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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Microeconomic Theory, Political Economy Market Design, Organizational Economics	
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	<b>Bilkent University</b> , Ankara, Turkey Assistant Professor, Department of Economics On leave for the 2021-2022 Academic Year	2020-
	<b>Harvard Kennedy School</b> , Cambridge, MA Visiting Assistant Professor of Public Policy	2021-2022
	<b>University of Chicago</b> , Chicago, IL Postdoctoral Researcher, Harris School of Public Policy	2019-2020
EDUCATION	<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b> , Cambridge, MA Ph.D. in Economics Fields: Microeconomic Theory, Political Economy Thesis title: “Essays on Markets and Information” Dissertation Committee: Daron Acemoglu, Parag Pathak, Alexander Wolitzky	2013-2019
	<b>Koç University</b> , İstanbul, Turkey M.A. in Economics Thesis title: “Are Search Equilibria Competitive?” B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering	2011-2013 2006-2011
PUBLICATIONS	“School Choice under Partial Fairness” with Umut Dur and Özgür Yılmaz. Theoretical Economics 14 (2019), 1309 - 1346.  “The Difficulty of Easy Projects” with Wioletta Dziuda and Mehdi Shadmehr. American Economic Review: Insights 2021, 3(3): 285 - 302.	
RESEARCH PAPERS	“Proximity and the Formation of Diverse Social Networks: Theory and Evidence” with Román Andrés Zárate.  “Political Economy of Crisis Response” with Konstantin Sonin and Austin L. Wright. Becker-Friedman Institute Working Paper No. 2020-68.  “Search, Matching, and Signaling: Do Markets Help Relationships?”  “Partisan Media, News Coverage, and Polarization” with Pooya Molavi, under revision.  “Priority-Based Matching with a Social Objective: Contract Design for Access and Equity” with Umut Dur, Parag Pathak and Tayfun Sönmez, in progress.	

“Exit, Voice, and Institutions”  
with Daron Acemoglu, in progress.

“Are Dynamic Matching Platforms Natural Monopolies?”  
with Ömer Karaduman, in progress.

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**Harvard Kennedy School**, Cambridge, MA 2021-2022

*Instructor*

- API 109: Advanced Microeconomic Analysis I (*Graduate Level*), Fall 2021
- API 111/Econ 2020a/HBSDOC 4010: Microeconomic Theory I (*Graduate Level*), Fall 2021

**Bilkent University**, Ankara, Turkey 2020-

*Instructor*

- ECON 101: Introduction to Economics I, Fall 2020 & Spring 2021
- ECON 548: Topics in Economics of Information (*Graduate Level*), Part I, Spring 2021
- ECON 504: Microeconomic Theory (*Graduate Level*), Part II, Spring 2021

**Harris School of Public Policy**, Chicago, IL 2019-2020

*Instructor*

- PPHA 32400: Microeconomics and Public Policy II (*Graduate Level*), Winter 2020

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA 2015-2019

*Teaching Assistant*

- 14.125 Market Design (*Graduate Level*), Spring 2017 & 2018 & 2019
- 14.124 Mechanism Design (*Graduate Level*), Spring 2019
- 14.770 Introduction to Political Economy (*Graduate Level*), Fall 2017
- 14.122 Game Theory (*Graduate Level*), Fall 2015 & 2016 & 2017
- 14.387 Applied Econometrics (*Graduate Level*), Spring 2016

**Koç University**, İstanbul, Turkey 2011-2013

*Teaching Assistant*

- Econ. 503 Microeconomics I (*Graduate Level*), Fall 2012
- Econ. 312 Econometrics II, Spring 2012
- Econ. 311 Econometrics I, Fall 2011

RELEVANT  
POSITIONS

Research Assistant to Daron Acemoglu Summer 2015  
Research Assistant to Parag Pathak & Joshua Angrist Summer 2015  
Research Assistant to Jean Tirole Summer 2014

FELLOWSHIPS AND  
HONORS

Levitan Teaching Award by MIT School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences 2018  
Graduate Teaching Assistant of the Year Award by MIT Graduate Economics Association 2018  
UniCredit & Universities Crivelli Europe Scholarship 2013-2015  
TÜBİTAK<sup>1</sup> M.A. Scholarship (Program Code: 2228) 2011-2013  
Koç University High Merit Scholarship 2006-2011

PROFESSIONAL  
ACTIVITIES

Refereeing for: Economic Inquiry, Eastern Economic Journal, International Economic Review, International Journal of Game Theory, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics

Co-Organizer of 5th BEET (Bargaining, Experiments, Empirics, and Theory) Workshop 2021

Co-Organizer of Bilkent Microeconomics Seminar Series 2020-2021

Co-Organizer of MIT Economic Theory Lunch 2017-2018

<sup>1</sup>The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey.

MIT Splash  
Taught a mini-class named “Game Theory in Movies” to high school students.

2015, 2016, 2017

REFERENCES

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