

# Curriculum Vitae

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Assistant Professor at Marmara University, Sociology Department  
Co-founder, shareholder, and senior methodologist at *Politus Analytics*

## Education:

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2018 - 2023	<b>Koç University</b> Sociology / PhD
2015 - 2018	<b>İstanbul Şehir University</b> Sociology / MA
2012 - 2015	<b>Boğaziçi University</b> Economics / Bachelor
2013 - 2014 (Fall)	One semester Erasmus program at Maastricht University
2011 - 2012	Physics (Left)
2009 - 2012	Electrical & Electronics Engineering (Left)

## Languages:

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English (Fluent)

Türkçe (Native)

## Professional experiences:

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2024, April - present

Assistant Professorship at Marmara University, Sociology Department

2022, September - present

Part-time instructor in the courses of “Advanced Data Analysis with Python,” at CSS MA Program and “Social Sciences and Computing” at Sociology Undergraduate Program of Koç University

2022, September - present

Co-founder, shareholder, and senior methodologist at the project of *Politus Analytics: Artificial intelligence-based data platform: Understanding voter and consumer behavior* (supported by European Research Council) <https://politusanalytics.com/>

2021- 2023

PhD researcher at the project of *Social-ComQuant: Building the Future / Excelling in Computational and Quantitative Social Sciences in Turkey* (Twinning Action grant, awarded by European Commission) <https://socialcomquant.ku.edu.tr/>

2019 - 2020 (Spring)

Part-time instructor in the course “Statistics for Social Sciences” at İstanbul Şehir University

2018 - 2021

PhD researcher at the project of *Emerging Markets Welfare* (funded by European Research Council) <https://emw.ku.edu.tr/>

2015 - 2018

Teaching and research assistantships at İstanbul Şehir University (6 months), İstanbul Sabahattin Zaim University (2 years) and parti-time instructor in the course "Calculus - I" at İstanbul Sabahattin Zaim University

### **Publications:**

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#### *Book chapters:*

Kına, M. Fuat and Erdem Yörük (2021). *The Dependent Variable Problem Revisited: Methods, Concepts, and Scope in the Welfare Retrenchment Literature*. In "Handbook on Austerity, Populism and the Welfare State," edited by Bent Greve. Edward Elgar Publishing.

#### *Published Articles:*

Yörük, Erdem, M. Fuat Kına and Ali Bargu (2023). "Political Determinants of Social Assistance Policies: A Critical Global Comparative Systematic Literature Review." *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis*. (<https://doi.org/10.1080/13876988.2022.2098721>)

Kına, M. Fuat (2024). "Contentious Politics of Welfare in Rural India: The Interplay Between the Maoist Insurgency and the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act." *Asian Journal of Social Sciences*.

#### *Conference Proceedings:*

Kına, M. Fuat, Erdem Yörük, Zübeyir Nişancı, Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Fırat Duruşan, Osman Mutlu, Melih Can Yardı, Oğuz Gürerk, Gizem Bacaksızlar Turbic, Şükrü Atsızelti, Tolga Etgü, Yusuf Akbulut. Validating Digital Traces with Survey Data: The Use Case of Religiosity (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.17220>).

#### *Working Papers:*

Kına, M. Fuat, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel. Demobilization by Substitution: Containing Rural Unrest Through the Bolsa Familia Program in Brazil.

Kına, M. Fuat. 2024. Exploring Recent Ideological Divides in Turkey: Political and Cultural Axes (<https://osf.io/kp7s2/download>).

Kına, M. Fuat. Examining Determinants of Labor Protests in Turkey: An Empirical Analysis of Public Feelings and Mobilization.

Kına, M. Fuat. Hindistan ve Brezilya Çekişmeli Siyasetlerinin Karşılaştırmalı Analizi: Mobilizasyon-Politika Bağlı.

Co-authored by Erdem Yörük et al. A Computational Analysis of Ideologies, Emotions, and Support for Presidential Candidates in Turkey.

Birelma, Alpkın, M. Fuat Kına, and Erdem Yörük. Political Determinants of Strikes.

#### *Publicly Released Datasets:*

Yörük, Erdem, Gabriela Ramalho Tafoya, İbrahim Öker, Ali Bargu, Alper Şükrü Gençer, Rahmi Çemen, Fuat Kına, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Murat Koyuncu. 2019. "Global Welfare Dataset, Version 2019." Available at <https://glow.ku.edu.tr/download>

Yörük, Erdem, Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Osman Mutlu, Fırat Duruşan, Çağrı Yoltar, M. Fuat Kına.... 2024. "Global Contentious Politics Database, Version 2024." Available at <https://glocon.ku.edu.tr/download>

#### *PhD thesis:*

“Substitution as a Government Strategy: Social Assistance and Radical Rural Movements in Brazil and India” (2023) under the supervision of Erdem Yörük

*Master thesis:*

“Anti-immigrant attitudes and the dual cost of labor precarity for immigrants: the cases of Germany, France, and the United Kingdom” (2018) under the supervision of Zübeyir Nişancı

**Awards:**

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2023 GSSSH Academic Excellence Award - Koç University Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities  
2211/A National PhD Scholarship Program - The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK)

**Research interests:**

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Computational Social Science, Social Movements, Social Policy, Statistics, Data Science, Causal Inference

**Workshop organization:**

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2024, *May*: Workshop Organization at ACM, Web Science 24. “Linking Surveys and Social Media Data: Advancing Public Opinion Research (LASER)”

**Conference presentations:**

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2024, *May*: Paper presentation, “Examining Determinants of Labor Protests in Turkey: An Empirical Analysis of Public Feelings and Mobilization” at *Turkey Computational Social Sciences Conference 2024 (TCSS 2024)* in İstanbul, Turkey.

2024, *March*: Paper presentation, “Linking Surveys and Social Media Data: Shaping the Future of Public Opinion Research with the Politus Project” at *WEB DATA OPP Workshop* in Barcelona, Spain.

2023, *April*: Paper presentation, “Politus Project: Using Digital Traces to Predict Political and Social Trends Preliminary Findings” at *Turkey Computational Social Sciences Conference 2023 (TCSS 2023)* in İstanbul, Turkey.

2022, *July*: Paper presentation (online), “Demanding matters: The Contentious Politics of Rural India (The Naxalites, the NREGA, and the Special Economic Zones)” at *ISA - RC48 Reinventing the Future: Addressing Social Movement Challenges in a Post- Pandemic World* in Huddersfield, UK.

2019, *November*: Paper presentation, “Brezilya’da Refah Yardımları Yoluyla Siyasal Çevreleme: Toprak İşgalleri, Reform ve Bolsa Familia” at *Türk Sosyal Bilimler Derneği - 16. Ulusal Sosyal Bilimler Kongresi* in Ankara, Turkey.

2019, *August*: Paper presentation, “Containment Through Welfare Provision: Land Invasions, Land Reforms and the Implementation of the Bolsa Familia Program in Brazil” at *ISA - RC19 Annual Conference on Poverty, Social Welfare and Social Policy* in Mannheim, Germany.

**Software programs:**

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Python, R, STATA, SPSS

**Github projects and repositories:**

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Advanced Data Analysis with Python: <https://github.com/fuatkina/Advanced-Data-Analysis-with-Python>

A Dynamic Multilevel Regression and Post-Stratification (MRP) Model in R: <https://github.com/fuatkina/MRP-analysis-in-R>

Perception of conflict in the U.S. and U.K. over the Palestine issue: <https://github.com/STM-for-the-Palestine-issue/SICSS-project> (with two colleagues)

Veri Bilimi - Otomatik Veri Çekme (Python): <https://github.com/fuatkina/Veri-Bilimi-Otomatik-Veri-Cekme-Python>