

# CRYSTAL RUYA STAEBELL

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## EXPERIENCE

### Turkish Heritage Organization

Research Intern - Washington, DC / January 2021 - Present

- **Publish op-eds on Biden's handling of human rights and politicization of Turkish education policy**
- **Write talking points and questions for panelists to answer, including background reading of panelists' publications**
- Attend THO events, summarize speakers' arguments, and pull quotes from speakers to promote the event on social media

### International Association for Political Science Students

Co-Head Coordinator of Annual World Congress (Remote) - Nijmegen, The Netherlands / January 2021 - Present

- Hire, advise, and supervise team of 10 remote international coordinators
- Communicate with high-level speakers, virtual platform providers, and all +175 international conference attendees
- Work with sponsorship branch to target potential sponsors, oversee donor relations, and track finances and budgets
- Increase audience attendance by targeting organizations and expanding social media
- Host bi-weekly team meetings to delegate tasks, brainstorm solutions, and hear progress updates
- Update and manage website via WordPress

### Center for the Study of the Presidency & Congress

Research Intern - Washington, DC / June 2019 - July 2019

- **Researched, wrote, and edited articles for weekly public newsletter on U.S. foreign and defense policy**
- Edited 14 fellowship papers for grammar, format, citations, footnotes, and clarity before publishing

### Youth for Understanding

Volunteer - Washington, DC / August 2015 - July 2019

- **Organized 2 regional conferences and 3 alumni reunions both independently and as a team**
- Advocated federally for funding of study abroad; spoke with Congressional members and researched advocacy methods
- Led sessions and panels as a speaker at official YFU orientations and meetups
- **Curated official YFU student website, composed blog posts, recorded & edited videos, and managed social media**
- Recruited host families, volunteers, and exchange students

### Cato Institute

Event Management Intern - Washington, DC / January 2019 - May 2019

- Compiled list of potential audience members and attendees for major events
- Created spreadsheets to track event expenses and organize timelines for staff to use
- Analyzed event turnout data and strategized with team to increase event participation

### Turkish Coalition of America

Intern - Washington, DC / September 2018 - December 2018

- **Monitored multiple legislative developments and media outlets to aggregate the latest news in briefings and analyses**
- **Wrote social media posts on news in the Turkish-American political community and wrote for monthly newsletter**
- Edited Youth Congress guidebook, invitations, and other Congress material for formatting and grammar

### Arab Center Washington DC

Research & Events Intern - Washington, DC / September 2017 - December 2017

- **Assisted in research projects on Saudi Arabia, Israel, and Yemen; fact-checked and copyedited articles for scholars**
- Organized speakers' schedules, hotel bookings, and itineraries and gathered data into comprehensive spreadsheets

## SKILLS

**Technical:** Graphic Design, Video & Audio Editing, Adobe (Ps, Id, Ai), iMovie, WordPress, Microsoft Office Suite, Google Suite, Mailchimp, Social Media (Twitter, LinkedIn, Youtube)

**Languages:** English (Native), French (B2), Turkish (A2)

## EDUCATION

**Bogazici University**, Department of Political Science  
Istanbul, Turkey / September 2019 - September 2020  
M.A. in Turkey, Europe, and the Middle East, GPA: 3.7

**American University**, School of International Service  
Washington, DC / August 2015 - May 2019  
B.A. in International Relations (Middle East Foreign Policy)

## HONORS & GRANTS

Turkish-American Summer Internship Grant Recipient (2019)  
Received grant to pursue research in DC

Turkish Coalition of America Youth Congress Member (2017)  
Chosen to study Turkish-American relations

Youth for Understanding Guest Presenter (2015, 2017)

Spoke to students on how to get involved/support study abroad