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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2021 - Present Associate Professor, College of Global Liberal Arts, Ritsumeikan University
2020 - 2021 Predoctoral Research Fellow in International Security, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School

EDUCATION

2014 - 2021 Ph.D., Sociology, Yale University
Dissertation: Contending Futures in the 21st-Century Middle East: Ideology and the Emergent Political Formations of ISIS, Kurdistan-Iraq and Kurdistan-Syria - *Distinction*
2017 M.Phil., Sociology, Yale University
2016 M.A., Sociology, Yale University
2011 - 2014 M.A., Political Science, Sabanci University
Coursework completed, thesis not defended
2004 - 2009 B.Sc. with Honors, Computer Engineering, Bogazici University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Ideologies, Political Conflict, Revolutions and Revolutionary Movements, State-Building, Middle East Studies, Comparative Social Science, Social and Political Thought

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

2021 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "[Competing Revolutionaries: Legitimacy and Leadership in Revolutionary Situations.](#)" *The British Journal of Sociology* 72(4):1092-1112.
2020 **Rasit, Huseyin** and Alexander Kolokotronis. "[Decentralist Vanguard: Women's Autonomous Power and Left Convergence in Rojava.](#)" *Globalizations* 17(5):869-883.

Book Chapters

- 2020 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "[Imperialism, Revolution, and the Desire to Lecture the Kurds: How Should We \(Not\) Analyze U.S.-Kurdish Relations.](#)" Pp. 225-41 in *Kurdish Autonomy and U.S. Foreign Policy: Continuity and Change*, edited by V. Eccarius-Kelly and M. M. Gunter. New York: Peter Lang.

Book Reviews

- 2022 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "[Under the Banner of Islam: Turks, Kurds, and the Limits of Religious Unity.](#)" *Politics, Religion & Ideology*.

Others

- 2017 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "[Not Another Story of Failed Liberation: Tensions in Bashur and Rojava in the Light of the Referendum,](#)" *openDemocracy*

Work in Progress

- 2022 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "An Integrated Theory of Ideology" – Under Review
- 2022 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "Journalists of the Empire: Media Bias and International Affairs," – in preparation
- 2022 **Rasit, Huseyin.** "Revolutionaries, Nationalists, Jihadists: Ideology and State-Building in Emergent Political Formations" – in preparation

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ritsumeikan University (2021 – Present)Instructor

- Sociological Theories: Classics and Contemporary, Global Sociology, Globalizations and International Relations, Introduction to Sociology, Foundations in Research Skills, Research Seminar, Introduction to Global Liberal Arts

Yale University (2016 – 2021)Instructor

- Political Sociology, Foundations of Modern Social Theory

Teaching Fellow

- Social Policy and the Politics of Inequality in the United States, Foundations of Modern Social Theory

Yale Young Global Scholars (2019)Lead Instructor (Summer 2019)

- International Affairs and Globalization; Politics, Law, and Economics

Gateway Community College (2017)Part-time Acting Instructor

- Introduction to Sociology

Sabanci University (2011 – 2013)Teaching Fellow

- Introduction to Social and Political Sciences, Comparative Politics, Political Economy

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2020 - 2021	International Security Program Fellowship, Belfer Center, Harvard Kennedy School, \$34,000
2018 - 2019	Yale MacMillan International Dissertation Research Fellowship, \$18,000
2018 - 2019	DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Grant, €8500
2018	Edward J. and Dorothy Clarke Kempf Memorial Fund, \$15,000 – with Jonathan Wyrzten
2018	U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center Grant, \$10,000 – with Jonathan Wyrzten
2018	Yale MacMillan Center International Travel Grant, \$750
2017	Yale Graduate Student College Teaching Fellowship, \$3000
2017	SSHA Graduate Student Travel Award, \$500
2017	CAMP Grant, Sociology Department, Yale University, \$500
2016	Smith Richardson Foundation International Security Studies Fellowship, \$3,000
2016	Yale MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Grant, \$2,000
2005 - 2009	Honor Scholarship, the Office of the Prime Minister of Turkey, \$20,000

HONORS AND AWARDS

2016 - 2018	Kanter Fellow, Rosabeth M. Kanter Fellowship, Yale University
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SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Conference Organizer

2018 Interdisciplinary Conference on Kurdish Politics and Societies, Yale University, New Haven, CT.

Panel Organizer

2019 “Ideologies and Political Formations.” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2019 “Ideologies, Political Formations, and Conflict in Kurdistan.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2017 “Syrian Kurds: Contesting Boundaries.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Presenter

2021 “Revolutionaries, Nationalists, Jihadists: Ideology and Politics in the 21st-Century Middle East.” TUFs Interdisciplinary Research Unit for Global Democratic Change. – Invited talk.

2021 “An Integrated Theory of Ideology.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

2021 “Revolutionaries, Nationalists, Jihadists: Ideology and Emergent Political Formations.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

2020 “Colonial/Imperial Gaze in Kurdish Studies.” Roundtable. Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting.

2020 “An Integrated Theory of Ideology.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

2019 “A Tale of Two Kurdistans: Ideological Structures and Political Formations in Kurdistan-Syria and Kurdistan-Iraq.” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2019 “A Tale of Two Kurdistans: Ideological Structures and Political Formations in Kurdistan-Syria and Kurdistan-Iraq.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2019 “Decentralist Vanguard: Women’s Autonomous Power and Left Convergence in Rojava.” Historical Materialism Athens Conference, Panteion University, Athens.

- 2018 “Decentralist Vanguard: Women’s Autonomous Power and Left Convergence in Rojava.” Historical Materialism Annual Conference, SOAS, London.
- 2018 “Decentralist Vanguard: Women’s Autonomous Power and Left Convergence in Rojava.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 “Competing Revolutionaries: Legitimacy and Leadership in Revolutionary Situations.” Comparative Historical Sociology Mini-Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 “Vanguards of Anti-Statism: Anarchism, Leninism, and the Ideological Search for a New Mode of Public Power in Rojava.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 2017 “Competing Revolutionaries: Legitimacy, Leadership, and Strategy in Revolutionary Situations.” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Montreal.
- 2017 “One Ethnic Group, Two Revolutions: Kurdistan-Iraq and Kurdistan-Syria in Comparative Perspective.” Kurdish Summer School, Kurdish Institute, Paris.
- 2017 “One Ethnic Group, Two Revolutions: Kurdistan-Iraq and Kurdistan-Syria in Comparative Perspective.” Rethinking Revolutions Workshop, LSE, London.
- 2016 “An Ethics of Violence Based on Practice: The Rojava Revolution in Syria.” Historical and Comparative Perspectives on Kurdish Politics, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
- 2016 “An Ethics of Violence Based on Practice: The Rojava Revolution in Syria.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Collective and Discursive Identities: Toward a Realist-Constructionist Theory of Identity.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2022 - Member of the Steering Committee, Center for Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, Ritsumeikan University
- 2021 - 2022 Member of Project Task Force on Curriculum Reform at the College of Global Liberal Arts, Ritsumeikan University
- 2019 - 2021 Coordinator of Political Violence and Its Legacies Workshop, Yale University
- 2018 Organizer of Interdisciplinary Conference on Kurdish Politics and Societies. Yale University, April 6-8
- 2017 Yale Certificate of College Teaching Preparation

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010 - 2011 Software Engineer, Banksoft, Istanbul, Turkey

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

Stata, Java, C++, C

LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), Kurdish (Intermediate), Japanese (Beginner)

MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association, Middle East Studies Association, Social Science History Association, International Sociological Association

REFERENCES

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