

# Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION	<b>Harvard University, MA, US</b> Ph.D., Political Economy and Government	2020-Present
	<b>Boston University, MA, US</b> M.A., Political Science (started as a PhD student, transferred to Harvard)	2020
	<b>Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey</b> B.A., Economics B.A., Political Science	2017
	<b>Robert College, Istanbul, Turkey</b> American High School	2012
FORTHCOMING	<a href="#">Social Media Narratives across Platforms in Conflict: Evidence from Syria</a> (with Erin Walk, Elizabeth Parker-Magyar, Kiran Garimella, Fotini Christia). <i>Journal of Politics</i> . Accepted manuscript.	
PREPRINTS	<a href="#">Aiding Harmony: How International Aid Shapes Local Policy Preferences and Behavior toward Refugees</a> (with Melani Cammett)	2024
	<a href="#">How Populist Incumbents Use Strategic Communication to Survive Economic Crises: The Surprising Effectiveness of Incumbent Economic Appeals</a> (with Andrew O'Donohue)	2024
	<a href="#">Language-Agnostic Bias Detection in Language Models with Bias Probing</a> (with Abdullatif Köksal, Omer Faruk Yalcin, M. Tahir Kilavuz, Anna Korhonen, Hinrich Schütze). EMNLP. Preprint.	2023
WORKING PAPERS	How Does Exposure to Discordant Media Sources Affect Political Attitudes and Behavior? Experimental Evidence from Turkey (with Jeremy Bowles, Horacio Larreguy, Shelley Lui)	
WORK IN PROGRESS	Debunking Misinformation to Foster Inclusion of Refugees: A Comprehensive Approach towards Integration and Empowerment	
SELECTED PRESENTATIONS	Debunking Misinformation to Foster Inclusion of Refugees: A Comprehensive Approach towards Integration and Empowerment	APSA 2024
	<a href="#">Aiding Harmony: How International Aid Shapes Local Policy Preferences and Behavior toward Refugees</a>	APSA 2023
	How Does Exposure to Discordant Media Sources Affect Political Attitudes and Behavior?	APSA 2022
	Social Media Narratives across Platforms in Conflict: Evidence from Syria	APSA 2021

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	<p><b>Harvard University, MA, US</b>  <i>as Teaching Assistant</i>  Evaluating the Impacts of Public Policies: How to Design and Implement Randomized Controlled Trials (by Michael Hiscox) Spring 2024  Data (by Matt Blackwell) Fall 2023  Survey Research Methods (by Chase Harrison) Fall 2023  Spatial Models of Social Science (by Jill Kelly) Fall 2022  International and Global Affairs (by Matthew Bunn) Fall 2022</p> <p><i>as Research Assistant</i>  Post-war intergroup relations (by Melani Cammett) Fall 2024</p> <p><i>as Academic Workshop Coordinator</i>  Comparative Politics Speakers Series Coordinator 2022</p> <p><b>Boston University, MA, US</b>  <i>as Teaching Assistant</i>  Quantitative Research Methods (by Taylor Boas) Fall 2019</p> <p><i>as Summer Research Fellow</i>  Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future Summer 2019</p>
WORK EXPERIENCE	<p><b>Survey Consultant</b>  <i>For Internews, UK</i> 2021-2023  Designed and conducted surveys and focus groups for media outlet audiences to enhance content strategies and audience engagement.</p> <p><i>For Galata Survey, Turkey</i> 2023-Present  Consulted to enhance their survey methodologies, including the application of new survey techniques, experimental design, and randomization.</p> <p><b>Research Coordinator</b>  <i>For 23 Talent Association, Turkey</i> 2023-Present  Designed and conducted surveys to improve strategies to understand and explain Youth.</p>
GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS	<p>The Harvard Merit/Term-time Research Fellowship, \$20,415 2025  JPAL Governance Initiative, \$49,170 2024  The Weatherhead Center Dissertation Writing Grant, \$20,415 2024  The Weatherhead Research Cluster on Migration Doctoral Fellows Program, \$7,000 2023  JPAL Governance Initiative w/ Horacio Larreguy, Jeremy Bowles, Shelley Lui, \$58,765 2023  The Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality, and Social Policy, \$5,000 2022  Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS) Research Grant, \$2,500, \$2,500 2022, 2023  GSAS Division of Social Sciences Fund, \$2,000 2022  Dean’s Fellowship, Boston University 2018-2020  Dean’s High Honor List, Bogazici University 2017</p>
SKILLS	<p><i>Software:</i> L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, R, Python, SQL</p>
REFERENCES	<p>Available upon request.</p>

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