçmen Ev İşçisi Emeğinin Metalaşması”, *Temasın İmkanları: Değmek, Değer Üretmek, Dayanışmak*, Ayşe Akalın (der), Metis Yayınları, İstanbul.
- 2023 Zarftan Mazrufa: ‘Yaygın Feminizm’in Dijital Etkileşimselliği, *Türkiye’de Dijital Medya ve Feminizm*, Gülüm Şener ve Aslı Kotaman (der.), UM:AG Araştırmacı Gazetecilik Vakfı Yayınları, Ankara.
- 2016 “Biz Lejyonerlerimiz!": İstanbul’daki Filipinli Ev İşçileri”, *İstanbul Kimin Şehri?: Kültür, Tasarım, Seyirlik ve Sermaye*, Dilek Özhan Koçak, Orhan Kemal Koçak (der.), Metis Yayınları, İstanbul.
- 2015 “Mapping the Migrant Domestic Workers Market in Turkey: The Filipina Community”, *Waves of Diversity: Socio-Political Implications of International Migration in Turkey*. Zeynep Gulru Goker, Aysem Biriz Karacay, Deniz Sert (eds), Isis Yayınevi, İstanbul.
- 2014 “Arzulayan Bedenler: Kadın, Göçmen ve Kağıtsız Olmaya Dair”, *Yeni İstanbul Çalışmaları*, Ayfer Bartu & Cenk Ozbay (eds.) Metis Yayınları, İstanbul.
- 2012 “Açık, Döner, Mühürlü Kapılar: Yirminci Yüzyılda Batı/Doğu Ekseninde Emek Göçünün Seyri”, *Küreselleşme Çağında Göç*, N. Aslı Şirin Öner, S.Gülfer İhlamur (eds.), İletişim Yayınları, İstanbul.
- 2009 “‘Yukardakiler-Aşağıdakiler’: İstanbul’daki Güvenlikli Sitelerde Göçmen Ev Hizmetlisi İstihdamı” *Türkiye’ye Uluslararası Göç: Toplumsal Koşullar, Bireysel Yaşamlar*. Barbara Pusch & Toman Wilkoszewski (eds.) Kitap Yayınevi, İstanbul.

Book Reviews

- 2016 Worker-Mothers on the Margins of Europe: Gender and Migration between Moldova and Istanbul by Leyla J. Keough, *New Perspectives on Turkey*, 55.
- 2007 The Pedagogical State by Sam Kaplan, *Journal of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe*, 7(2): 37-38.
- 2005 A World in Chaos: Social Crisis and the Rise of Postmodern Cinema by Carl Boggs & Tom Pollard, *Contemporary Sociology*, 34(4):390
- 2005 Working Feminism by Geraldine Pratt, *Gender and Society*, 19 (6):861-862.

Non- Academic Publications

- 2019 “Köle Değil, Kırılğan Emekçi: Nadira Kadiova’nın Hatırlattığı”, Bir+Bir Forum, <https://www.birartibir.org/goc-ve-multecilik/490-kole-degil-kirilgan-emekci>
- 2018 “Doing Care, the Migrant Way: Transnational Mothering”, Bitter Things: Narratives and Memories of Transnational Families”, Exhibition booklet edited by Malve Lippmann and Can Sungu, Archive Books, Bi’bak, pp. 18-28.
- 2015 “Hayatin İktidarının Cinsiyet”, *Birikim*, Sayı: 320.
- 2015 “Ferhunde Ozbay’in Nüfus Sosyolojisi”, *Bianet*, <https://bianet.org/yazi/ferhunde-ozbay-in-nufus-sosyolojisi-169344>
- 2008 “Migration to Istanbul in the post-Soviet period”, Becoming Istanbul Exhibition, Galeri Garanti, Frankfurt, November.
- 2007 “Duygulanımsal Emek Üzerine Notlar”, *Birikim*, May.

Invited Talks

- 2018 Closing Remarks, Migration, Social Transformation and Differential Inclusion in Turkey: Young Scholars and Early Academics Conference, Istanbul Policy Center, Sabancı University
2018. Opening Talk, “Bitter Things: Narratives and Memories of Transnational Families”, Exhibition organized by Bi’Bak at Depo, Istanbul.
- 2014 Source Code Presenter on Migrants and Domestic Work, 16th ZEMOS98 Festival: Remapping Europe , Apr 8-12, Seville.

Conference Presentations

International

- 2025 “Governance through shifting: The Case of Turkey”, *Shifting States: EASA Anthropologies of the State Network Conference*, Amsterdam 22-24 October.
- 2023 “Anticipated Death, Irrepressible Anger: Young Feminists in Turkey” *Fourth Helsinki Conference on Emotions, Populism, and Polarised Politics*, 11-13 December, University of Helsinki, Finland.
- 2023 “The (Im)mobility of Migrant Domestic Workers: What’s Temporality Got to Do with It?” *(E)motion in Changing Worlds*, 3-5 November, 2023, The Department of English Literature of the School of English, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.
- 2023 “The Young Feminists and their Anger: An Old Story with a New Twist”, ATGENDER Spring Conference: Feminist Pedagogy of/beyond Borders, 4-6 September, Kadir Has University, Istanbul.
- 2022 “Anger and Feminism: The Young Feminists of Turkey and Their New Kind of Anger, *Affect and Ideology: Politics in the Impasse*, Department of Geography at University of Durham, July 11-12.
- 2022 “I Have a Struggle and I’m not Alone!”: Affective Bonds Among Young Feminist in Turkey, Challenging Social and Cultural Transformation: Gender and Youth Activism in New Authoritarian Regimes Workshop, May 27-28, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Germany (with Prof. Demet Lüküslü).
- 2021 Rethinking Gender, Youth and Politics: Young Feminists in Turkey, Panel: Rethinking the Definitions and Locations of Youth Politics in the Contemporary Middle East and North Africa, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting November 17-21, Baltimore, US (with Prof. Demet Lüküslü).
- 2020 “This is an Ordeal!: Young Feminists in Turkey Unpacking ‘the Opposition’ in Undemocratic Regimes: The Role, Transformation and Challenges of the Oppositional Actors in Turkey and Beyond Workshop, November 27, University of Turin (with Prof. Demet Lüküslü).
- 2017 “ ‘The Power of Your Voice’ (?): Gender Equality Campaigns on change.org”, Understanding Turkey: Vision, Revision, and the Future, April 28-29, The Abbasi Program, Stanford University.
- 2015 “Spatially Without, Temporally Within: the Regularization of Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, International Workshop on Social Transformation and International Migration in Turkey, Bogazici University 8-9 January.
- 2014 “Corporeal Borders: The Regularization of Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, The Borders of Crimmigration 9-10 November, Leiden.
- 2014 “Affective Labor: A Better Term in Contemplating Migrant Domestic Labor than Emotional Labor?”, Gender, Work & Organization, 8th Biennial International Interdisciplinary Conference, 24th - 26th June, Keele University, UK.
- 2014 “Paying Premiums as Ransom: The Regularization of Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey, MLN Conference -A Sea of Troubles?: Problematising Migration Law, Birkbeck College School of Law, Mar 28-29.
- 2014 “The Regularization of Turkmen Caregivers in Turkey”, The Central Asian Migrant Experience in Turkey and Russia Workshop, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi, 15-17 Ocak.
- 2013 “Bodies as Borders: Regularizing Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, Undocumented Migrants, Ethnic Enclaves and Networks: Opportunities, traps or class-based constructs. Status and status mobility stream, Dec 6, London Metropolitan University.

- 2013 “Little High, Little Low: Living Istanbul as a Filipina Domestic Worker”, Turkish-German Frontiers of Humanities Symposium (TUGFOH) 27-30 November, Koc University.
- 2013 “The Migrant Domestic Worker and the Affective Autonomy of Her Mobility”, American Sociological Association 108th Annual Meeting, Aug 10-13, New York, NY.
- 2013 “The Committed Heart: Two Decades of Belonging and Displacement”, Within and Beyond Citizenship: Lived Experiences of Contemporary Membership, University of Oxford, 11-12 April 2013.
- 2013 “Body, Affects, Displacement: The Value of Migrant Labor in Domestic Work”, Corporeal Capitalism Workshop: Body Matters in IPE, University of Birmingham, Apr 17.
- 2013 “Regulating the Undocumented Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey: A Threshold or a Hoax?”, International Studies Association, Apr 3-6, San Francisco.
- 2012 “The Exceptional Migrants?: The Regularization of Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, International Sociological Association World Forum, Aug 1-4 Buenos Aires.
- 2011 “Undocumentedness, Legality, Precarity: Mapping the Migrant Domestic Workers Market in Turkey”, Council of European Studies Annual Meeting, Barcelona, June 20-22.
- 2010 “The Illegality of Legality: The Law of Work Permits for Foreigners in Turkey”, EASA European Association for Social Anthropologists, the National University of Ireland Maynooth, Ireland, Aug 24-27.
- 2009 “The Migrant Domestic Workers Market in Turkey”, All About (Turkish) Migrations and Identity, TIES-RTN Workshop, Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Feb. 26-28.
- 2008 “Commodification of Intimacy: Care for the Elderly in the Migrant Domestic Workers Sector in Turkey”, Waged Domestic Work and Making of the Modern World Conference, University of Warwick, May 9-11.
- 2008 “Producing Affects: Migrant Domestic Workers of Postsocialism in Turkey”, Annual SOYUZ Symposium: Contemporary Critical Inquiry through the Lens of Postsocialism, Univ. of California, Berkeley, April 24-26.
- 2006 “A Day at the Park? Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey on Their Days off”, EASA Biennial Conference, University of Bristol, Sept 18 - 21.
- 2006 “Reterritorialized Identities: Consuming Socialism in Turkey” Annual SOYUZ Symposium: Walls and Bridges: Refiguring "Socialist" and "Postsocialist" Spaces in a Deterritorializing World, Bryant University, March 3-5.
- 2006 “Migration of Moldovan Domestic Workers: Liberation or ‘Triple Burden’?”, Documented and Undocumented Migration within Europe, University of Dortmund, January 12-14.
- 2005 “Love as a Commodity: Marriage in the Age of Transnationalism” Annual Meeting of Middle Eastern Studies Association, Washington, DC.
- 2005 “Love as a Commodity: Marriage in the Age of Transnationalism” Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, Washington DC.
- Special Presentation
- 2015 “Temporal Borders, Ephemeral Bodies: The Regularization Scheme for Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, Borders, Citizenship & Mobility: An Interdisciplinary Workshop on the Geopolitics of Encounter by Nicolas De Genova, King’s College London, June 5.
- Turkey
- 2018 “Teknik Üniversitede Toplumsal Cinsiyeti Tartışmak: Yöntemler, Gözlemler”, Toplumsal Cinsiyet ve Eğitim Konferansı, Sabancı Üniversitesi, 11-12-13 Mayıs 2018
- 2011 “Göçmen Ev İşçileri: Moldovalı ve Filipinli Göçmenler Üzerinden Bir Haritalandırma Çalışması”, Uluslararası Göç ve Kadın Emeği Sempozyumu 28 Kasım, Ankara Üniversitesi Siyasal Bilgiler Fakültesi.
- 2008 “Illegal, Armenian (and Anatolian!): The Armenian Migrant Domestic Workers in Turkey”, Hrant Dink Memorial Workshop Series: Frameworks of Diversity, Modalities of Interaction, Sabancı University, May 30-June 1.

2007

“Close Connections between Domestic Work and Migrancy: Foreign Women Working in the Domestic Work Sector in Turkey”, *Aspects of International Migration to Turkey: Social Conditions and Personal Life Worlds*. Orient Institut, Istanbul & Goethe Institut, Istanbul, March 8-10.