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ACADEMIC POSITION

2016 - Assistant Professor, Département de science politique, Université Laval
2015-2016 Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Kansas, Institute for Policy & Social Research
2015 (Fall) Visiting Scholar, York University, School of Public Policy and Administration

EDUCATION

Université de Montréal

2015 Ph.D., Political Science, (Outstanding dissertation award)
Received Pierre Lefrançois Award for the Best Dissertation in Political Science
Dissertation: “Contextualizing Discretion: Micro-dynamics of Canada’s Refugee Determination System”

University of Essex

2007, MA, Theory and Practice of Human Rights

Bilkent Üniversitesi

2006, B.A, Political Science and Public Administration, (High Honors)

RESEARCH & TEACHING AREAS

Public policy and administration; refugees, immigration and citizenship; refugee status determination; law, politics and society; administrative tribunals; front-line decision-making; research design and ethics.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed publications

(Forthcoming), “Le moment de vérité: comprendre les procédures d’asiles au Canada – une vue de l’intérieur”, *Politiques & Sociétés*, publication date: January 2017

(Forthcoming), “Introduction: Au coeur des procédures d’asile: perspectives ethnographiques”, *Politiques & Sociétés*, Special Journal Issue, with Jonathan Miaz, publication date: January 2017

2015 “Studying refugee decision-making: challenges of access to the research site and strategies for resolution”, *Refugee Review*, 2(1), 151-160.

2015, “Doing Research on State Organizations: Ethical Challenges of Research on Refugee Decision Makers”, *Forum: Qualitative Social Research*, 16(1), Available at <http://nbn-resolving.de/urn:nbn:de:0114-fqs150168>

2014, “The impact of quality counsel and procedural capital in the Canadian refugee determination process”, *International Journal of Migration and Border Studies*, 1(3), 276-290

2012, “Multiplicity of Truths about Human Trafficking: Beyond the Sex Slave Discourse”, *CEU Political Science Journal*, 7(1), pp. 50-67

Other publications

(Forthcoming) Points of Entry: How Canada’s Immigration Officers Decide Who Gets In, Vic Satzewich, Toronto : UBC Press, 2015, *Transnational Social Review: A Social Work Journal* (Book review)

“La justice administrative : entre indépendance et responsabilité, Jalons pour la création d'un régime commun des décideurs administratifs indépendants”, Cowansville : Éditions Yvon Blais, 2014, *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law*, 10(2) (Book review)

2015, “Soupçon sur l’asile au Canada”, *Plein Droit*, 105(2), 26-29.

2012, “Affirmer la laïcité, un pas de plus vers l’égalité réelle entre les femmes et les hommes”, du Conseil du statut de la femme, Québec, 2011, *Politique et Société*, 31(2), 2012, pp. 163-165 (Book review)

Ongoing projects

“Knocking on Canada’s door: refugee status determination at the front-lines” (book project)

“Through an ethnographic lens; what more can we learn about administrative tribunals?” (article)

“Truth is a stubborn beast, how will you handle it? Assessing affect and facts in refugee decision-making” (article)

ACADEMIC AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS and GRANTS

Awards

- 2016 Best Dissertation Award in Social Sciences, The Association des doyens des études supérieures au Québec (ADÉSAQ), (2015-2016), Representing Université de Montréal
- 2016 Pierre Lefrançois Award for the Best Dissertation in Political Science, Université de Montréal (2014-2015), \$ 2,500.
- 2015 Outstanding dissertation award and nomination to the Dean’s Honor List (top 10%).
- 2014 Graduate Student Paper Prize, The Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies, finalist.
- 2014 Graduate Student Paper Prize, International Studies Association Canada Section, Honorable mention.

Fellowships

- 2016 Québec Research Council Grant, Fonds de recherche Société et Culture, Postdoctoral Fellowship, \$ 64,000 (declined)
- 2011 Québec Research Council Grant, Fonds de recherche société et culture, Québec, Doctoral Scholarship, \$ 60,000
- 2007 Chevening MA Scholarship, British Foreign & Commonwealth Office, \$ 33,000

Grants

- 2016 Early Career Workshop, Law and Society Association, New Orleans, LA, workshop grant
- 2015 Travel grant, Université de Montréal, Faculté des études supérieures et postdoctorales

- 2013 Travel grant, Université de Montréal, Faculté des études supérieures et postdoctorales
- 2012 Presidency of Turks Abroad and Related Communities, co-applicant with Dr. Ekrem Karakoc (Binghamton University, \$20,000)
- 2009 The United Kingdom-India Education and Research Initiative, main applicant, \$ 3,300

INVITED TALKS

Centre for Immigration Policy Evaluation, Concordia University, Montreal, QC, March 2016

- “Fieldwork Accounts in Immigration Research and Beyond: Access, Interviews and Relations”

Chaire de recherche du Canada en étude du pluralisme religieux, Université de Montréal, March 2016

- “Table ronde sur la recherche ethnographique”

Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON, March 2016

- “Knocking on Canada’s door : the exercise of discretion in refugee status determination”

Robson Hall Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, February 2016

- “Truth seeking and credibility assessment during Canadian refugee hearings”

Faculty of Law, Queens University, Kingston, ON, February 2016

- Working the legal field: sociolegal research methodology, compassion and facts”

Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, ON, November 2015

- “Refugee Status Determination and the Importance of Refugee Hearing”

McLaughlin College, York University, Toronto, ON, November 2015

- “Studying Refugee Determination From Below: Adjudication of Refugee Status in Canada”

Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, October 2015

- “At the heart of refugee hearing: understanding asylum adjudication from within”

Faculty of Law, Feminist Legal Studies Speakers Series Workshop, Queen’s University, October 2015

- “Knocking on refugee law’s door: persecution claims based on gender and sexual orientation”

Institute for Policy & Social Research, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, September 2015

- “The moment of truth: adjudication of refugee status in Canada”

Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers Annual Conference, University of Toronto, April 2015

- “The mantle of responsibility: research on the quality of counsel”

Écoles d’études politiques, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON, February 2013

- “Harper, peut-il procéder à la « réingénierie » du system de statut de réfugié du Canada?”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Instructor (Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement, Ryerson University)
 Summer 2016 *Immigration, Settlement and Diaspora Policies* (PhD Seminar)

Guest Instructor (Osgoode Hall Law School, York University)
 Fall 2015 *Refugee Law* (Second year course)

Guest Instructor (McLaughlin College, York University)
Fall 2015 *International Refugee Protection Regime I: Critical Problems* (Fourth year and graduate seminar)

Guest Instructor (Queen's Faculty of Law)
Fall 2015 *Feminist Legal Studies Seminar Series* (Graduate seminar)

Guest Instructor (Institute for Policy and Social Research, University of Kansas)
Fall 2015 *Research Design and Ethics* (Graduate seminar)

Instructor (Université de Montréal)
Winter 2014 *Méthodes qualitatives* (Third year course)

Teaching Assistant (Université de Montréal)
Winter 2015, *Politique au Québec, au Canada*
Winter 2015, *Institutions politiques Canada - Québec*
Winter 2013, *Forces et comportements*
Summer 2012, *Politique comparée*
Fall 2012, *Politique comparée*

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Panel convenor

- International Political Science Association World Congress (2014, 2016)
- Cultural Diversity & Liberal Democracy Conference, Glendon School of Public & International Affairs (2016)
- Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (2015)
- Fieldwork: Challenges, practices and strategies, Université de Montréal (2014)

Peer review

- *Canadian Political Science Journal*, *CEU Political Science Journal* and *Refugee Review* (2014-2015)

Member

- Professional Development Committee, International Studies Association Canada Section (2014-2016)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

- "Politics of Immigration Control and Public Administration of Refugees in Canada" (2015)

Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

- "Management of Refugee Claims in Canada and the United States" (2015)
- "Making sense of tears: emotionally charged moments in refugee decision-making" (2015, panel convenor and presenter)
- "Truth is a stubborn beast – how will you handle it? Truth seeking and credibility assessment during refugee hearings" (2014)
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Canadian Political Science Association Annual Congress

- "What does ethnography bring to the study of Canadian public administration?" (2015)
- "Being invisible at a research site that is hidden from sight", doing politically sensitive research on refugee decision makers" (2014)

- “Prove to me that you are a genuine refugee”: Credibility assessment at Canadian refugee hearings” (2014)
- “Deciding who is (not) a refugee: Credibility assessment during refugee hearings” (2013)

International Political Science Association World Congress

- “The Moment of ruth: understanding Canadian asylum adjudication from within” (Accepted, panel convenor, presenter, discussant, 2016)
- “Doing Research on State Organizations: Ethical Challenges of Research on Refugee Decision Makers” (2014, panel convenor, presenter)

International Studies Association Annual Convention

- “Truth is a stubborn beast – how will you handle it? Truth seeking and credibility assessment during refugee hearings” (2014)

AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association
 Canadian Political Science Association
 Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies
 Centre de recherche en immigration, ethnicité et citoyenneté (UQAM)
 Centre for the Evaluation of Immigration Policies (Concordia University)
 Centre de recherche interdisciplinaire sur la diversité et la démocratie (UQAM)
 Centre de recherche sur les politiques et le développement sociale (Université de Montréal)
 Centre for Refugee Studies (York University)
 International Political Science Association
 Law and Society Association
 Migration, Immigration, Diaspora, and Human Trafficking Research Cluster (University of Kansas)
 Société québécoise de science politique

LANGUAGES

English (fluent), French (fluent), Turkish (native)

CITIZENSHIP

Canadian, Turkish