

## Education

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**University of Oxford, Master of Science in Political Theory Research** 2020 - 2021  
**St Cross College, Department of Politics and International Relations**

**Leiden University, Bachelor of Science in Political Science: International Relations and Organisations, Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences** 2017 – 2020

- Minor/Pre-Master in Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology,
- Extracurricular electives: Religion and Politics, and History of Political Philosophy.

## Academic Awards and Research Projects

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**28th European Union Contest For Young Scientists - Contestant** 2016

- With "[Turkey: The Image in The Mirror – The Mirror in The Image](#)" project, chosen to be the first social scientist to represent Turkey in the European Commission's contest in Brussels and received a research grant.

**47th High School Students Research Projects Contest, TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) - Contestant** 2016

- Won the title of "The Young Researcher of The Year" for the first time in 47 years history of the competition as a social scientist, ranked the first place in the field of Sociology, and received a research grant.

## Research Interests, Tools, Languages, and Fieldwork Experience

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**Research Interests:** History of political thought, contemporary political theory, federalism, democratic theory, decentralisation, regionalism, left-libertarianism, common-pool resources, anarchism, utopianism, formal political theory, and comparative political economy.

**Research Tools:** Basic and advanced statistical techniques with SPSS, able to use both qualitative and quantitative methods, able to work with MS Publisher, Adobe InDesign, and Illustrator.

**Languages:** Turkish (native), English (C2), German (B1), and Dutch (A1).

**Fieldwork:** Ethnographic research, participant observation, surveys, and interviews conducted in Frankfurt am Main (Germany), Eskişehir (Turkey), and Eupen (Belgium).

## Relevant Work Experience

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**James Madison Charitable Trust - *Postgraduate Trustee*** 2021 - 2023

- Main tasks: assessing and deciding on research grant applications, and being the Trust's contact for carrying out education or research on federalism, federal government, decentralisation, and regionalism.

**International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) - Vice President for Academic Affairs** 2020 - 2021

- [Elected Head of the IAPSS Academic Department](#), main tasks:
  - Supporting the strategic development of three IAPSS Publications ([Politikon Journal](#), [Encuentro Latinoamericano Journal](#), and [A Different View Blog](#)), Academic Committee, twelve [Student Research Committees](#), and Academic Outreach Committee.
  - Planning the structure of the [Academic Department](#) and recruiting its members.

**University of Glasgow Direct and Deliberative Democracy Course - Teaching Experience** 2019

- Together with Prof Petr Kopecky, taught 2 classes on James C. Scott's "*Two Cheers for Anarchism*" (2012), and the state formation theories of Micheal Mann (1984) "*The Autonomous Power of the State: Its Origins, Mechanisms and Results*" and Charles Tilly (1985) "*War Making and State Making as Organised Crime*."

**Leiden University Medusa Undergraduate Journal for Interdisciplinary Research - Editor** 2019 - 2020

- Main tasks: preparing the guidelines for authors, communicating with stakeholders, and editing papers.

**Political Theory Student Research Committee of International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) - Founder and Chair** 2019 - 2020

- Main tasks: designing and proposing the committee, recruiting its first members, and chairing meetings.

**Middle East Technical University - Assistant of Professor Hüseyin Bağcı** 2019

- Main tasks: attending academic and diplomatic meetings (PhD defences, diplomatic talks at embassies and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey).

- Leiden University Department of Political Science - *Community Officer*** 2018 - 2019
- Main tasks: mentoring the first year students of Political Science and communicating with study advisors.
- International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) - *Student Research Committees Coordinator*** 2018 - 2019
- Main tasks: leading IAPSS Student Research Committees and organising SRC panels for IAPSS events.
- Turkish Consulate General in Rotterdam - *Intern*** 2018
- Main tasks: drafting and proofreading the emails between the Consulate General and the Dutch Immigration Office (IND) for the EU-Turkey Refugee Agreement.

### **International Conferences and Paper Presentations**

- European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference in Innsbruck, Austria (online conference) - *Section Chair*** 2021
- "["Political Change and Democratisation in Times of Crisis"](#) section will be consisting of 3 panels and co-chaired by Rafael Plancarte-Escobar.
- International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress in Lisbon, Portugal (online conference) - *Roundtable Participant*** 2021
- "["Publications of the International Association for Political Science Students \(IAPSS\): Meet the Editorial Teams"](#) event will be held in a roundtable format.

### **Publications**

- Kırtılı, M. (2020). ["Secular Hypocrisy in Public Policy: The Illegal Gender Acts of Muslim Women in France. A Different View Blog."](#)
- Kırtılı, M. (2019). ["Cybersecurity and Economic Development: Comparing Developed, Developing and Emerging Economies."](#) *Cyberpolitik Journal - Siber Politikalar Dergisi*, 4(7), pp. 43-69.
- Miller, H. S. (2019). ["Trading with the Dragon: Latin American - Chinese Relations and the Future of Development."](#) In M. Kırtılı (Ed.), *Medusa - Leiden University Undergraduate Journal for Interdisciplinary Research*, 1(1), pp. 58-67.

### **Participant Certificates (selected)**

- Insight into Publishing, Oxford University Careers Service 2021
- The Netherlands National Cyber Security Summer School (NCS3) 2019
- The Hague Peace Conference Simulation on Cyber Security 2019
- IAPSS World Congress on Diversity and Globalisation in Paris, France 2018

### **Scholarships (selected)**

- Ministry of Youth and Sports - General Directorate of Credits and Hostels 2020
- Received partial funding during the postgraduate studies in Oxford, the United Kingdom
- Bahçeşehir University - BA in Economics and Business Administration 2017
- Received a fully covered tuition fee scholarship for 7 years in Istanbul, Turkey
- Goethe-Institut SivilLAB - Urban Action in Public Space Training 2016
- Received a travel grant for participating the training in Athens, Greece
- PASCH Jugendkurs in Frankfurt am Main 2015
- Received a scholarship for a German language course in Frankfurt am Main, Germany
- Merhaba Deutschland - Hallo Türkiye / YFU Youth Exchange Program 2015
- Received a scholarship for a youth exchange program in Essen, Germany

### **Memberships and Other Interests**

- Memberships:** Open Science Community Leiden University (OSCL), International Political Science Students Association (IAPSS), ECPR Standing Committee in Political Theory, and Political Theory Student Research Committee.
- Other Interests:** Argentine Tango dancer, a cappella chorister, and board game aficionado.