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## Employment

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### Marmara University, Istanbul

Assistant Professor 2020-  
Department of Political Science and International Relations

### Harvard University, MA

Postdoctoral Research Fellow 2019-2020  
Middle East Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School of Government

## Education

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### University of Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D., Political Science 2019  
Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations  
Advisor: Michael Coppedge

M.A., Political Science 2015

### Koç University, Istanbul

M.A., International Relations 2014

### Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul

B.A., International Relations 2011

## Research Interests

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Authoritarian Regimes, Regime Transition and Democratization, Coup d'état, Middle Eastern and North African Politics (Algeria, Tunisia and Egypt), Experimental Design, Religion and Politics, Mixed Research Methods, Survey Analysis

## Publications and Works in Progress

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### *Book Manuscript*

*Authoritarian Persistence and Regime Change in the Middle East and North Africa: Autocrats, Opposition, and Coalitions*

*Peer Reviewed Publications*

"Hopes and Disappointments: Regime Change and Support for Democracy after the Arab Uprisings" (with Nathanael Sumaktoyo), *Democratization*, 27(5), 2020, pp. 854-873.

"Determinants of Participation in Protests in the Arab Uprisings: Grievances and Opportunities in Egypt and Tunisia", *Uluslararası İlişkiler Dergisi*, 17(67), 2020, pp. 81-96.

"Tunus'ta Demokratikleşme ve Elit Teorisi" [Democratization in Tunisia and Elite Theory] (with M. Huseyin Mercan), *Uluslararası İlişkiler Dergisi*, 14(55), 2017, pp.75-92.

*Book Chapters*

"The Establishment and Success of Islamist Parties", *Routledge Handbook of Political Parties in the Middle East and North Africa*, eds. Francesco Cavatorta, Lise Storm, and Valeria Resta, Routledge, Forthcoming.

"Mısır'da Liberal Düşünce", [The Liberal Thought in Egypt], *Müslüman Dünya'da Çağdaş Düşünce, Cilt 2: Mısır Düşüncesi*, ed. Lütfi Sunar, Yurtdışı Türkler ve Akraba Topluluklar Başkanlığı Yayınları, 2020.

"Merkezde ve Sömürgelerde Kilise-Devlet İlişkisi: Britanya Hindistanı ve Fransız Afrika'sında Sömürge Devleti ve Misyonerler", [Domestic and Colonial Church-State Relations: Colonial State and Missionaries in British India and French Africa], *II. Türkiye Lisansüstü Çalışmalar Kongresi Bildiriler Kitabı*, Istanbul, 2013.

*Non-Peer Reviewed Publications*

*Algeria's Uprising: A Survey of Protesters and the Military* (with Sharan Grewal & Robert Kubinec). The Brookings Institution, July 2019. <https://www.brookings.edu/research/algerias-uprising-a-survey-of-protesters-and-the-military/>

Book Review: "Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa" by Matt Buehler, 2019, *The Journal of North African Studies*.

*Reconfiguring the Algerian Regime: On the Stability and Robustness of Authoritarianism in Algeria*. Al-Sharq Forum, Expert Brief, May 2017. <http://sharqforum.org/2017/05/02/reconfiguring-the-algerian-regime-on-the-stability-and-robustness-of-authoritarianism-in-algeria/>

*Algeria: A Country Report Based on V-Dem Data 1962-2012*. V-Dem Country Report Series, No. 8, Gothenburg: V-Dem Institute, 2015. Link

*Orta Doğu'da İslamcı Siyaset: Değişim Sürecinde Müslüman Kardeşler ve Nahda*, [Islamist Politics in the Middle East: Muslim Brotherhood and Ennahda in the Transition Process], (co-author M. Huseyin Mercan, Suleyman Guder), Istanbul: ILKE Policy Report, no. 2, December 2012.

"Restoring Brotherly Bonds: Turkish-Azerbaijani Energy Relations" (co-author Şuhnaz Yılmaz), *PONARS Eurasia Policy Papers*, Policy Memo No. 240, Washington D.C., September 2012.

*Works in Progress*

Once Allies, Always Allies: How Coalition Building under Authoritarianism Determine Democratic Transitions in the MENA?

Voting for Identity or Voting for Policy: The Limits of Islamist Electoral Advantage (with Yusuf Mağiya)

Competing Theories of Regime Preferences in the MENA: An Experimental Analysis (with Michael Hoffman & Nathanael Sumaktoyo)

Ghosts of the Black Decade: The Legacy of Violence and the Hirak in Algeria (with Sharan Grewal)

Anti-Immigrant Sentiments During Non-Migrant Crises: Attitudes toward Syrians on Turkish Twitter (with Ahmet Utku Akbiyik, M. Yusuf Koçyiğit & Ömer Faruk Yalçın)

Perceptions on Religion and Peacemaking in Muslim Democracies (with Nathanael Sumaktoyo)

Islamist Advantage in Transitional Contexts of Algeria and Sudan: A Conjoint Experiment (with Sharan Grewal, Steven Brooke, Kim Guiler & Robert Kubinec)

International Coup Norms and Coup Outcomes around the World (with Gary Goertz, Laurie Nathan, Jeremy Graham & Luis Schenoni)

The Limits of Gender Equality in the MENA: Competing Considerations and Experimental Evidence on Inheritance Law Reform (with Youssef Chouhoud)

Reconfiguring the Algerian Regime: Regime Consolidation during the Political Conflict of the 1990s

### *Opinion and Commentary*

"Algerians have been protesting for a year. Here's what you need to know", *The Monkey Cage*, February 22, 2020, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/02/22/algerians-have-been-protesting-year-heres-what-you-need-know/>

"Here's why Algerians are protesting", *The Monkey Cage*, February 25, 2019, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/02/25/heres-why-algerians-are-protesting/>

"Roundtable: Future of Political Islam in the MENA under the Changing Regional Order" (with Stacey Philbrick Yadav, Peter Mandaville, Courtney Freer, Francesco Cavatorta & Samer Shehata), *The Maydan & Jadaliyya*, August 16, 2018, <https://www.themaydan.com/2018/08/roundtable-future-political-islam-mena-changing-regional-order/>

"Low turnout in last week's Algerian elections is a major blow to the government", *The Monkey Cage*, May 12, 2017, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/05/12/algerian-elections-had-low-voter-turnout-heres-why-it-matters/>

"A Quick Guide to Fieldwork", *The Maydan*, January 28, 2017, <https://www.themaydan.com/2017/01/quick-guide-fieldwork/>

"Fas'taki protestolar neden yeni bir Arap Baharı başlatamadı?" [Why couldn't Protests in Morocco Start a New Arab Spring?], *Al Jazeera Turk*, November 15, 2016, <http://www.aljazeera.com.tr/gorus/fastaki-protestolar-neden-yeni-bir-arap-bahari-baslatamadi>

## Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

### *External*

Kellogg Institute, Notre Dame, Research Grant (with Hoffman & Sumaktoyo) (\$9,700)

2020

Research in Islamic Studies Award, Ali Vural Ak Center, George Mason University	2018
Global Religion Research Initiative (GRRI), Project Launch Grant (\$12,000)	2017
American Institute of Maghrib Studies (AIMS), Mrad Graduate Student Travel Award	2017
The Tunis Exchange, Participant	2017
Centre d'Etudes Maghrébines à Tunis (CEMAT), Research Affiliate	2017
Centre d'Etudes Maghrébines en Algérie (CEMA), Research Affiliate	2016-2017
BİDEB Graduate Studies Grant, TÜBİTAK (National Science Foundation of Turkey)	2011-2013
Research Travel Grant, Field Trip to Egypt and Tunisia, ILKE Foundation (\$1,500)	2012
Foreign Language (Arabic) Training Grant in Damascus, Syria, ISAR Foundation	2010

### *Internal*

Kellogg Institute, Distinguished Dissertation Award	2019
University of Notre Dame, Instructor Award Honorable Mention	2019
Kellogg Institute, Uni of Notre Dame, Research Grant (with Goertz et. al.) (\$8,700)	2018-2019
Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, Dissertation Year Fellowship	2018-2019
University of Notre Dame, Excellence in Teaching Award	2018
University of Notre Dame, Striving for Excellence in Teaching Certificate	2018
Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, Graduate Student Affiliate	2015-2018
Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, Conference Travel Grant	2017
ISLA, University of Notre Dame, Notabaert Professional Development Grant (\$3,000)	2016
Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame, Graduate Research Grant (\$7,000)	2016
University of Notre Dame, Graduate Student Union Conference Presentation Grant	2015, 2016, 2017
Koç University, Full Scholarship (tuition & fellowship)	2011-2013
Istanbul Bilgi University, Valedictorian	2011
European Union Erasmus Exchange Programme Grant	2010-2011
Istanbul Bilgi University, Outstanding Academic Achievement Scholarship	2008-2011

## Teaching and Research Experience

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### *Instructor of Record*

<b>Advanced Seminar in Comparative Politics</b> (Graduate) Marmara University	Fall 2020
<b>Research Workshop</b> Marmara University	Fall 2020
<b>Islam and Politics: Sources, Ideas and Movements</b> University of Notre Dame	Spring 2018

### *Teaching Assistant*

<b>Middle Eastern Politics</b> , Prof. Michael Hoffman University of Notre Dame	Fall 2017
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<b>World Politics: Introduction to Comparative Politics</b> , Prof. Guillermo Trejo University of Notre Dame	Fall 2015
<b>Introduction to International Relations</b> , Prof. Tanisha Fazal University of Notre Dame	Spring 2015 & 2016
<b>World Politics: Introduction to Comparative Politics</b> , Prof. Sean McGraw University of Notre Dame	Fall 2014
<b>History of Political Thought</b> , Prof. Şuhnaz Yılmaz Koç University	Spring 2012 & 2013
<b>Turkish Foreign Policy</b> , Prof. Şuhnaz Yılmaz Koç University	Fall 2011
<b>Turkish-American Relations</b> , Prof. Şuhnaz Yılmaz Koç University	Fall 2011

*Additional Teaching*

<b>Mixed-Methods Research and Fieldwork</b> Data Science Camp for Social Scientists, Turkey	Summer 2019
<b>Research Design and Academic Writing</b> (One-week Intensive Course) Université Emir Abdelkader, Algeria	Fall 2016

*Fieldwork*

Turkey	2017, 2018
Algeria	2016, 2017
Tunisia	2012, 2017
Egypt	2012

*Datasets*

<b>Religion and Democracy Survey (Algeria, Indonesia, &amp; Turkey)</b> M. Tahir Kilavuz, Michael Hoffman, Nathanael G. Sumaktoyo	In Progress
<b>Coup Norms and International Reactions to Coups, A Global Dataset</b> M. Tahir Kilavuz, Gary Goertz, Laurie Nathan, Jeremy Graham & Benjamin Garcia	In Progress
<b>Algeria Mass Killings Dataset (1992-1999)</b> M. Tahir Kilavuz	2020
<b>Tunisian Elite Survey</b> (n=250) M. Tahir Kilavuz, Youssef Chouhoud, Matt Gordner	2019
<b>Algeria Transition Survey</b> (n=18000) M. Tahir Kilavuz, Sharan Grewal, Robert Kubinec	2019
<b>Arab Regime Preferences Survey</b> (Tunisia, Egypt, Morocco, n=3000) M. Tahir Kilavuz, Nathanael G. Sumaktoyo, Michael Hoffman	2018
<b>Tunisia Political Attitudes Survey</b> (n=900) M. Tahir Kilavuz, Youssef Chouhoud, Mujtaba Isani, Nathanael Sumaktoyo	2017

*Research Assistant*

<b>Varieties of Democracy Project (V-Dem)</b> Prof. Michael Coppedge	2015
<b>Turkish-American Relations: Between the Stars, Stripes and the Crescent</b> Prof. Şuhnaz Yılmaz	2013
<b>Turkey's Energy Efficiency Map and Objectives</b> Prof. Metin Türkay, Prof. Şuhnaz Yılmaz	2012-2013

**Regimes of Ethnicity: A Global Database of State Policies on Ethnicity** 2012  
 Prof. Şener Aktürk

## Conference Participation

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Winter Experimental Social Sciences Institute (WESSI), NYU Abu Dhabi	2020
Turkey Today Conference, Columbia University	2019
American Political Science Association (APSA)	2017
Middle East Studies Association (MESA)	2017, 2018
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	2015, 16, 18, 19
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR)	2018
Center for Study of Islam and Democracy (CSID) Annual Conference	2018
American Institute of Maghreb Studies (AIMS) Dissertation Workshop	2017
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)	2015
Cairo Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies (Rapporteur)	2013
International ISAR Symposium on Civilization and Change (Organizer)	2012

## Additional Training

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### *Methods Training*

<b>ISAR</b> , Summer Program on Archival Methodology Istanbul Foundation for Education and Research	2018
<b>IQMR</b> , Summer Program in the Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Syracuse University, NY	2016
<b>ICPSR</b> , Summer Program in Quantitative Methods for Social Research University of Michigan, MI	2015

### *Non-Degree Programs and Language Training*

<b>Sciences Po Paris</b> , Erasmus Exchange Programme Paris, France	2011
<b>Institut de Langue Française</b> , French Intensive Program Paris, France	2010
<b>Al-Fath Institute</b> , Arabic Summer Intensive Program Damascus, Syria	2010

## Professional Affiliations

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American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)  
Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA)  
American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS)  
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR)

## Professional Service

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**Reviewer**, The British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies, Contemporary Politics  
**Country Coordinator** (Algeria), Varieties of Democracy Project (V-Dem)  
**Co-Organizer**, Middle East Studies Workshop, University of Notre Dame

## Skills and Languages

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### *Skills*

Stata, R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Beamer, Qualtrics, MTurk

### *Methods*

Experimental Methods, Survey Methodology, Multilevel Methods, Survival Analysis, Categorical Data Analysis, Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE), Field Research, Archival Methods

### *Languages*

**English** (Fluent), **Turkish** (Native), **Arabic** (Fluent - Classical; Modern Standard; Syrian and Algerian Dialects), **French** (Advanced), **Ottoman Turkish** (Reading)

## References

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