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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2021 - Present	Associate Professor of Sociology, College of Global Liberal Arts, Ritsumeikan University
2020 - 2021	Predoctoral Research Fellow, International Security Program, 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 - <i>Distinction</i>
2017	M.Phil., Sociology, Yale University Field Exam: Revolutions and Revolutionary Struggles - <i>Distinction</i>
2016	M.A., Sociology, Yale University
2011 - 2014	M.A., Political Science, Sabanci University <i>Coursework completed, thesis not defended</i>
2004 - 2009	B.Sc. with Honors, Computer Engineering, Bogazici University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Revolutions and Revolutionary Movements, State-Building, Ideologies, Middle East Studies, Political Sociology, Comparative-Historical Social Science, Social Theory

PUBLICATIONS

2021	Rasit, Huseyin. "Competing Revolutionaries: Legitimacy and Leadership in Revolutionary Situations" – Forthcoming in <i>British Journal of Sociology</i>
2020	Rasit, Huseyin and Alexander Kolokotronis. "Decentralist Vanguards: Women's Autonomous Power and Left Convergence in Rojava." <i>Globalizations</i> 17(5):869-883.

- 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.
- 2017 **Rasit, Huseyin.** “Not Another Story of Failed Liberation: Tensions in Bashur and Rojava in the Light of the Referendum,” *openDemocracy*

Work in Progress

- 2020 **Rasit, Huseyin.** “Revolutionaries, Nationalists, Jihadists: Ideology and Emergent Political Formations”
- 2020 **Rasit, Huseyin.** “An Integrated Theory of Ideology”

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| 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 Wirtzen |
| 2018 | U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center Grant, \$10,000 – with Jonathan Wirtzen |
| 2018 | Yale MacMillan Center International Travel Grant, \$750 |
| 2017 | Yale Graduate Student Community 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

2016 - 2018	Kanter Fellow, Rosabeth M. Kanter Fellowship, Yale University
2011 - 2013	Teaching Fellowship, Sabanci University
2009	Honors, Bogazici University

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Conference Organizer

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

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.” 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.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ritsumeikan University (2021 – Present)

Instructor

- Sociological Theories: Classics and Contemporary, Globalizations and International Relations, Introduction to Global Liberal Arts, Global Sociology

Yale University (2016 – Present)

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 (Fall 2011)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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
2016	Philosophy of Social Sciences Graduate Student Seminar, Tacoma

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010 - 2011	Software Engineer, Banksoft, Istanbul, Turkey
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SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

Stata, Java, C++, C

LANGUAGES

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

MEMBERSHIPS

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

REFERENCES

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