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<b>Johns Hopkins University</b> Ph.D., Sociology	Baltimore, MD May 2015
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<b>Yale University</b> The Fox International Fellowship Program MacMillan Center	New Haven, CT 2006-2007
<b>Boğaziçi University</b> MA., Modern Turkish History	Istanbul, Turkey June 2004
<b>Dokuz Eylül University</b> BA., International Relations	Izmir, Turkey June 2002

**EMPLOYMENT**

<b>Assistant Professor</b> Koç University Department of Sociology	İstanbul, Turkey February 2015 – Present
<b>Co-director</b> Koç University Center for Asian Studies	İstanbul, Turkey November 2019 – Present
<b>Visiting Scholar</b> Erasmus University International Institute of Social Studies	The Hague, Netherlands July-September 2019
<b>Visiting Scholar</b> Harvard University Center for Middle Eastern Studies	Cambridge, MA July-September 2016

**Visiting Researcher**

Huazhong University of Science and Technology  
Center for Rural China Governance

Wuhan, China  
June-December 2012

**Instructor**

Johns Hopkins University  
East Asian Studies Program

Baltimore, MD  
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**Teaching Assistant**

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Department of Sociology

Baltimore, MD  
2007-2014

**Instructor**

Bogazici University  
Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History

İstanbul, Turkey  
Spring 2006

**Research Assistant**

Bogazici University  
Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History

İstanbul, Turkey  
2004-05

**PUBLICATIONS****Peer-Reviewed Articles (in SSCI Journals)**

1. Burak Gürel, "Semi-private landownership and capitalist agriculture in contemporary China," *Review of Radical Political Economics*, Vol. 51, No. 4, 2019, pp. 650-669, DOI: 10.1177/0486613419849683
2. Burak Gürel, "The role of collective mobilization in the divergent performance of the rural economies of China and India (1950-2005)," *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol. 46, No. 5, 2019, pp. 1021-1046, DOI: 10.1080/03066150.2018.1434773
3. Burak Gürel, Bermal Küçük, and Sercan Taş, "The rural roots of the rise of the Justice and Development Party in Turkey," *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol. 46, No. 3, 2019, pp. 457-479, DOI: 10.1080/03066150.2018.1552264
4. Burak Gürel, "Agrarian change and labour supply in Turkey, 1950-1980," *Journal of Agrarian Change*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 2011, pp. 195-219, DOI: 10.1111/j.1471-0366.2010.00299.x

**Peer-Reviewed Articles (in non-SSCI Journals)**

1. Weigang Gong and Burak Gürel, "Project-based state intervention and agrarian change in contemporary China: The case of rice production in Pingwan county, Hunan," *Rural China*, Vol. 16, No. 2, 2019, pp. 312-333, DOI: 10.1163/22136746-01602006
2. Burak Gürel and Mina Kozluca, "The unrest and relative empowerment of the working class in contemporary China," *METU Studies in Development*, 2019 (Forthcoming).

3. Burak Gürel, “Classes and status groups in times of great transformation: Reading agrarian change in Çukurova through the lens of Yaşar Kemal,” *Hacettepe University Journal of Faculty of Letters*, Vol. 36, No. 2, 2019, pp. 209-220, DOI: 10.32600/huefd.433296
4. Burak Gürel and Eylem Taylan, “Critique of the critics of Giovanni Arrighi’s *Adam Smith in Beijing*,” *Alternative Politics*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 2019, pp. 430-447.
5. Burak Gürel, “Dispossession and development in the neoliberal era,” *Ankara University SBF Journal*, Vol. 74, No. 3, 2019, pp. 983-1001, DOI: 10.33630/ausbf.569746
6. Merve Bilge Aktaş, Ilgım Veryeri Alaca, and Burak Gürel, “Connecting rural change and local crafts: Rebranding sock knitting in Yenikaraağaç,” *METU Journal of the Faculty of Architecture*, Vol. 36, No. 2, 2019, pp. 121-140, DOI: 10.4305/METU.JFA.2019.2.2
7. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, “The state, capital, and the historical sociology of capitalism,” *Mülkiye Dergisi*, Vol. 42, No. 2, 2018, pp. 209-237 (Published in Turkish).
8. Burak Gürel, “Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to capitalism,” *McGill Sociological Review*, Vol. 4, 2014, pp. 67-92.
9. Weigang Gong, Chengrong Duan, and Burak Gürel, “Regional variation of lineage culture and fertility transition in rural China,” *Rural China*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2013, pp. 258-310, DOI: 10.1163/22136746-12341244
10. Burak Gürel, “‘Communist police!’ The state in the 1970s Turkey,” *Journal of Historical Studies*, Vol. 2, 2004, pp. 1-18.
11. Burak Gürel, “Islamist and Fascist Politics in Turkey in the 1970s: Promises and Results.” *Praksis*, No. 12, 2004, pp. 85-102 (Published in Turkish).

### **Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings**

1. Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Deniz Yüret, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Fırat Duruşan, Osman Mutlu, “A task set proposal for automatic protest information collection across multiple countries.” In *Advances in information retrieval*, eds. L. Azzopardi, B. Stein, N. Fuhr, P. Mayr, C. Hauff, D. Hiemstra, Cham: Springer, 2019, pp. 316–323, DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-15719-7\_42
2. Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Deniz Yüret, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Fırat Duruşan, Osman Mutlu, and Arda Akdemir, “Overview of CLEF 2019 Lab ProtestNews: Extracting Protests from News in a Cross-Context Setting.” In *Experimental IR meets multilinguality, multimodality, and interaction. CLEF 2019. Lecture notes in computer science*, eds. F. Crestani et al., Cham: Springer, 2019, pp. 425-432, DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-28577-7\_32
3. Arda Akdemir, Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Burak Gürel, Çağrı Yoltar, Deniz Yüret, “Towards generalizable place name recognition systems: Analysis and enhancement of NER systems on English news from India.” In *Proceedings of the 12th workshop on geographic information retrieval*, New York: ACM, 2018, pp. 8:1–8:10, DOI: 10.1145/3281354.3281363

### **Book Chapters**

1. Burak Gürel, “The historical background and near future of the rise of China.” In *The China puzzle: Economic rise of China, transformation in international relations, and Turkey*, eds. Caner Bakır and Mustafa Yağcı. İstanbul: Koç University Press, 2019, pp. 21-51 (Published in Turkish).

2. Burak Gürel, "A critical review of Theda Skocpol's theory of revolution." In *Historical sociology and international relations*, ed. Faruk Yalvaç. Ankara: Nika Yayınevi, 2018, pp. 95-116 (Published in Turkish).
3. Burak Gürel, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer): The transformation of the Communist Party of Turkey from the October Revolution to Stalinism." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 171-184 (Published in Turkish).
4. Burak Gürel, "İsmail Bilen: The Communist Party of Turkey from belated rise to precipitated collapse." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 235- 252 (Published in Turkish).
5. Burak Gürel, "Islamism: A comparative-historical overview." In *The neoliberal landscape and the rise of Islamist capital in Turkey*, eds. Neşecan Balkan, Erol Balkan, and Ahmet Öncü. New York: Berghahn Books, 2015, pp. 13-40.
6. Burak Gürel, "Historical development of class struggles in rural Turkey." In *Marxism and classes: Classes and their struggles in Turkey and the world*, eds. Ahmet Tonak, Sungur Savran, and Kurtar Tanyılmaz. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2014, pp. 303-385 (Published in Turkish).
7. Burak Gürel, "Islamism." In *Political science: Concepts, ideologies, and interdisciplinary relations*, eds. Gökhan Atılgan and E. Attila AYTEKİN. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2012, pp. 407-428 (Published in Turkish).
8. Burak Gürel and Can Nacar, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 118-133 (Published in Turkish).
9. Burak Gürel and Fulya Özkan, "İsmail Bilen (Laz İsmail)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 294-309 (Published in Turkish).

### Book Reviews

1. "Mao redux?" (Extended review of Minqi Li, *China and the twenty-first century crisis*, Pluto Press, 2016), <http://www.historicalmaterialism.org/book-review/mao-redux>
2. *Caring for the poor: Islamic and Christian benevolence in a liberal world*, by Cihan Tuğal (Routledge, 2017). *New Perspectives on Turkey*, Vol. 60, No. 1, 2019, pp. 148-152.
3. "Capitalist agriculture without land privatization in China" (Extended review of René Trappel, *China's agrarian transition: Peasants, property, and politics*, Lexington Books, 2016), *Capital & Class*, Vol. 42, No. 3, 2018, pp. 563-567.
4. *How the west came to rule: The geopolitical origins of capitalism*, by Alexander Anievas and Kerem Nisancıoğlu (Pluto Press, 2015). *New Perspectives on Turkey*, Vol. 56, 2017, pp. 166-171.
5. *The third great depression: Twilight of capitalism*, by Sungur Savran (Yordam Kitap, 2013). *Praksis*, No. 38, 2015, pp. 229-232 (Published in Turkish).
6. *Peasants under siege: The collectivization of Romanian agriculture, 1949-1962*, by Gail Kligman and Katherine Verdery (Princeton University Press, 2011). *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol. 41, No. 2, 2014, pp. 291-294.

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

1. Burak Gürel, “The effect of the household registration system on the industrialization and urbanization of China.” In *MiReKoc 15<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Conference*, Istanbul: Koç University, October 24-25, 2019.
2. Burak Gürel, “Collectivist legacy and agrarian development in China (1978-2005).” In “*Modernizing Rural China*” *Workshop and Network Meeting*, Freiburg, Germany, September 27-29, 2019.
3. Erdem Yörük, Burak Gürel, and Fuat Kına, “Containment through welfare provision: Land invasions, land reforms and the implementation of the Bolsa Familia program in Brazil.” In *International Sociological Association RC19 Annual Meeting*, University of Mannheim, August 30, 2019.
4. Murat Koyuncu, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, “Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India.” In *International Sociological Association RC19 Annual Meeting*, University of Mannheim, August 30, 2019.
5. Burak Gürel, Ali Bargu, and Christian Göbel, “Social assistance as political containment in contemporary China.” In *American Sociological Association 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*, New York, August 12, 2019.
6. Murat Koyuncu and Burak Gürel, “Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India.” In *American Sociological Association 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*, New York, August 13, 2019.
7. Murat Koyuncu, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, “Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India.” In *The 16<sup>th</sup> East Asian Social Policy Conference*, Taipei, Taiwan, July 3, 2019.
8. Indrajit Roy, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, “The politics of social assistance in contemporary Asia: Comparative analysis of China, India, and Turkey.” In *The 16<sup>th</sup> East Asian Social Policy Conference*, Taipei, Taiwan, July 3, 2019.
9. Burak Gürel, “Agrarian change in western Anatolia: A long-term historical perspective and agenda for further research,” In *Geosophy 2.0 Workshop*, University of Kiel, June 26, 2019.
10. Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Deniz Yüret, Erdem Yörük, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Fırat Durusan, Osman Mutlu, “Lab on ProtestNews: Extracting Protests from News.” In *Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum (CLEF)*, Lugano, Switzerland, September 9-12, 2019 (Forthcoming).
11. Arda Akdemir, Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Burak Gürel, Çağrı Yoltar, Deniz Yüret, “Towards generalizable place name recognition systems: Analysis and enhancement of NER systems on English news from India.” In *Proceedings of the 12<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Geographic Information Retrieval*, November 6, 2018, Seattle.
12. Murat Koyuncu, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, “Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India.” In the *76<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 6, 2018.
13. Erdem Yörük, Ali Bargu, and Burak Gürel, “Social assistance as a counter-insurgency strategy in contemporary China.” In the *76<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 8, 2018.
14. Burak Gürel, Bermal Küçük, and Sercan Taş, “Rural roots of the rise of the Justice and Development Party in Turkey.” In *Confronting Authoritarian Populism: Resistances and Alternatives in Rural Contexts*, International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, March 18, 2018.

15. Burak Gürel, "Rural land policy debates in China since the 1980s: Contradictions and convergences of the developmentalist, welfarist, and individualist approaches." In *Urbanizing Rural China: Challenges of Rural Governance*, Danish Social Science Research Council, Skagen, February 23-25, 2018.
16. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, "The politics of social assistance in contemporary Asia: Comparative analysis of China, India, and Turkey." In *Whither West Asia*, University of Sussex Asia Center, May 16, 2017.
17. Burak Gürel, "The Syrian civil war and Turkey's transformation into the world's biggest refugee camp." In *Crises and Victims: A Workshop on Refugees, Migrants and Anti-Refugee Discourses in a New Way*, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation Warsaw, Karl Polanyi Center for Global Social Studies, and *Eszmélet* Journal, Budapest, February 27, 2016.
18. Burak Gürel, "The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992)." In *East Asian Studies Spring 2014 Student Symposium: Transforming East Asia*, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, April 11, 2014.
19. Burak Gürel, "Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China." In *Agrarian Development in China: Legacies and Prospects*, The Arrighi Center, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, November 1, 2013.
20. Burak Gürel, "Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to agrarian capitalism." In *21st Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia*, Columbia University, New York, February 10-11, 2012.
21. Burak Gürel, "Peasant struggles over land in Turkey (1960-1980)." In *Historical Social Science-Graduate Student Conference*, Binghamton University, Binghamton, New York, April 28-29, 2007.
22. Burak Gürel, "Land occupation as a form of peasant resistance in Turkey (1968-1980)." In *The Political Economy of the Middle East in the Age of Empire: Historical, Theoretical, and Political Reflections*, York University, Toronto, March 23-24, 2006.

### INVITED TALKS

1. Burak Gürel, "Collectivist legacy and agrarian development in China (1978-2005)," International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, September 5, 2019.
2. Burak Gürel, Speech at "Plenary 1: Authoritarian populism: Rural roots and consequences." In *Confronting Authoritarian Populism: Resistances and Alternatives in Rural Contexts*, International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, March 17, 2018.
3. Burak Gürel, "Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China." In *Rajawali Doctoral Fellows Workshop Series*, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, September 7, 2016.
4. Burak Gürel, "The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1950-1980)." In *Social Science Seminars*, Koç University, İstanbul, February 20, 2014.
5. Burak Gürel, "The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992)." In Center for Development Studies, Trivandrum, Kerala, March 22, 2013.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<b>Koç University</b>	Istanbul, Turkey
<b>Graduate teaching</b>	
<i>SOCI-CSHS 504: Historical Sociology</i>	Fall 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019
<i>CSHS 510: Thesis Seminar</i>	Fall 2018, 2019
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	
<i>SOSC 110: State and Society</i>	Spring 2015, 2016, 2017; Fall 2016
<i>SOCI/INTL 421: Political Sociology</i>	Spring 2016; Fall 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
<i>SOCI 406/HIST 426: Economy, Society and Politics in Asia</i>	Spring 2018
<b>Johns Hopkins University</b>	Baltimore, MD
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	Fall 2013
<i>AS.310.204: Rural Development in Asia</i>	
<b>Boğaziçi University</b>	Istanbul, Turkey
<b>Undergraduate teaching</b>	Spring 2006
<i>HTR 312: History of the Turkish Republic II</i>	

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Koç University Visiting Scholar Program Grant (Summer 2019).
2. Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative Grant (2017).
3. Koç-Harvard Visiting Scholar Program Grant (Summer 2016).
4. Stephen and Lynn Browne Graduate Student Teaching Fellowship, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Fall 2013).
5. Research Grant, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).
6. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).
7. Chinese Government Scholarship (Awarded scholarship as a full-time language student at Wuhan University in 2009-10).
8. Research Grant, Program in Global Social Change, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
9. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
10. Research Grant, Institute for Global Studies, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
11. The Fox International Fellowship Program, MacMillan Center, Yale University (2006-2007).
12. Conference Travel Grant, Bogazici University (March 2006).

## UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

### **Koç University**

Co-director, Center for Asian Studies

Recruitment Committee Member, Department of Business Administration

Graduate Program Coordinator, Department of Sociology

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Recruitment Committee Member, Department of Economics

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Fall 2019

Fall 2015-Spring 2019

Fall 2017-Fall 2019

Spring 2017

## ACADEMIC PEER REVIEW

*Antipode*

*China Quarterly*

*Comparative Studies in Society and History*

*European Review*

*Joint Application Scheme for Early Career Research Fellowships*, Cambridge University

*Journal of Agrarian Change*

*Journal of China and International Relations* (Advisory Board member since November 2019)

*Journal of Peasant Studies*

*Journal of Water and Land Development*

*Koç University Press*

*Moment Dergi*

*New Perspectives on Turkey*

*Praksis*

*Sociologia Ruralis*

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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association

## LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (Fluent)