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Education

Ph.D Candidate, Political Science, University of North Texas (expected Spring 2018)

Fields: Comparative Politics and International Relations

Dissertation Title: Life-Cycle of Terrorist Groups: When Terror Groups Emerge and Exit

M.S., Criminal Justice, University of North Texas (2014)

B.A., Administration, Turkish Military Academy (2013)

RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed

Satisfaction with an Alternative Law Enforcement Approach, Gendarmerie: A Case Study for Turkey” *The Journal of International Social Research*, August 2015, Vol.8, Issue 39, with Ozgur Solakoglu, Gultekin Topaktas and Muhammed Burak Zabun.

Working Papers

- Reputation, Pressure and Concession Making in Claim Disputes, with Prof.Dr.Michael Greig.
- When Are They Defeated? State Capacity, Interstate Cooperation and the Duration of Terror Groups. Submitted to *Defense and Peace Economics*, Manuscript ID: GDPE-2017-0110
- Resource Curse versus Nonviolence: Natural Resource Abundance and the Failure of Nonviolent Movements, with Emirhan Demirhan. Submitted to *International Interactions*. Manuscript ID: GINI-2017-1269.
- Who Fights Terrorism: Gendarmerie, Terrorism and Counterterrorism.
- State Capacity and Civilian Victimization in Civil Wars
- Weak States and Post-ISIS Challenges---Policy Paper

Scholarly Presentations

- “General Strain Theory and Terrorism: The Effect of Negative Life Experiences on Engaging Terrorist Violence among PKK Terrorists”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of Southwestern Social Science Association, April 8-11, 2015.

- “Can Arms Embargoes Decrease Conflict Duration?” Paper presented at ISA-Midwest Conference, November 20-22, 2015.
- “Reputation, Pressure and Concession Making in Claim Disputes”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of American Political Science Association, September 1-4, 2016.
- “Spoiling the Peace in Ethnic Conflict: How do Intraparty Dynamics Influence Spoiling? “. Paper presented at the annual meeting of Midwest American Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2016.
- “Besieging and Eliminating Terrorists: Bureaucratic Capacity, Cooperation and Terrorism”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of International Studies Association, February 22-25, 2017.
- “Besieging and Eliminating Terrorists: Bureaucratic Capacity, Cooperation and Terrorism”. Paper presented at the annual meeting of Southern Political Science Association, January 12-14, 2017.
- "Who Fights Terrorism: Gendarmerie, Terrorism and Counterterrorism". Paper presented at the annual meeting of International Security and Arms Control Conference, October 13-14, 2017.

RESEARCH ASSISTANSHIP

David Mason, University of North Texas: Summer 2017

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

International Conflict, University of North Texas, Fall 2017

Teaching Assistantship

American Government, Spring 2017, Fall 2017

Awards

- Pender Award for the Best Graduate Student Paper in Political Science, 2016.
- Full Scholarship from Turkish General Gendarmerie Command in 2013-2016.
- Travel Grants from College of Arts and Sciences and Department of Political Science in UNT for APSA, MPSA and ISA conference
- First place in a competition on Law of Armed Conflict, March 18-22, 2013, San Remo, Italy.

Academic Associations

- American Political Science Association
- International Studies Association

Languages

- Turkish-Primary Language
- English-Advanced

Software Programs

Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint – intermediate

STATA – Advanced

SPSS – intermediate

Method Skills

Descriptive and Introductory Statistics

Regression

Maximum Likelihood

References

- T.David Mason—Committee Chair, Faculty Adviser

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