

# Ozlem Tuncel

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## EDUCATION

**Georgia State University**, Atlanta, GA

- Ph.D. Candidate, [Political Science](#), Ongoing (expected graduation: 2024)
- Sub-fields: Comparative Politics, Quantitative and Qualitative Methods
  - Chair: [Jennifer McCoy](#)
  - Committee Members: [Carrie Manning](#), [Charles Hankla](#)

**Boğaziçi University**, Istanbul, Turkey

- M.A., [Political Science and International Relations](#), August 2019
- Thesis: [Rethinking state and civil society: Two educational policies during the Justice and Development Party](#)
  - Advisor: [Zeynep Kadirbeyoğlu](#)
  - GPA: 4.0, Dean's High Honors Degree

**Boğaziçi University**, Istanbul, Turkey

- B.A., [Political Science and International Relations](#), June 2016
- GPA: 3.69, Dean's High Honors Degree

## PUBLICATIONS

Carrie Manning, Ian Smith, & **Ozlem Tuncel**. (2022). [Rebels with a cause: Introducing the Post-Rebel Electoral Parties Dataset](#). *Journal of Peace Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00223433221126552>.

**Ozlem Tuncel**, & Carrie Manning. (2022). [Building democracy after war? Post-rebel electoral parties and the construction of stable party systems](#). *Party Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/13540688221124877>.

**Ozlem Tuncel**. (2017). [AKP dönemi eğitim politikalarına ilişkin bir örnek: Değerler eğitimi](#) (An example from education policies of the AKP period: Values education). *Kültür ve Siyasette Feminist Yaklaşımlar*, 33, 3-26.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

**Ozlem Tuncel**, Carrie Manning, & Ian Smith. (2022). [Political integration and post-war elections](#). *Folke Bernadotte Academy*.

Jennifer McCoy, Ben Press, Murat Somer, and **Ozlem Tuncel**. (May 5, 2022). [Reducing pernicious polarization: A comparative historical analysis of depolarization](#). *Carnegie*.

Ronay Bakan & **Ozlem Tuncel**. (July 4, 2019). [Women's Struggle in Turkey](#). *Yale Global*.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

Parties, politics, peace: How former insurgent groups shape politics after war. (with Carrie Manning and Ian Smith, under contract with *Routledge*, [June 2023](#))

The glimmer of hope in the bleak future of civil society under oppressive regimes: An example from the Turkish educational civil society. *Journal of Civil Society*. (Revise

and resubmit)

Costly democracy: Peacebuilding and democracy after war. *Routledge's Africa in World Politics*, 7th edition. (with Carrie Manning)

[Toward a new transition theory? Opposition dilemmas and how to resist and recover from democratic erosion.](#) (with Jennifer McCoy and Murat Somer, preprint with APSA Preprints)

Reducing partisan affective polarization through common humanity and perspective-taking: An online survey experiment in the United States. (with Jennifer McCoy and Juan Gomez)

Displacing an education system through formal and informal institutional changes.

Temporary alliances and post-war politics: How and why post-rebel parties form pre-electoral coalitions.

#### GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023. MPSA Harrell Rodgers Travel Scholarship. (\$500)

2022. ISA-Midwest Emerging Scholars Grant and Travel Grant. (\$500)

2022-2023. [APSA Summer Centennial Center Research Grant](#). (\$2,500)

2022-2023. The Craigie International Security Fellowship. (\$20,000)

2022-2023. [Georgia State University Library Dissertation Travel Award](#). (\$1000)

2022. Georgia State University Political Science Department's Summer Research & Professional Development Fellowship for ICPSR Summer School. (\$2600)

2020-2021. [GSU Political Science Department's](#) Best Graduate Paper Award.

2019. [Boğaziçi University](#): Dean's High Honors Degree.

2018. Northwestern University Buffett Institute for Global Studies for 2018 Keyman Conference: Education in Turkey, Chicago. (\$600)

2016. [Boğaziçi University](#): Dean's High Honors Degree.

#### CONFERENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

2022, November. Temporary alliances of opposition parties in electoral autocracies. Presentation at [ISA-Midwest](#), in-person, St. Louis, Missouri.

2022, June. Political integration and post-war elections. Presentation at the United Nations' Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR) Chiefs Meeting, in-person, **UN Headquarters**, New York.

2022, April. Building democracy after war? Post-rebel electoral parties and the construction of stable party systems. Presentation at [MPSA Conference](#), hybrid.

2021, May. Reducing partisan affective polarization through common humanity and perspective-taking: An online survey experiment in the United States. Presentation at Helsinki Conference on Emotions, Populism and Polarisation (**HEPP**), online, Finland.

2021, April. The electoral path of inclusion: Exploring the role of post-rebel electoral parties in post-conflict state building. Presentation at [ISA Conference](#), online.

2021, March. Poverty reduction policies in authoritarian regimes. Presentation at the Atlanta Symposium on Political Science ([ASOPS](#)), Georgia State University, online.

2020, March. The glimmer of hope in the bleak future of civil society under oppressive regimes: An example from the Turkish educational civil society. Presentation at the [Atlanta Symposium on Political Science \(ASOPS\)](#), Georgia State University, in Atlanta, GA.

2018, October. Rethinking state and civil society: Two educational policies during the Justice and Development Party era. Presentation at the Northwestern University Buffett Institute for Global Studies, [2018 Keyman Conference: Education in Turkey](#), Chicago.

2018, May. An example from education policies of the AKP period: Values education. Presentation at the Sabancı University, [Gender and Education Conference](#), Istanbul, Turkey.

2018, March. Re-visiting state-civil society relations: Two cases of educational policies during the AKP period. Presentation at the Boğaziçi University [Nazim Hikmet Culture and Arts Research Center](#), [Graduate Conference](#), Istanbul, Turkey.

RESEARCH AND  
TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

[Georgia State University](#), Atlanta, GA

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

**Fall 2022, Spring 2023**

Assisting [Michael Herb](#) with *POLS 8805: Introduction to Quantitative Analysis* and [Ryan Carlin](#) with *POLS 8830: Advanced Quantitative Methods* during Fall 2022, and [Michael Fix](#) with *Uses of Intermediate Statistical Methods* during Spring 2023.

*Graduate Research Assistant*

**Fall, 2021 - Summer, 2022**

Research assistance to [Jennifer McCoy](#)'s and [Murat Somer](#)'s book project on strategies to overcome pernicious polarization and protect democracy at the macro level, and on opposition strategies to challenge incremental autocratization.

*Instructor*

**Spring, 2021**

Instructor of *POLS 1101: Introduction to American Government* course.

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

**Fall, 2020**

Assisting Michael Evans with *POLS 1101: Introduction to American Government* course.

*Graduate Research Assistant*

**Fall, 2019 - Fall, 2020**

Includes current Ph.D. research, Ph.D. and Masters level coursework and research projects.

- Assisting faculty members in proctoring and grading exams and quizzes.
- Assisting faculty members in their research.

[Boğaziçi University](#), Istanbul, Turkey

*Graduate Research Assistant*

**Spring 2017 - Summer 2019**

- Tutoring graduate students in NVivo and SPSS.
- Assisting administrative tasks of the department: in charge of the department's website, freshman students' registry, and affairs with MA/Ph.D. students.
- Assisting faculty members in proctoring and grading exams and quizzes.

*Summer Research Assistant*

**May - June, 2002**

Research assistant on different projects through the summer semesters from 2013-2018.

- Assisting the undergraduate students who participate in the program to conduct news research and compile a data entry of the news in “[Mobile emergency rule in Turkey: Legal repression of protests during authoritarian transformation](#)” research with Mert Arslanalp.
- Analyzing the data on political participation of Euro-Turks in NVivo in “Political participation of Euro-Turks” research with Zeynep Kadirbeyoglu.
- Detailed online research and data entry of information about the local governance in Turkey in “Democratic innovations: Citizen participation in local governance” research with Zeynep Kadirbeyoglu.
- Conducting news research and contacting local NGOs about Syrian refugees in “The effect of Syrian refugees on Turkish domestic politics and foreign policy” research with Tolga Sinmazdemir.

**Master of Arts in International Relations: Turkey, Europe, and the Middle East Program, Istanbul, Turkey**

*Student Assistant*

**Fall 2016 - Spring 2017**

- Assisting program coordinator in administrative tasks.
- In charge of the program’s website and social media accounts.

**PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE**

**Department of Political Science, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA**

*DEI Committee Graduate Student Representative*    **October 2022 - October 2023**

**Graduate Student Association, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA**

*Conference Chair*

**May 2022 - May 2023**

*Conference Co-Chair*

**May 2021 - May 2022**

Atlanta Symposium on Political Science (ASOPS) is a graduate-level conference hosted by the Political Science Department at Georgia State University.

*International Student Delegate*

**May 2020 - May 2021**

Represents the international students in the department.

**[Party at the Mailbox](#), Atlanta, GA**

*Data Analyst*

**December 2020 - January 2021**

Hand-matched data with Georgia voter file and verified data for experimental design on Senate Runoff Election (5 January 2021) in Georgia.

**Center for European Studies Student Forum (CESSF), Istanbul, Turkey**

*President*

**2014-2016**

**Sabancı University, [Istanbul Policy Center](#), Istanbul, Turkey**

*Intern*

**June 2016 – August 2016**

**Northern Cypriot Consulate General, Visa and Asylum, Istanbul, Turkey**

*Intern*

**August 2013**

ADDITIONAL TRAINING	<div data-bbox="422 189 1435 346"> <p><b>ICPSR</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>July and August 2022</b></span></p> <p>I attended the second session of Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) summer school at University of Michigan. I participated in <i>Panel data and longitudinal analysis</i> (received A), <i>Data science and text analysis</i> (received A) and <i>Causal inference for the social sciences</i> (audited).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="422 378 1435 546"> <p><b>Data Matters</b>, online <span style="float: right;"><b>December 7-11, 2020</b></span></p> <p><i>Participant</i></p> <p>I participated in two courses: “<a href="#">Introduction to Statistical Machine Learning Using R</a>” and “<a href="#">Introduction to Big Data &amp; Machine Learning for Survey Researchers &amp; Social Scientists</a>.”</p> </div> <div data-bbox="422 577 1435 714"> <p><b>Research Data Services at GSU</b>, Atlanta, GA <span style="float: right;"><b>Summer &amp; Fall 2019</b></span></p> <p><i>Participant</i></p> <p>I took the following courses in several workshops: NVivo Part 1 &amp; 2, R Part 1 &amp; 2, Stata Part 1 &amp; 2, and Tableau Part 1 &amp; 2.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="422 745 1435 808"> <p><b>DataCamp</b>, online <span style="float: right;"><b>June 2020</b></span></p> <p>I completed the <a href="#">Data Scientist with R</a> track.</p> </div>
SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certified <a href="#">the Carpentries</a> Instructor</li> <li>• Software: R, Stata, NVivo, Tableau, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Microsoft Office; some experience with Python, and QGIS:Geographical Information Systems.</li> <li>• Languages: Turkish (native), English (advanced), French (beginner).</li> </ul>
REFERENCES	Available upon request.

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