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Employment

2021 - Assistant Professor, New York University Abu Dhabi
2020 - 2021 Post-Doctoral Associate, New York University

Education

2020 Princeton University, Ph.D., Politics (Program in Political Economy)
2014 Sabanci University, M.A., Economics
2012 Sabanci University, B.A., Economics

Research

Publications Killian Clarke and Korhan Kocak (2020). “Launching Revolution: Social Media and the Egyptian Uprising’s First Movers,” *British Journal of Political Science* 50.3, pp. 1025–1045.

Laura Paler, Camille Strauss-Kahn, and Korhan Kocak (2020). “Is Bigger Always Better? How Targeting Aid Windfalls Affects Capture and Social Cohesion,” *Comparative Political Studies* 53.3, pp. 359–398.

Working Papers “Improving Preference Elicitation in Conjoint Designs using Machine Learning for Heterogeneous Effects,” with Scott Abramson, Asya Magazinnik, and Anton Strezhnev.

“Provoking the Opposition.”

“What Do We Learn About Voter Preferences From Conjoint Experiments?” with Scott Abramson and Asya Magazinnik.

“Sequential Updating: A Behavioral Model of Belief Change.”

“Social Media and Press Freedom” with Ozgur Kibris.

Work in progress “Ideology, Electability, and Valence” with Scott Abramson and Asya Magazinnik.

“Talking Points: A Bandit Theory of Political Agency.”

Professional Activities

Reviewer American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Economics Letters, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Politics, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Political Science Research and Methods, Quarterly Journal of Political Science.

Invited talks and presentations 2020: SPSA, UdeM, PolMeth, NYU. 2019: SPSA, MPSA, PolMeth, APSA, NYUAD, Vanderbilt, UCL. 2018: MPSA, Behavioral Models of Politics, APSA. 2017: MPSA, EPSA, EITM Summer Institute. 2016: IPSA, APSA. 2015: MPSA. 2013: Bosphorus Workshop on Economic Design.

Coordinator Princeton Political Economy Research Seminar, 2016-2018.

Teaching

- Spring 2018 Princeton University, POL 575 - Formal Political Analysis I
Teaching Assistant for Germán Gieczewski
- Summer 2017 Princeton University, Politics Math Camp, Instructor
- Spring 2017 Princeton University, POL 575 - Formal Political Analysis I
Teaching Assistant for Germán Gieczewski
- Fall 2016 Princeton University, POL 349 - Political Economy
Teaching Assistant for Thomas Romer
- Fall 2013 Sabanci University, ECON 503 - Macroeconomics I
Teaching Assistant for Remzi Kaygusuz and Hakki Yazici
- 2011 - 2014 Sabanci University, ECON 201 - Games and Strategies (five terms)
Teaching Assistant for Ahmet Alkan (Fall 2011 - Fall 2012)
Teaching Assistant for Ozgur Kibris (Spring 2013 and Spring 2014)
- Spring 2011 Sabanci University, ECON 310 - Game Theory
Teaching Assistant for Mehmet Barlo

Research Experience

- Spring 2016 Research assistant, Matias Iaryczower and Gabriel Lopez-Moctezuma
- Fall 2014 Research assistant, Pinar Dogan and Dani Rodrik
- Fall 2014 Research assistant, Adam Meirowitz and Kris Ramsay
- Summer 2011 Research assistant, Izak Atiyas
- Summer 2011 Research assistant, Ayca Giritligil

Selected Honors, Grants, and Fellowships

- Winter 2020 Bobst Graduate Travel Grant, Princeton University
- Fall 2019 Grant, Research Program in Political Economy, Princeton University
- 2017, 2019 Dean's Fund for Scholarly Travel, Princeton University
- 2019 - 2020 Dean's Completion Fellowship, Princeton University
- Summer 2019 NSF Travel Grant for the PolMeth Summer Meeting
- Summer 2017 NSF Travel Grant for EITM Summer Institute
- 2015 - 2019 Q-APS Fellowship, Princeton University
- 2014 - 2019 Graduate Fellowship, Princeton University
- 2008 - 2014 Fellowship and Tuition Scholarship, Sabanci University
- 2008 - 2012 Outstanding Success Scholarship, Turkish Education Foundation
- 2008 - 2012 Scholarship, Hisar Education Foundation
- 2008 - 2012 Sakip Sabanci Scholarship, Sabanci University
- 2008 - 2012 KYK Scholarship for outstanding success, Turkish Ministry of Youth
- 2003 Medalist in TUBITAK National Mathematics Olympiad, Turkey