

EDUCATION

- **Boston University** Boston, MA
Ph.D. in Political Science September 2019 – May 2024
- **Northeastern University** Boston, MA
Master in International Affairs, Concentration: International Public Policy September 2017 – May 2019
- **Koc University** Istanbul, TR
Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Sociology, Double Major September 2012 – May 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Kaftan, Gizem (2021). Flexible Nation: Turkish Nation Under Justice and Development Party (AKP) Rule. *Nationalities Papers*. <https://doi.org/10.1017/nps.2021.40>
- Kaftan, Gizem (2020). The Turkish Women's Movement in Abeyance. *Journal of International Women's Studies*, 21(6), 184-195. <https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/vol21/iss6/11>
- Moghadam, Valentine M., & Kaftan, Gizem (2019). Right-wing Populisms North and South: Varieties and Gender Dynamics. *Women's Studies International Forum*, 75. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.wsif.2019.102244>

WORKING PAPERS & PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- Sacred vs. Primordial Identity: European Union, Russia, and Turkey (Working Paper)
- Right-wing Populism and Gendered Institutional Change: A Case Study of Turkey's Patriarchal Authoritarianism (Working Paper)
- The Invention of Tradition and New Turkey: Creating a New National Identity (Working Paper)

CONFERENCE PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

- Association for the Study of Nationalism Annual Meeting, **New York City, NY** 2020, 2021
- Midwestern Political Science Association Conference, **Chicago, IL** 2020, 2021
- American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, **Philadelphia, PA** 2019
- American Society of Criminology 75th Annual Meeting, **San Francisco, CA** 2019
- International Conference on Eurasian Politics and Society, **Lisbon, Portugal** 2019
- Global Studies Association Conference, **Washington DC** 2018
- Koç University Law Club International Symposium, **Istanbul, Turkey** 2016

INVITED TALKS

- Northeastern University Center for Advanced Teaching and Learning Through Research (CATLR) Conference, New Designs Section on Pop-Up Courses: Why, What, How?, Advantages and Challenges of the Pop-Up Course on Brexit.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Boston University** Boston, MA
Graduate Research Consultant August-September 2020
 - Conducted research on operations and management expenditures of the defense companies in the European Union.
 - Created a data set by using NATO and European Union defense databases to estimate the size of the aftermarket services for military weapons.
 - Coauthored a report on operations and maintenance expenditure of European countries.
- **Northeastern University** Boston, MA
Graduate Research Assistant & Project Manager December 2018-May 2019

- Conducted qualitative coding of the immigrant interview transcripts.
- Wrote short memos on topics related to sanctuary cities, safe spaces, and immigration.

- **Koç University**

Istanbul, TR

Research Assistant

September 2012-August 2017

- Edited a book chapter about the Treasury of Turkey for professor's forthcoming book.
- Summarized articles related to labor uprisings, labor problems, and strikes in Latin America and Turkey.
- Coded diplomacy and diplomatic relations data to Microsoft Excel.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Boston University**

Boston, MA

Co-Instructor for European Politics

September – December 2021

- **Boston University**

Boston, MA

Graduate Teaching Fellow for Data Science for Politics

January – May 2021

- Held weekly office hours to help students by using R.
- Graded and provided comments for weekly homework assignments by using Gradescope interface.

- **Boston University**

Boston, MA

Graduate Teaching Fellow for Quantitative Methods I

September – December 2020

- Taught weekly R labs to graduate students once a week by using R Studio.
- Taught using \LaTeX to graduate students by using Overleaf.
- Graded the weekly homework assignments by using Blackboard interface.

- **Northeastern University**

Boston, MA

Graduate Teaching Assistant for Brexit Class

January – April 2019

- Presented the European Union's integration rounds to a class of 20.
- Created scenarios on Brexit and its effects on nationalism and economy in the United Kingdom with a total of 9 students.
- Graded and provided comments for the students' scenarios.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Boston University Office of the Provost**

Boston, MA

Data Science & Analytics Intern

June – August 2021

- Analyzed the data on a new educational program implemented in 2017 to evaluate the performance of the program.

- **Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate**

Boston, MA

Education & Visitor Experience Intern

May – September 2018

- Conducted research on Senate Border Security & Immigration Subcommittee by using epistemic communities approach.
- Conducted research on Youth Movements in the US for a new exhibit which will be launched in the coming year.
- Conducted research on Edward M. Kennedy's life by using the primary sources for a new exhibit.
- Composed brief biographies of notable historical and political individuals.
- Educated visitors from different age groups and nationalities by giving guided tours on the US history and Senate.

- **APCO Worldwide**

Istanbul, TR

Government Consulting Intern

June – September 2016

- Wrote reports about Gulf and Middle Eastern countries by using media and academic databases for presentations in Turkey.
- Planned Mentorship 360 project's marketing campaign and used social media marketing programs to increase project visibility.
- Created list of potential sponsors and speakers in this project by conducting research and used Microsoft Office Excel to track invitations.
- Conducted market research, media research, and media reporting by using different media management tools for our clients.

• **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

Ankara, TR

Summer Research Intern

August – September 2015

- Authored 2 articles with other interns by researching the trade volume between European countries and Russia for the government use.

SCHOOL SERVICE

Boston University , Boston, MA <i>Academic Policy Committee</i>	September 2020-May 2021
Boston University , Boston, MA <i>Comparative Politics Speaker Series Student Coordinator</i>	July 2020-present
Boston University , Boston, MA <i>Graduate Student Organization Representative</i>	September 2019-present
Boston University , Boston, MA <i>Student-Led Speaker Series Co-Coordinator</i>	August 2019-present
Boston University , Boston, MA <i>Graduate Academic Affairs Committee</i>	September 2019-June 2020
Koç University , Istanbul, Turkey <i>Freshmen Student Mentor</i>	September 2016-May 2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate , Boston, MA <i>Kid Convention Volunteer</i>	October 2018
French Cultural Center , Boston, MA <i>Check-In & Breakdown Volunteer</i>	July 2018
Oy ve Otesi , Istanbul, Turkey <i>Election Observer</i>	November 2015

SKILLS

Languages: French (Intermediate), Turkish (Native), English (Advanced)
Computer: R, Python, Stata, SPSS, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office, Visone, UCINet

ADDITIONAL METHODS TRAINING

Research Computing Workshop: Python Track, Boston University	January 2021
Research Computing Workshop: Matlab Track, Boston University	January 2021
ISSR Text-as-Data Workshop, University of Massachusetts Amherst	July 2020

TEACHING WORKSHOPS

Facilitating Difficult Conversations in the Classroom, Boston University	November 2019
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HONORS & AWARDS

Boston University, Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award	May 2021
Boston University, GRS Summer Fellowship	May – September 2020
Boston University, Dean's Fellowship	September 2019 – May 2020
Northeastern University, Global Impact Scholarship	September 2017 – May 2019
European Union, Erasmus Scholarship	January – May 2015
Turkish Science Foundation, Social Sciences Scholarship	September 2014 – August 2017
Vehbi Koç Scholar Award	May 2013, 2016, 2017
Koç University, Full-merit Scholarship	September 2012 – August 2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN)	Since 2021
International Political Science Association (IPSA)	Since 2019
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	Since 2019
International Association of Political Science Students (IAPSS)	Since 2018
Students Association of International Affairs (SAIA)	2016-2021