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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Brown University - Department of Political Science

2025-

Visiting Assistant Professor of Quantitative Methods

Providence, RI

Courses (PhD): Statistics I, Statistics II, Causal Inference, Experimental Methods

EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin2025Ph.D. in GovernmentAustin, TXSabanci University2019M.A. in EconomicsIstanbul, TurkeyBogazici University2017B.A. in EconomicsIstanbul, Turkey

PUBLICATIONS

2024. Behavioral nudges in social media ads show limited ability to encourage COVID-19 vaccination across countries. *PNAS Nexus* (with Jiseon Chang, Roman Hlatky, Huimin Li, and Daniel L. Nielson)

2023. Aiding war: Foreign aid and the intensity of violent armed conflict. *International Studies Quarterly* (with Michael G. Findley, Joseph K. Young, and Daniel Strandow)

WORKING PAPERS

Fleeing (in)voluntarily: How Projected Patriotism Shapes Attitudes Towards Conflict Migrants [Draft] Projected Patriotism and Its Determinants [Draft]

The Legitimacy of Wartime Emigration: Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment in Ukraine [Draft] (with Betty Compton, Roman Hlatky, Holly E. Jansen, Amy H. Liu, and Eoin L. Power)

Language and Voting Behavior among Asian Americans: The Case of the 2024 US Presidential Elections [Draft] (with Amy H. Liu, Jangai Jap, Keith P. Chew and others)

AI at the Gates: Public Support for Technology-Driven Migration Governance [Pre-Analysis Plan]

How Does Migration Shape Views on Immigration? A Quasi-Natural Experiment [Pre-Analysis Plan]

Foreign Aid, Border Enforcement, and Public Opinion on U.S. Migration Policy [Pre-Analysis Plan]

Sound And Fury, Signifying Nothing? An Empirical Test Of Russian Influence In Asia And Eastern Europe [Pre-Analysis Plan] (with Jiseon Chang, Danny S. Cowser, Nivedita Jhunjhunwala, Daniel L. Nielson, and Eoin L. Power)

Home is Where the Bias is: A Field Experiment on Bias in Refugee Housing Search [Pre-Analysis Plan] (with Danny S. Cowser)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Causal Inference (PhD level) Brown University (Fall 2025)

Political Violence (undergraduate level) Brown University (Fall 2025)

Experimental Methods (PhD level) Brown University (scheduled for Spring 2026)

Statistics II (PhD level) Brown University (scheduled for Spring 2026)

Co-Instructor

Math of Politics (undergraduate level) *University of Texas at Austin* Research Writing (undergraduate level) *University of Texas at Austin*

Teaching Assistant

Statistical Analysis in Political Science I (PhD level) University of Texas at Austin

Statistical Analysis in Political Science II (PhD level) University of Texas at Austin

Quantitative Methods (Economics MA level) Sabanci University

Game Theory (Economics MA level) Sabanci University

Civil Wars and Ethnic Violence (undergraduate level) University of Texas at Austin

U.S. Foreign Policy in Middle East (undergraduate level) *University of Texas at Austin*

Suicide Terrorism (undergraduate level)

Introduction to International Relations (undergraduate level) *University of Texas at Austin* **Introduction to Comparative Politics** (undergraduate level) *University of Texas at Austin*

Econometrics (undergraduate level) Sabanci University

Game Theory (undergraduate level) Sabanci University

Intermediate Microeconomics (undergraduate level) Sabanci University

Mentorship

Team Lead at Innovations for Peace and Development Lab University of Texas at Austin

• Led a team of 15 undergraduate RAs including weekly meetings, assisting with data collection and coding.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University	2023
Participant The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan	2022
Participant	
Research Assistant for Michael G. Findley	2020-2025

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Provost Priority Fellowship	2019-2024
Texas Politics Project Research Grant	2024
Dr. George Joseph Shia Memorial Endowed Presidential Fellowship in Liberal Arts	2024
Civitas Institute Summer Fellow	2024
Continuing Fellowship (Summer)	2023, 2024
Pre-Dissertation Fellowship	2020
Full Scholarship (100% Tuition Waiver, Housing and Stipend) - Sabanci University	2017-2019

OTHER SKILLS

Languages: Turkish (Native), Kurdish (Basic)

Programming: R, Python, Stata

General: Survey and Field Experiments, Predictive Analysis, Causal Inference

VISA STATUS

Permanent residence (green card) holder