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	<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	2019
	<b>Koç University</b> , İstanbul, Turkey M.A. in Economics B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering	2013 2011
PUBLICATIONS	“The Difficulty of Easy Projects” with Wioletta Dziuda and Mehdi Shadmehr. <i>American Economic Review: Insights</i> 2021, 3(3): 285–302.  “School Choice under Partial Fairness” with Umut Dur and Özgür Yılmaz. <i>Theoretical Economics</i> 14 (2019), 1309–1346.	
WORKING PAPERS	“Polarization and Media Bias” with Pooya Molavi.  “The Dictator’s Dilemma: A Theory of Propaganda and Repression” with Konstantin Sonin.  “Improving the Deferred Acceptance with Minimal Compromise” with Mustafa Oguz Afacan, Umut Dur and Özgür Yılmaz.  “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.  “Search, Matching, and Signaling: Do Markets Help Relationships?”	

WORK IN PROGRESS	<p>“On (the Absence of) Executive Constraint in the Islamic Civilization” with James A. Robinson and Mehdi Shadmehr, in progress.</p> <p>“Priority-Based Matching with a Social Objective: Contract Design for Access and Equity” with Umut Dur, Parag Pathak and Tayfun Sönmez, in progress.</p> <p>“Exit, Voice, and Institutions” with Daron Acemoglu, in progress.</p> <p>“Are Dynamic Matching Platforms Natural Monopolies?” with Ömer Karaduman, in progress.</p>						
TEACHING	<p><b>Harvard Kennedy School</b>, Cambridge, MA <span style="float: right;">2021-2022</span></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• API 109: Advanced Microeconomic Analysis I, Fall 2021</li> <li>• API 111/Econ 2020a/HBSDOC 4010: Microeconomic Theory I, Fall 2021</li> </ul> <p><b>Bilkent University</b>, Ankara, Turkey <span style="float: right;">2020-</span></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ECON 101: Introduction to Economics I, Fall 2020 &amp; Spring 2021</li> <li>• ECON 548: Topics in Economics of Information, Part I, Spring 2021</li> <li>• ECON 504: Microeconomic Theory, Part II, Spring 2021</li> </ul> <p><b>Harris School of Public Policy</b>, Chicago, IL <span style="float: right;">2019-2020</span></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPHA 32400: Microeconomics and Public Policy II, Winter 2020</li> </ul>						
FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS	<p>Levitan Teaching Award by MIT School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences <span style="float: right;">2018</span></p> <p>Graduate Teaching Assistant of the Year Award by MIT Graduate Economics Association <span style="float: right;">2018</span></p> <p>UniCredit &amp; Universities Crivelli Europe Scholarship <span style="float: right;">2013-2015</span></p> <p>TÜBİTAK<sup>1</sup> M.A. Scholarship (Program Code: 2228) <span style="float: right;">2011-2013</span></p> <p>Koç University High Merit Scholarship <span style="float: right;">2006-2011</span></p>						
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