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EDUCATION

Doctoral Candidate. Graduate School and University Center, City University of New York, New York City.
August 2001-Present. Expected dissertation defense: Spring 2009

M.A. Sociology, Queens College, Flushing, NY. February, 2004

Master's in Translation and Interpretation, English-Spanish/Spanish-English. Universidad
Autónoma de Guadalajara (UAG), Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico. 1997. GPA 9.5/10

Two Year Science Program, City College, New York City. 1994. GPA 3.58/4.0

B.A. in History and Near Eastern Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. 1992. GPA 3.57/4.0

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative-historical work on revolutionary change, social movements, and state building in developing countries, particularly Mexico and Turkey

RECENT EMPLOYMENT

Aug. 2004-Present Assistive Technology Assistant for Disability Services of The Office of the Vice-president for Student Affairs, City University of New York Graduate Center, 365 Fifth Avenue, New York, 10016. Tel. 212-817-7403

Oct. 2001-July 2007 Research Associate for Middle East, Middle Eastern-American Center, City University of New York Graduate Center, 365 Fifth Avenue, New York, 10016. Tel. 212-817-7571. Assisted in research for a book project titled, *Backlash 9/11: Middle Eastern and Muslim Americans Respond* (Bakalian & Bozorgmehr, University of California Press, 2009). I participated in designing interview questions, carrying out interviews, collecting immigration and demographic data, organizing the data into tables, designing the framework for coding the interviews using qualitative research software, and contributed to the writing of chapter III of the book.

Feb.-April 2004 Organizer for Socialist Scholars Conference, held at Cooper Union, New York, NY April 2004.

Sept. 2001-Aug. 2004 Student Assistant for Disability Services of The Office of the Vice-president for Student Affairs, City University of New York Graduate Center, 365 Fifth Avenue, New York, 10016. Tel. 212-817-7403

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Sept. 2008-May 2009 *Great Issues Forum: a Seminar on Power*. A Fellowship from the Center for the Study of Humanities

Aug. 2007-Aug 2008 Teaching Practicum Fellowship, Graduate Center, City University of New York

January 2007 Recipient of the CUNY Graduate Center Research Grant for Doctoral Students for dissertation fieldwork

Aug. 2005-May 2006 *Democracy Shrugged* Seminar Fellowship, Center for the Study of Place Culture and Politics, Graduate Center, City University of New York

August 25, 2005 Keynote Speaker at Student Orientation, Graduate Center, City University of New York

Aug. 2004-Aug. 2006 Writing Fellowship, Graduate Center, City University of New York

Aug. 2004-May 2005 *Civil Society, Government, and Governance* Seminar Fellowship, Center for the Study of Philanthropy and Civil Society, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2003-2004 Grad-B Fellowship, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2001-2002 University Fellowship, Graduate Center, City University of New York

1998 Distinguished Teacher Award, Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara

1993 Graduated with Distinction, University of Michigan—Ann Arbor.

1992 Honor's Thesis, *The Rise of Turkish Nationalism*.

1989-1992 Class Honors, University of Michigan—Ann Arbor

TEACHING & TEACHING-RELATED POSITIONS

Adjunct Lecturer: Queensborough Community College, CUNY. *Introduction to Sociology* (part of a Learning Community program linked to Math, a collaborative cross-disciplined approach to teaching), Jan.-May 2008.

Writing Fellow: Queens College, CUNY. Organized workshops for both faculty and students on teaching and learning; worked individually with faculty, aiding in course design, and with students, helping them with the research and writing process; assisted in the design and gathering of data for a research project assessing the impact of the writing intensive initiative (since its inception in 1998) on course designs across the curriculum, Aug. 2004-May 2006.

Teaching Assistant: The Graduate Center, CUNY. *Statistics I & II*. Jan. 2003-Dec. 2003.

Adjunct Professor: Hunter College, CUNY. *Development & Modernization*. Summer course, June-July, 2003.

High School Instructor: Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Guadalajara, Mexico. *Modern World History, Comparative Culture, Communications, English Composition*. 1999-2001.

University Instructor: Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara, Zapopan, Mexico; all levels of English, including Business English, English for the Tourism, and TOEFL, 1997-1999.

PUBLICATIONS

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "Revueltas campesinas en la era de la globalización: el EZLN y el PKK en Turquía". *Anuario XIII* (forthcoming).

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "Civil Society: A Proposed Analytical Framework for Studying its Development Using Turkey as a Case Study." CIRSDIG, Working Paper No. 21, April 2007.

Kucukozer, Mehmet. A Book Review of Nadire Mater's *Voices from the Front: Turkish Soldiers on the War with the Kurdish Guerrillas*. *International Journal of Kurdish Studies*, Vol. 20, Nos. 1&2, 2006.

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "Reevaluating State Formation and Transformation in Light of the Current Debate on 'Failed States.'" *The Discourse of Sociological Practice*, Vol. 7, Issues 1&2, Spring/Fall 2005, 231-244.

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "Theoretical and Practical Challenges to Francis Fukayama's 'End of History' Thesis." *Social Thought and Research*, Vol. 26, No. 1&2, 2005, 105-122.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "The Role of Feedback in Reconsidering Course Design." *Revisions: A Zine on Writing at Queens College*, Issue 3, Spring 2006, pp. 11-12.

Kucukozer, Mehmet. "*Plagio: A View of Plagiarism from Abroad*." *Revisions: A Zine on Writing at Queens College*, Vol. 2, No. 1, Fall 2004/Spring 2005, pp. 10&13.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

- March 5, 2008. “Thinking Through Practice: Community College Pedagogy, Graduate Education, and SoTL”: Co-presenter at The Innovations 2008 Conference, Denver, CO.
- January 20, 2008. “Thinking Through Practice Across Disciplines: Community College Pedagogy, Graduate Education and SoTL (a collaborative design)”: Co-presenter at The Third Annual National Teaching and Learning for Empowerment Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- January 8, 2008. “Peasant Revolts in the Age of Globalization.” Presentation of Dissertation Research at the Instituto de Estudios Indígena at the Universidad Autónoma de Chiapas, San Cristóbal, Chiapas, México
- Nov.-Dec. 2007 Participated in a teaching workshop: “Reading Across the Curriculum,” Queensborough Community College, Bayside, NY.
- March 17, 2007. “Peasant Revolts in the Age of Globalization”: A roundtable on historical sociology. Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.
- January 28, 2007 “Kurds, Religion, and Civil Society in Turkey”: A presentation for the Centro Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Antropología del Sureste, San Cristóbal, Chiapas, México
- January 15, 2007 “Peasant Revolts in the Age of Globalization”: A proposal presentation, Universidad Autónoma de Chiapas, San Cristóbal, Chiapas, México
- May 6, 2006. “Peasant Rebellions in the Age of Globalization: The EZLN in Mexico and the PKK in Turkey.” A Panel on Social Movements, Society for Comparative Research, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- Feb. 24, 2006. “Civil Society: A Proposed Analytical Framework For Studying its Development Using Turkey as a Case Study.” Paper Session—Eastern Sociological (ESS), Boston, Mass.
- May 20, 2005. Co-Presenter, “A Description of Faculty Assignments in Writing-Intensive and Non-Writing-Intensive Courses at Queens College-CUNY.” Paper Session—Writing Fellowship Conference, CUNY Graduate Center.
- April 7, 2005. “Reevaluating State Formation and Transformation in Light of the Current Debate on ‘Failed States.’” Paper Session. Social Theory Forum (STF), University of Massachusetts—Boston.
- Feb. 7, 2003. Interconnection Between Indigenous (and Other ‘Dissenting’) Religions, Identity, and Ethnic Movements Among the Native Peoples of Mexico.” Paper Session—Globalization: Mexico and Mexican Immigration. Eastern Sociological Society (ESS), Philadelphia, PA.

- Oct. 22, 2002. “Interconnection Between Indigenous (and Other ‘Dissenting’) Religions, Identity, and Ethnic Movements Among the Native Peoples of Mexico.” Paper Session—Eighth International Graduate Students Conference. City University of New York Graduate Center.
- Aug. 15, 2002. Bakalian, Anny; Mehdi Bozorgmehr & Mehmet Kucukozer. “Ethnic Mobilization: Organizational Response to the Backlash.” Roundtable on Post-9/11 Hate Crimes Against Immigrants, American Sociological Association (ASA), Chicago, IL.

REFERENCES

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