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Employment

- **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO, USA.
 - August 2019 – Present.
- **Research Fellow**, Carlos III – Juan March Institute of Social Sciences, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Madrid, Spain.
 - September 2017 – July 2019.
- **Assistant Professor**, Department of International Relations, Ozyegin University, Istanbul, Turkey.
 - September 2014 – August 2017.

Education

- **Ph.D. in Political Science and Economics**, Claremont Graduate University, 2014.
 - *Dissertation*: “Beyond the Phoenix Factor: Consequences of Major Wars and Determinants of Postwar Recovery.”
- **M.A. in International Political Economy**, Claremont Graduate University, 2012.
- **B.A. in Economics**, Koç University, 2009.

Research and Teaching Interests

- World Politics, International and Comparative Political Economy, Political Economy of Development, Peace and Conflict Studies, Consequences of Conflict, Political Demography, Econometrics, Game Theory, and System Dynamics Modeling.

Refereed Publications

- “Shock the System: Emergency Powers and Political Capacity.” (With Bryan A. Rooney). *Governance*, 1-18, 2020: <https://doi.org/10.1111/gove.12517>.
- “Conflict and Cooperation in the Northern Middle East.” In: Jacek Kugler and Ronald L. Tammen (eds.), *The Rise of Regions: Conflict and Cooperation*. New York: Rowman & Littlefield. 2020.
- “A Dynamic Model of the Spread of Intrastate Wars.” *All Azimuth: A Journal of Foreign Policy and Peace*, 9(1): 23-59, 2020.
- “Refugees and Elections: The Effects of Syrian Refugees on Voting Behavior in Turkey.” (With Deniz Sert). *International Migration*, 57(2): 298-312, 2019.
- “System Dynamics Modeling in International Relations.” *All Azimuth: A Journal of Foreign Policy and Peace*, 8(2): 231-253, 2019.
- “Consequences of Reversing the European Union Integration” (With Jacek Kugler and Birol Yesilada). *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 11(1): 45-67, 2015.

Working Papers

- “Relative Political Capacity: A Dataset to Evaluate the Performance of Nations, 1960-2018.” (With Kyungkook Kang and Tadeusz Kugler). Under Review.
- “Emergency Powers, Natural Disasters, and State Capacity.” (With Bryan Rooney). In Preparation for Submission.
- “Rebuilding States: Influences of Foreign Aid on War Recovery.” (With Tadeusz Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). In Preparation for Submission.
- “Assessing the Power of Nations.” (With Jacek Kugler). In Preparation for Submission.
- “State Capacity and Allocation of Public Spending: A Cross-National Analysis.” (With Isik Ozel and Kerem Yildirim). In Preparation for Submission.
- “Understanding and Forecasting Order and Change in the Northern Middle East.” (With Resat Bayer). In Preparation for Submission.
- “Beyond the Phoenix Factor: Postwar Recovery and Reconstruction of Nations.” In Preparation for Submission.
- “Political Capacity and National Leadership.” In Progress.
- “Causalities as Policy: Comparing Recovery After War vs Genocide.” (With Tadeusz Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). In Progress.
- “Using Ego Utility to Predict International Belligerence.” (With Galib Rustamov). In Progress.
- “Targets of Terror.” (With Santiago Stocker). In Progress.
- “Tinderbox or Tripwire? Demographic Theories of Conflict Onset and Escalation.” In Progress.

Non-Refereed Publications

- “The Costs of Syrian Civil War and Propositions for Syria’s Post-War Recovery.” *Global Relations Forum Policy Paper Series*, No: 11, 2019
- “ISIS Foreign Fighters: An Econometric Analysis on the Global Flow of Militants Joining Islamic State.” (with Ryan Greer). *Global Impact Strategies (giStrat) Report*, 2016.
- “School Choice: A Mechanism Design Approach.” by Atila Abdulkadiroglu and Tayfun Sonmez. Translated for the *Journal of Economics and Political Economy*, 1(2): 302-326, 2014.

Conference Presentations

- “Assessing the Power of Nations.” (With Kyungkook Kang and Jacek Kugler). Accepted to the Annual Convention of the ISA, Honolulu, HI, USA, March 2020 (Cancelled).
- “Emergency Powers and State Capacity.” (With Bryan Rooney).
 - Presented at the ISA Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, USA, November 2019.
 - Presented at the International Conference of Europeanists, Madrid, Spain, June 2019.
- “Preference Divergence and the Emergence of Civil Strife.” (With Jacek Kugler, Birol Yesilada, and Osman Tanrikulu). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Toronto, Canada, March 2019.
- “Absolute Political Capacity Dataset, 1960-2015.” (With Kyungkook Kang, Tadeusz Kugler, and Jacek Kugler). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Toronto, Canada, March 2019.
- “Political Capacity and National Leadership.” Presented at the VIII Conference of *Doctores Miembro* and Current and Former Post-Doctoral Research Fellows of Juan March Institute/IJ3JM, Madrid, Spain, June 2018.

- “Causalities as Policy: Comparing Recovery After War vs Genocide.” (With Tadeusz Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, San Francisco, CA, USA, April 2018.
- “Relative Political Capacity: A Dataset to Evaluate the Performance of Nations, 1960-2015.” (With Tadeusz Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, San Francisco, CA, USA, April 2018.
- “Rebuilding States: Effects of Foreign Aid and Political Performance on War Recovery” (With Tadeusz Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Baltimore, MD, USA, February 2017.
- “The Systemic Study of Recovery after War” Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Atlanta, GA, USA, March 2016.
- “Understanding and Forecasting Order and Change in the Northern Middle East” (With Resat Bayer).
 - Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Atlanta, GA, USA, March 2016.
 - Presented at the Eurasian Peace Science Workshop, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2015.
- “Performance of Leaders and Performance of Nations.” Presented at the Empirical Studies of Political Analysis Workshop, Antalya, Turkey, January 2016.
- “The Consequences of War and the Path to Recovery” (With Jacek Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Toronto, Canada, March 2014.
- “Visualizing the Global Implications of Political Performance” (With Tadeusz Kugler). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, Toronto, Canada, March 2014.
- “Consequences of War and Recovery of Fragile States” (With Jacek Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the the Annual Conference of Conflict Research Society, Essex, Colchester, UK, September 2013.
- “The Phoenix Factor Revisited: Demographic and Economic Recovery After Major Wars and Reconstruction of Nations” (With Jacek Kugler and Kyungkook Kang). Presented at the Eurasian Peace Science Conference in Istanbul, Turkey, May 2013.
- “Trade and Diplomacy: A Network Approach on Redifining Regions” (With Zining Yang). Presented at the Annual Conference of the Midwest Studies Association, Chicago, IL, USA, April 2013.
- “The Cyprus Conundrum: A Constant Thorn on the Side of the European Union” (With Birol Yesilada and Jacek Kugler). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, San Francisco, Ca, USA, April 2013.
- “Unexpected Population within India: Outcome of Conflict and Economic Growth” (with Tadeusz Kugler). Presented at the Annual Convention of the ISA, San Diego, Ca, USA, April 2012.
- “Why the European Union Cannot Afford a Failed EURO” (With Jacek Kugler and Birol Yesilada). Presented at the Conference on Redefining European Economic Governance in Brugge, Belgium, March 2012.
- “Regional Power Distributions and Projections” (with Resat Bayer). Presented at the Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association, Dublin, Ireland, June 2011.
 - Presented at the Middle East Technical University Conference of International Relations, Guzelyurt, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, May 2010.

Achievements, Honors and Grants

- **U.S. Department of State**, Research Grant, 2019-2020.
- **Universidad Carlos III de Madrid**, Teaching Excellence Award, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.
- **The Fulbright Program**, Ph.D. Grant, 2009 – 2014.

- **Claremont Graduate University**, Graduate Student Fellowship, 2009 – 2014.
- **Claremont Graduate University**, Research Assistant Funding, 2010 – 2014.
- **Claremont Graduate University Graduate Student Council**, Travel Award, 2013, 2014.
- **TransResearch Consortium**, Research Grant, 2013, 2014.
- **Vehbi Koç Foundation**, Doctoral Study Support Scholarship, 2011-2012.
- **Koç University**, Vehbi Koç Scholar (award given to students with SPA over 3.50/4.00), 2005 – 2009.
- **Koç University**, Merit (Full) Scholarship, 2005 – 2009.
- **Flemish Mathematic Olympics**, Finalist, 2005.
- **Undergraduate Placement Examination (OSS)**, 524th among 1.5 million participants, 2004.

Data Collection

- **Principal Investigator**, Relative Political Capacity Dataset.
 - <http://transresearchconsortium.com/data>
 - <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/NRR7MB>

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Saint Louis University

- POLS 1600: Introduction to International Politics
- POLS 2000: Methods in Political Science
- POLS 2510: European Politics
- POLS 2600: Introduction to International Political Economy
- POLS 3620: International Organization and the Management of World Problems
- POLS 4930/5930: Politics of International Trade and Finance

Instructor, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

- Multidisciplinary Research Seminar in International Studies
- Research Design in Social Sciences
- Trabajo de Fin de Grado (Bachelor's Thesis)

Instructor, Ozyegin University

- IR 202: Advanced Research Methods for International Relations
- IR 204: International Organizations
- IR 305: International Relations Theory
- IR 401: International Political Economy
- IR 432: Politics and Strategy: Introduction to Game Theory and Formal Models
- ECON 201: Microeconomics
- ECON 210: Introduction to Economics
- MATH 202: Statistics for Social Sciences

Teaching Assistant, Claremont Graduate University

- PP 430: Perspectives on War and Peace (Jacek Kugler)
- PP 487: Applied Data Analysis and Econometrics (Mark Abdollahian)
- SPE 315: Game Theory (Eunyong Ha)
- TNDY 401: Nature of Scientific Inquiry (Jacek Kugler)

Teaching Assistant, Koc University

- ECON 333: Game Theory and Strategy (Levent Kockesen)

Professional Service and Affiliations

- **Member**, American Political Science Association, 2013 – Present.
- **Member**, Peace Science Society (International), 2011 – Present.
- **Member**, International Studies Association, 2009 – Present.
- **Member**, Midwest Political Science Association, 2011 – 2014.
- **Program Chair**, ISA Political Demography and Geography Section, 2020 – Present.
- **Referee**, ISA Political Demography and Geography Section's Best Student Paper Award (with Alex Braithwaite and Andrea den Boer), 2013 – Present.
- **Director**, ISA Political Demography and Geography Section's Graduate Student Awards Committee, 2014 – 2018.
- **Research Associate**, TransResearch Consortium, 2010 – Present.
- **Editorial Board Member**, Journal of Social and Administrative Sciences, Journal of Economics and Political Economy, Turkish Economic Review.
- **Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member**, Yasar Saskinoglu (Koc University), Ahmed Almulla (Claremont Graduate University), Sabine Freij (Claremont Graduate University), Allison Hamlin (Claremont Graduate University).
- **Manuscript Reviewer**, International Studies Quarterly, Perspectives on Politics, Foreign Policy Analysis, European Union Politics, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Journal of Economics and Political Economy, Journal of International Relations – Uluslararası İlişkiler.

Saint Louis University

- **Advisory Board Member**, International Studies Program.
- **Faculty Collaborator**, Diversity and Global Citizenship Learning Community.
- **Reviewer**, Beaumont Faculty Development Fund.

Ozyegin University

- **Academic Advisor**, Ozyegin University Intercultural Learning Club.
- **Academic Advisor**, Ozyegin University International Relations Reading Club.
- **Organizer**, Workshop on Politics & Society Series, Department of International Relations, 2016 – 2017.
- **Designer and Co-Director**, Mandatory Internship Program, Department of International Relations, 2016 – 2017.
- **Director**, Strategic Planning Committee, Department of International Relations, 2015 – 2017.
- **Member**, Department of International Relations Search Committee, 2015 – 2017.
- **Member**, Ozyegin University Planning and Data Analysis Committee, 2016 – 2017.

Organized Conferences

- **Eurasian Peace Science Association's Annual Conference**, Co-Organized with Konstantinos Travlos, March 2017, January 2018.

- **International Political Economy Society's Annual Conference**, Coordinator, October 2013.

Relevant Skills

- **Language:** Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), Dutch (Intermediate).
- **Statistical/Computing:** Stata, R, LaTeX, UCINET, Vensim, ODE Toolkit, Sigmaplot, Python (beginner)

References

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