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## EDUCATION

### **Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München**

*Ph.D. in Geschichte und Kultur des Nahen und Mittleren Ostens*

Munich, Germany

2022-Present

### **Boğaziçi University**

*Master of Arts in History*

Istanbul, Turkey

2019 – 2022

Thesis: A Study of *Azadamard*: Socialism and the Armenian Revolutionary Federation's Understanding of *Socialist Ottomanism*

Thesis advisor: Associate Professor Yaşan Tolga Cora

### **Boğaziçi University**

*Bachelor of Arts in History*

Istanbul, Turkey

2014 - 2019

Graduated with Honours

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Hrant Dink Foundation**

Istanbul, Turkey

**Co-Editor for the Publications presented in the Conference “The Social, Cultural and Economic History of Van and the Region”,**

09/2019- 02/2023

- Edited the articles presented in the conference.
- Made plans and applied them efficiently.
- Distributed and coordinated the duties.

### **Boğaziçi University, Department of History**

Istanbul, Turkey

#### **Teaching Assistant**

01/2020- 02/2021

- Teaching and leading the discussion sessions of the mass courses “*Making of the Modern World I & II*”
- Marking the examination papers of the relevant courses, with more than 300 students per semester.

### **Diken**

Istanbul, Turkey

#### **Journalist Intern**

09/2017 – 12/2017

- Wrote news articles for publishing.
- Translated international news and articles.

### **Mt. Olympuss Resort: Water and Theme Parks**

Wisconsin, USA

#### **Front Desk Receptionist**

06/2017 – 09/2017

- Managed customer relations and resolved customer complaints.
- Coordinated the housekeeping and laundry staff and monitored their performance.

## PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

### **National Association for Armenian Studies (NAASR)**

2024-Present

### **Munich Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies (GS OSES)**

2023-Present

### **Art Historians' Association (SATAD)**

2017-Present

Vice President of Foreign Relations between 2017-2019

## VOLUNTARY EXPERIENCE

### **Boğaziçi University, Albert Long Hall Classical Music Concerts**

Istanbul, Turkey

#### **Volunteer in the Organization Committee**

09/2016- 05/2019

- Provided support with the organization of the concerts, which took place every Wednesday between October and May.
- Facilitated the outreach of the Concerts by preparing relevant communication material.

**Hrant Dink Foundation****Volunteer for library cataloging**

Istanbul, Turkey  
02/2019- 06/2019

- Sorting and digitizing manuscripts and photographs.
- Categorizing and cataloging books for the library.
- Worked for the world that is free from discrimination, racism and violence.
- Worked to reduce social, educational or economic disparities based on race, ethnicity or gender.

**Boğaziçi University Assistive Technology and Education Laboratory for Individuals with Visual Disabilities (GETEM)**

Istanbul, Turkey  
03/2016- 04/2019

**Volunteer**

- Assisted to people who are blind for their daily and academic lives in the school.
- Provided electronic media and converted the written documents to sound files via software.

**The Turkish Foundation for Combating Soil Erosion for Reforestation and the Protection of Natural Habitats (TEMA)**

Istanbul, Turkey  
10/2016- 12/2019

**Volunteer**

- Organized a conference on the environmental effects of gold mining in the Artvin region.
- Prepared an Excel database of local schools in Artvin for potential partnerships.
- Engaged with local stakeholders to manage partnerships.

**PUBLICATIONS (Selected)**

“Ermeni Devrimci Federasyonu’nun Kürtlere ve Toprağa Bakışı: Sosyalist Bir Osmanlılık Hayali”, *Toplumsal Tarih* 344 (August 2022), pp. 74-80.

**PRESENTATIONS**

“Understanding the Historical and Modern Contexts of Violence Against Animals and the Environment in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey,” *Beyond the Bark* organized by the Aktivist Innenvereinigung gegen Rassismus, Nationalismus und Diskriminierung (AKEBİ e.V.).

Berlin, Germany  
08/2024

“Armenians of *Kawar* and the Armenian Revolutionary Federation in the Ottoman Empire,” at International Conference of the International Network of Genocide Scholars: ‘Genocide and Survivor Communities: Agency, Resistance, Recognition,’ the conference will be held at the University of Southern California (USC).

Los Angeles, USA  
06/2024

“Provincial Armenians in the Ottoman Empire and the Role of the Armenian Revolutionary Federation’s Socialism,” at the Historical Materialism and Institute for The Radical Imagination Conference, organized at the Long Island University.

New York, USA  
05/2024

“Armenians of *Kawar* and Armenian Revolutionary Federation in the Ottoman Empire,” at the BILGI-BONN History Graduate Conference.

Istanbul, Turkey  
05/2024

“Armenians of the Provinces and the Armenian Revolutionary Federation in the Ottoman Empire,” presented at the University of Oxford, organized by Europaeum.

Oxford, United Kingdom  
04/2024

“Armenians of *Kawar* and Armenian Revolutionary Federation in the Ottoman Empire,” presented at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)- 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Graduate Student Colloquium in Armenian Studies UCLA.

Los Angeles, USA  
02/2024

“History of Artvin and Kars in the 19<sup>th</sup> century: Ottoman-Armenian Relations in the Border Region of Artvin and Şavşat”, presented in Orient-Institut Istanbul

Istanbul, Turkey  
10/2023

“Urban Monuments of Ankara within a Memory Framework,” presented in Barış Manço Cultural Center as a part of a series of cultural history discussions organized by the Art History Research Association, Art Historians’ Association (SATAD) and Kadıköy Municipality

Istanbul, Turkey  
10/2018

“Arabesk’in dönüşümü: Batsın bu dünya, Bırakalım dinlesinler, Yeni düzen,”  
[Transformation of Arabesque: ‘Damn’ this World, let them Listen, New Order]  
presented in Salt Galata, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Archaeology and Art History Symposium.

Istanbul, Turkey  
03/2018

### **CLASSES TAUGHT**

The Making of the Modern World II (HIST106 at Boğaziçi University). (as TA)

Istanbul, Turkey  
02/2020- 07/2020

The Making of the Modern World I (HIST105 at Boğaziçi University). (as TA)

Istanbul, Turkey  
10/2020- 02/2021

### **AWARDS, CERTIFICATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation Armenian Studies Ph.D. Scholarship

09/2024-09/2025

National Association for Armenian Studies and Research Travel Grant

02/2024-02/2024

The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation Short Term Grant for Armenian Studies

01/2024-01/2024

Orient-Institut Istanbul Doctoral Scholarship

08/2023-10/2023

TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) - 2210-  
Domestic Graduate Scholarship Program 2019/2

10/2019 – 10/2021

Work and Travel Participation Certificate

09/2017

Educator Training in *the Language of Trees - Ağaçların Diliyle İstanbul*  
ÇEKÜL (the Foundation for the Protection and Promotion of the  
Environment and Cultural Heritage)

2014

### **SCHOOL SOCIETIES AND OTHER EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Boğaziçi University History Studies Club (*BÜTİK*)

2017-2019

**Vice President of *BUTİK* and Co-Chair of the Art History Commission**

Boğaziçi University Environment Club (*BÜÇEV*)

2017- 2019

**Member of the Executive Committee**

### **SKILLS**

**Technical:** Microsoft Office Applications.

**Languages:** Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), German (Intermediate), Western Armenian (Intermediate), French (Pre-Intermediate), Ottoman Turkish [printed and manuscripts]

### **INTERESTS**

Trekking, Photography, Poetry, Travelling, Travel Literature