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Contact Information

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Education

Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey — 2028 (Expected)
Ph.D. in Economics
Advisor: Hakan Kara

Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey — 2024
M.A. in Economics
Advisor: Hakan Kara

Başkent University, Ankara, Turkey — 2022
B.A. in Economics
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Research Experience

Central Bank Losses as Private Sector Insurance — 2026–
Research Assistant to Oreste Tristani, Refet S. Gürkaynak, and Burçin Kısacıkoğlu.
Analyzed the effects of ECB quantitative-easing surprises on yield curves and systemic risk using event-study regressions and a Jarociński–Karadi policy/information decomposition.

U.S. Monetary Policy Identification and Financial-Market Transmission — 2026–
Research Assistant to Jonathan H. Wright, Refet S. Gürkaynak, and Eric T. Swanson.
Built a replicable Stata event study of FOMC announcements, comparing Acosta et al., Bauer–Swanson, and Jarociński–Karadi surprises across rates, Treasury yields, equities, and exchange rates.
Estimated proxy-SVAR impulse responses in MATLAB and compared Montiel Olea–Stock–Watson weak-instrument-robust and Swanson wild-bootstrap confidence intervals.

Fed Speech Analysis — 2024–
Research Assistant to Hakan Kara, Özer Karagedikli, and Ken Kuttner.
Merged Bloomberg forecast data with Federal Reserve speech records and economic surprises to study how speeches affect forecast revisions.

Trade & Sanctions — 2025
Research Assistant to Selman Erol; TÜBİTAK-funded.
Analyzed post-sanction rerouting in Russian trade using network models.

NYSE TAQ Data — 2024
Research Assistant to Taner Yiğit.
Collected, cleaned, and frequency-converted high-frequency trade (85M+ daily) and quote (1.2B+ daily) data; automated the pipeline in Python.

Master's Thesis (Advisor: Hakan Kara) — 2024
Spillovers from US Monetary Policy to Emerging Markets: The Role of Fundamentals.
Examined how US interest rate changes affect emerging-market bond yields, currencies, and macroeconomic fundamentals using hierarchical linear modelling.

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant

ECON 102: Introduction to Economics II (Head TA)	2022, 23, 24
ECON 108: Principles of Macroeconomics	2024
ECON 322: Monetary Economics	2025, 26
ECON 409: Contemporary Issues in Turkish Economy	2025
ECON 426: Applied Econometrics	2023, 25
ECON 455: Institutions and Development	2024

Academic Service

Departmental Erasmus+ Coordination Assistant — 2025–Present
Bilkent University, Department of Economics
Perform day-to-day coordination responsibilities in support of the Erasmus+ coordinator.

Work in Progress

Ph.D. Research (Advisor: Hakan Kara): Developed a three-country New Keynesian model to analyze direct and indirect U.S. monetary policy spillovers to emerging markets. Incorporates financial frictions, capital controls, and trade integration to capture heterogeneous transmission channels and assess cross-country differences in spillover magnitudes.

Honors & Awards

Teaching Assistant of the Year — 2023
by Department of Economics

Other

Research Interests: Emerging Markets, Central Banking, Monetary Economics, Spillovers

Programming: Stata, Python, Matlab, Mathematica, R, LaTeX

Languages: English, Turkish

References

Hakan Kara	Burçin Kısacıkoğlu	Refet Gürkaynak
Professor of Practice	Assistant Professor	Professor of Economics
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