




# Curriculum Vitae

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| EDUCATION            | <b>Harvard University, MA, US</b><br>Ph.D., Political Economy and Government<br>2020-Present                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                      | <b>Boston University, MA, US</b><br>M.A., Political Science (started as a PhD student, transferred to Harvard)<br>May, 2020                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                      | <b>Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey</b><br>M.A., Political Science and International Relations (Distinction)<br>Sept, 2018<br>B.A., Economics (Dean's High Honors)<br>Jan, 2017<br>B.A., Political Science (Dean's High Honors)<br>Jan, 2017                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                      | <b>Robert College, Istanbul, Turkey</b><br>American High School<br>June, 2012                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| WORKING PAPERS       | <a href="#">Social Media Narratives across Platforms in Conflict: Evidence from Syria</a> (with Erin Walk, Elizabeth Parker-Magyar, Kiran Garimella, Fotini Christia)                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| WORK IN PROGRESS     | "How Does Exposure to Discordant Media Sources Affect Political Attitudes and Behavior? Experimental Evidence from Turkey" (with Jeremy Bowles, Horacio Larreguy, Shelley Lui)<br>"Bargaining Peace? Mitigating Effects of Welfare Spending on Corruption"                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| PRESENTATIONS        | <b>Social Media Narratives on Conflict from northern Syria</b><br><i>Paper Presentation at Households in Conflict Network</i><br>2020<br><i>Paper Presentation at APSA</i><br>2021                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS | The Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality, and Social Policy<br>2022<br>Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS) Research Grant<br>2022<br>GSAS Division of Social Sciences Fund<br>2022<br>Dean's Fellowship, Boston University<br>2018-2020<br>Dean's High Honor List, Bogazici University<br>2017 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

ACADEMIC  
EXPERIENCE

**Harvard University, MA, US**

*as Teaching Assistant*

Spatial Models of Social Science (by Jill Kelly)  
International and Global Affairs (by Matthew Bunn)

Fall 2022

Fall 2022

**Boston University, MA, US**

*as Teaching Assistant*

Quantitative Research Methods (by Taylor Boas)

Fall 2019

*as Grading Assistant*

Democratic Erosion (by Steven Rosenzweig)  
Political Violence (by Steven Rosenzweig)

Spring 2020

Fall 2019

*as Summer Research Fellow*

Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future

Summer 2019

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

"The effects of the Local Media on daily lives of people in Ghana"

2013

*Spent one month in Ghana for field research on the mass media tools and their effects on local tribes in Western Africa. Funded by the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency.*

SKILLS

*Software: L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, R, STATA , Python, SQL (workable)*

REFERENCES

Available upon request.