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Education

University of Chicago, Ph.D., Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, March 2007
Bogazici University, B.A., Business Administration, 1997
Bogazici University, B.A., Economics, 1997

Employment

Fordham University, History Department, Assistant Professor, Fall 2006-Present
Courses Thought: Introduction to Middle East History, History of the Ottoman Empire (1300-1800), Religion and Politics in Islamic History, Understanding Historical Change: Introduction to Middle East History, The Renaissance and the Islamic World (1400-1600), Understanding Historical Change: Islamic History and Culture, Renaissance East & West, History of the Modern Middle East, The Islamic World and the Crusades, Apocalypticism and Messianism in Islamic History, Foundational Topics History
The University of Chicago, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Graduate Lecturer, 2003-2005
Courses Thought: Ottoman Turkish I, II, III; History of the Ottoman Empire (1300-1700); Islamic Political Thought (700-1550)

Grants and Fellowships

Faculty Fellowship, Fordham University, 2024-2025
Faculty Fellowship, Fordham University, 2017-2018
Faculty Fellowship, Fordham University, Fall 2009
Visiting Research Fellow, Institute for Historical Studies, University of Texas-Austin, 2008-2009
Grant to attend the Folger Institute's Faculty Weekend Seminar, "Constantinople/Istanbul: Destination, Way-Station, City of Renegades," September 2007
Dissertation Write-Up Grant, Division of Humanities, Franke Institute for the Humanities, University of Chicago, 2005-2006
Grant to participate in Mellon Summer Institute in Italian Paleography Program, Newberry Library, Summer 2005
Turkish Studies Grant, University of Chicago, Summer 2004
Overseas Dissertation Research Fellowship, Division of Humanities, University of Chicago, 2003
American Research Institute in Turkey Dissertation Grant, 2002-2003
Turkish Studies Grant, University of Chicago, Summer 2002
Doctoral Fellow in Sawyer Seminar on Islam 1300-1600, Franke Institute for Humanities, University of Chicago, 2001-2002

Tuition and Stipend, Division of Humanities, University of Chicago, 1997-2001

Publications

Articles

“Vilification of Sultan Mehmed II (1444–1446/1451–1481): The *Dürr-i meknûn* (“The Hidden Pearl”) and Criticism of the Ottoman plans to conquer the Mamluk Sultanate,” *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 144, no. 3 (2024): 565–584.

“Apocalypticism and Imperial Criticism: (Re)reading of the *Dürr-i meknûn* (‘The Hidden Pearl,’ 1472-1473) in the Context of Ottoman-Akkoyunlu Imperial Confrontation,” *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 86, 3 (2023): 447–464.

“The Marriage of İbrahim Pasha (ca. 1495–1536): The Rise of Sultan Süleyman’s Favorite, İbrahim Pasha, to the Grand Vizierate and the Politics of the Elites in the Early Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Empire,” *Turcica* 41 (2009): 3-36.

Book Chapters

“A Venetian Merchant between the Ottoman and Habsburg Empires: Alvise Gritti’s (1480–1534) Political Tenure in Hungary (1528–1534),” in *Cultures of Exchange: Mercantile Mentalities between Italy and the World (XII–XVI c.)*, ed. Susanna Barsella, William Caferro, and Germano Maifreda (Toronto: University of Toronto Press) (forthcoming).

“Voice of Opposition in the Reign of Sultan Suleyman: The Case of Ibrahim Pasha (1523-1536),” in *Studies on Istanbul and Beyond: The Freely Papers, Volume I*, ed. Robert G. Ousterhout (Philadelphia: The University of Pennsylvania Museum Publications, 2007), 23-37.

Encyclopedia Entries

“İbrahim Pasha,” in *Encyclopedia of Islam, Third Edition*.

“Ayas Pasha,” in *Encyclopedia of Islam, Third Edition*.

"İbrahim Pacha," in *Dictionnaire de l'empire Ottoman-XVe-XXe siècle*, edited by François Georgeon, Nicolas Vatin and Gilles Veinstein (Paris, Fayard, 2015).

“Sultan,” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World*, edited by John Esposito (Oxford University Press, 2009).

Reviews

Review of Eric Dursteler's *Venetians in Constantinople: Nation, Identity, and Coexistence in the Early Modern Mediterranean* (Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press. 2006) for H-Turk.

Book Manuscript

The Race for Universal Monarchy (1516–1526): Apocalypticism and the Ottoman-Habsburg Rivalry in the Sixteenth Century Mediterranean, under contract with the Columbia University Press.

Media Appearances

BBC World Service The Forum: Suleiman the Magnificent, October 23, 2022.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct38t1>

Presentations

- “An Ottoman-Venetian Merchant in the Sultan’s Service: Alvise Gritti (c. 1480-1534) and the competing Ottoman-Habsburg universalisms in the early sixteenth-century Mediterranean,” Conference: Cultures of Exchange: Mercantile Mentalities between Italy and the World, Fordham University, March 26, 2022.
- “Apocalypticism and Imperial Criticism: (Re)reading of Durr-i Mekkun (The Hidden Pearl, c. 1460) in the Context of the anti-Ottoman Crusade,” NES Seminar at Princeton University, March 1, 2021.
- “The Myth of the Last World Emperor and the Making of Ottoman Universal Ideology in the Late Medieval Mediterranean,” The First Joint Conference of Fordham and Ben Gurion Universities—Appropriation in and of the Pre-Modern World,” October 2018.
- “The Rise of the Gazavatname Genre and the Conflicting Images of Murad II (r. 1421-1444/1446-51),” Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, December 2, 2011.
- “The Ottoman Debate on Universal Monarchy,” Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, 2010.
- “The Ottoman-Habsburg Imperial Rivalry for Universal Monarchy (1520-1540),” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, October 16, 2010.
- “Sultan Suleyman’s Favorite Ibrahim Pasha (1523- 1536) and the Remaking of Patronage Relations in the Ottoman Capital of Istanbul,” Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, November 24, 2009.
- “Histories in Verse: Ottoman Imperialism and Its Supporters in Early Sixteenth-Century Istanbul,” Editing the Past, Fashioning the Future: Historiography of the Ottoman Empire, Indiana University, Bloomington, October 30, 2009.
- “Histories in Verse: Ottoman Imperialism and Its Supporters in Early Sixteenth-Century Istanbul,” in The Program in Ottoman Studies, New York University, October 15, 2009.
- “The Rise of Sultan Suleyman's Favorite, Ibrahim Pasha (ca. 1495-1536), to the Grand Vizierate, His Marriage, and the Politics of the Elites in the Early Sixteenth-Century

- Ottoman Empire,” in Institute for Historical Studies Workshop Series, University of Texas-Austin, October 27, 2008.
- “The Ottoman Conquest of Hungary in 1526 and its Effects on the Making of Ottoman Universal Sovereignty in the Sixteenth Century,” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference Meeting, October 24, 2008.
- “Early Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Critics of Empire,” Transition to Modernity Colloquium, Yale University, February 2008.
- “Histories in Verse: Ottoman Imperialism and Its Supporters in Early Sixteenth-Century Istanbul,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2008.
- “The Renaissance, the Roman legacy, and the Ottoman Habsburg Imperial Rivalry (1520-1540),” Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, November 2007.
- “A true Constantinopolitan between Ottoman, Venetian, and Habsburg Empires in the sixteenth century: the extraordinary career of Alvise Gritti (c. 1480-1534),” at Networks of Interaction in the Early Modern Mediterranean, intensive weekend workshop, University of Toronto, October 2007.
- A discussion of my thesis (in Turkish), Bilim ve Sanat Vakfı (The Foundation of Science and Art), Istanbul, Turkey, June 2007.
- “Ibrahim Pasha’s Palace at the Hippodrome (1521): A Political and Ideological Interpretation,” at the Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, November 2006.
- “Voice of Opposition during the Reign of Sultan Suleyman,” Middle Eastern History and Theory Conference, University of Chicago, May 2006.
- “The Belgrade Campaign (1521) and The Rise of Ibrahim Pasha (1523) in Ottoman Histories,” Middle Eastern History and Theory Conference, University of Chicago, May 2005.
- “Some Reflections on Ottoman Grand Vizierate in the Classical Age (1300-1600)” at the Sawyer Seminar on Islam 1300-1600, Franke Institute for Humanities, University of Chicago, May 2002.
- “Ibrahim Pasha (1520-1536): A Transformation in Ottoman Kingship” at the Historical Sociology and Comparative Political Economy Workshop, University of Chicago, October 2001.
- “Sokollu Mehmed Pasha (1565-1579): The Last Favorite as Grand Vizier” delivered at the Middle Eastern History and Theory Conference, University of Chicago, May 2001.
- “Dynastic Succession, Violence and the Myth of Murad IV (1623-1640)” delivered at the Early Modern Workshop, University of Chicago, March 2000.

Research Languages

Turkish, Ottoman Turkish, Arabic, Persian, Italian, Latin, German, French