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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.
Committee: Matias Iaryczower, Germán Gieczewski, Kristopher Ramsay.
Political Economy, Formal and Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics.

2014 Sabanci University, M.A., Economics.
2012 Sabanci University, B.A., Economics.

Research

Publications Scott F Abramson, Korhan Kocak, and Asya Magazinnik (2022). “What Do We Learn about Voter Preferences from Conjoint Experiments?” *American Journal of Political Science*.

Korhan Kocak and Özgür Kıbrıs (2022). “Social Media and Press Freedom,” *British Journal of Political Science*, pp. 1–23.

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 “Altruistic Motives and the Timing of Protests” with Germán Gieczewski.

“How To Keep Citizens Disengaged: Propaganda and Causal Misperceptions” with Carlo Horz.

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

“Provoking the Opposition.”

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

<i>Work in progress</i>	“Detecting Preference Cycles in Forced-Choice Conjoint Experiments” with Scott Abramson, Asya Magazinnik, and Anton Strezhnev. “Ideology, Electability, and Valence” with Scott Abramson and Asya Magazinnik. “Talking Points: A Bandit Theory of Political Agency.”
<i>Book project</i>	“Models all the Way Down” with Scott Abramson and Asya Magazinnik.

Professional Activities

<i>Invited talks and presentations</i>	2021: LA Polmeth. 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.
<i>Reviewer</i>	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, Mathematical Social Sciences, Political Analysis, Political Science Research and Methods, Quarterly Journal of Political Science.
<i>Coordinator</i>	Princeton Political Economy Research Seminar, 2016-2018.

Teaching

NYU Abu Dhabi	POLSC-UH 2311: Political Economy of Institutions (Spring, Fall 2022) POLSC-UH 2423: Media and Politics (Spring, Fall 2022)
Princeton University	POL 575: Formal Political Analysis I; TA for Germán Gieczewski (Spring 2017, Spring 2018). Politics Math Camp, Instructor (Summer 2017). POL 349: Political Economy; TA for Thomas Romer (Fall 2016).
Sabancı University	ECON 503: Macroeconomics I; TA for Remzi Kaygusuz and Hakki Yazici (Fall 2013). ECON 201: Games and Strategies (five terms); TA for Ahmet Alkan (Fall 2011 – Fall 2012), TA for Ozgur Kibris (Spring 2013, 2014). ECON 310: Game Theory; TA for Mehmet Barlo (Spring 2011).

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