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AREAS OF INTEREST Comparative Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Causal Inference, Measurement

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Fellow University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho, USA	07/2025 -
Research Social Scientist & Lab Manager University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, USA	09/2023 - 07/2025
Assistant Professor Yeditepe University, Istanbul, Turkey	11/2022 - 07/2025 On-leave: 09/2023 - 07/2025
Adjunct Lecturer Yeditepe University, Istanbul, Turkey	09/2022 - 10/2022
Insights Executive Twentify, Istanbul, Turkey	04/2022 - 07/2022
Postdoctoral Researcher Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey	02/2022 - 03/2022
Adjunct Lecturer Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey	10/2021 - 01/2022
Predocctoral Research Fellow University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois, USA	10/2019 - 06/2020
Doctoral Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey	08/2015 - 11/2020
Masters Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey	09/2013 - 07/2015

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in International Relations and Political Science Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey	11/2020
M.A. in International Relations Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey	07/2015
B.A. in Political Science and International Relations Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey	06/2013

MANUSCRIPTS

[6] **Erol, F.**, Micatka, N. K., & Ksiazkiewicz, A. (2026) Waking up to politics: How sleep quality relates to political participation. *Political Psychology*. DOI: 10.1111/pops.70124

[5] **Erol, F.**, Ecevit, Y. A., & Kocapınar, G. (2024). Polarization congruence and satisfaction with democracy: A multinational investigation. *Electoral Studies*. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2024.102796

[4] **Erol, F.** (2023). Threats and the conservative shift in public opinion: Comparative causal mediation analyses from Turkey. *Southeast European & Black Sea Studies*. DOI:

10.1080/14683857.2023.2189541

[3] Ksiazkiewicz, A., & **Erol, F.** (2022). Linking sleep, political ideology, and religious observance: A multi-national comparison. *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*, 34(3), edac020. DOI: 10.1093/ijpor/edac020

[2] Ksiazkiewicz, A., & **Erol, F.** (2022). Too tired to vote: A multi-national comparison of election turnout with sleep preferences and behaviors. *Electoral Studies*. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2022.102491

[1] **Erol, F.** (2022). Terrorism mortality salience manipulation: A causal mediation analysis. *Terrorism and Political Violence*. DOI: 10.1080/09546553.2022.2060081

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

[4] **Erol, F.** An accordion conjoint design for measuring selective information acquisition.

[3] **Erol, F.**, & Justwan, Florian. Bridging the gap: How mass-elite ideological and affective polarization congruence affects democratic attitudes.

[2] Ksiazkiewicz, A., & **Erol, F.** A longitudinal approach to examine chronotype in politics: A random-intercept cross-lagged panel analysis.

[1] **Erol, F.**, Groman, J., & Braithwaite, A. From conflict zone allies to welcome home, allies: The role of Afghan refugees' past collaboration with the U.S. military in forming pro-immigrant sentiment in the American public opinion.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

[8] Gonzalez, F., & **Erol, F.** Individual differences in structural connectivity and political ideology.

[7] **Erol, F.** Unraveling causal pathways: A cross-lagged ACE study of religious and political participation.

[6] **Erol, F.** Feeling political: Examining the impacts of musical mood induction on civic participation potential.

[5] **Erol, F.** Nothing good comes out of death? The effects of anthropocentric and ecocentric mortality salience on climate change beliefs and policy preferences.

[4] **Erol, F.**, Grillo, M., & Christman, Stephen D. Handedness and election turnout: A comparative political behavior research note.

[3] **Erol, F.** Political ideologies and polarization in the face of threats.

[2] **Erol, F.** Vote decision times and candidate personality traits in the U.S. presidential elections.

[1] Ari, E., & **Erol, F.** When to break the glass: Unpacking public support for emergency powers.

BOOKS

[2] Ksiazkiewicz, A., & **Erol, F.** (Publishing Agreement signed). Sleepy citizenship: The biopolitics of rest in American democracy. Oxford University Press (Series in Political Psychology).

[1] Schuler, P., & **Erol, F.**. In the shadows of the founder: How founding leaders shape post-colonial national narratives.

BOOK CHAPTERS

[1] Çarkoğlu, A., & **Erol, F.** (2021). A text-as-data study of political communication

in the 2018 Turkish elections. In A. Çarkoğlu & E. Kalaycıoğlu (Eds.), *Elections and public opinion in Turkey: Through the prism of the 2018 elections* (pp. 70-102). London: Routledge. DOI: 10.4324/9781003166047-5

WORKS IN TURKISH

[1] Çarkoğlu, A., Elçi, E., **Erol, F.**, & Paksoy, C. (2022). Popülizm teorileri ışığında Türkiye’de popülizmin tarihsel gelişimi: Siyasi partiler üzerine bir inceleme [The historical development of populism in Turkey in the light of populism theories: An analysis on political parties]. *Anadolu Üniversitesi Sosyal Bilimler Dergisi* [Anadolu University Journal of Social Sciences], 22(1), 323-348. DOI: 10.18037/ausbd.1095197

- **Note to the reader:** Extended abstract in English is on pages between 346 and 348.

OTHER WORKS

[1] European Social Survey (ESS). (2019). Welfare attitudes in Europe: Topline results from round 4 of the European social survey [Avrupa’da refah tutumları: Avrupa sosyal taraması (European social survey, ESS) 4. tur araştırmadan öne çıkan sonuçlar] (A. Çarkoğlu, & **F. Erol**, Translators). Available here.

PRESENT- ATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA): 2020, 2025

Association for Politics and the Life Sciences (APLS): 2021

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR): 2018

International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP): 2020, 2021

International Studies Association (ISA): 2016, 2017, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2026

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) 2026

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Social Scientist & Lab Manager at the University of Arizona:

[2] Assistance to the Arizona Voter Project (AVP) led by Christopher Weber to develop a research infrastructure for a robust and interactive data hub for democratic governance in Arizona as a pilot study. The AVP is aimed to have (i) a probability-based representative panel of Arizona voters, (ii) also accessing hard-to-reach demographic subgroups such as the native population and immigrants by a recently discovered snowball sampling technique in empirical political science research called respondent-driven sampling (RDS) (which also allows for unbiased statistical estimates), with (iii) digital trace data (tracking web browsing behavior on electronic devices, validating self-reported political behavior and to obtain respondents’ virtual information networks in real time), and (iv) usable interface for data analytics purposes to be of use in the academia, public, private, and third sectors, for data generation and visualization at several levels (individual, county, and state) by using cutting-edge techniques such as multilevel modeling with post-stratification.

[1] Assistance to the School of Government and Public Policy (SGPP) faculty members and graduate and undergraduate (honors thesis) students to design, collect, and analyse the observational and experimental studies (inclusive of complex designs in Qualtrics such as choice-based conjoint experiments and implicit association tests as well as physiological measures such as electrodermal activity), along with management and maintenance of the SGPP subject pool using SONA Systems.

Assistant Professor at Yeditepe University, Department of Political Science and International Relations:

[1] Together with Cengiz Erisen, founding of a research infrastructure (named Yeditepe Behavioral Sciences Laboratory) backed by an internal grant amounting to 270,734 TRY (10,136 USD as of August 1st, 2023). We intended to create this lab for behavioral and psychological research in political science using the typical nationally representative and student convenience surveys and survey experiments complemented by cutting-edge physiological measures (such as wearable smart watches tapping into heart rate variability, stress and respiration, and sleep cycle—related to various political attitudes and behavior).

Doctoral Research Assistanships at Koç University:

[8] Research Assistant to the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) Project *Populist Attitudes and Values Research in Turkey*

[7] Assistance to the Questionnaire Design and Scaling of the Turkish Voting Advice Application oypusulasi.org for the March 31, 2019 Local Elections in Istanbul, Turkey

[6] Grant Application to the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) to Start a Nation-Wide Survey Experiment on Personality Traits, Candidate Traits, and Political Participation

[5] Hand-coding of the Select 15 Turkish Newspapers' Front and Second Page News on Qualtrics between October 6-10, 2015 (before the November 1, 2015 General Elections) for the *Press-Party Parallelism in Turkey Project*

[4] Coding of the International Social Survey Programme (ISSP) 2014 Citizenship II Module Turkey Dataset into Stata

[3] Coding of the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) Module 5 Turkey Dataset into Stata

[2] Coding of the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) Module 4 Turkey Dataset into Stata

[1] Hand-coding of the Turkish Election Manifestos for the Manifesto Project Database (MARPOR) (June 7, 2015 General Elections; November 1, 2015 General Elections; June 24, 2018 General Elections; and Nationalist Action Party (MHP) 1954, 1961, 1965, 1969, 1995, 2002)

Masters Research Assistanships at Bilkent University:

[1] Grant Application to the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) to Start a Nation-Wide Associational Survey on Public Opinion on Turkish Foreign Policy.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Idaho:

[3] Spring 2026: POLS 5040-02 Special Topics: Decision-Making in Politics (Graduate)

[2] Spring 2026: POLS 3850 Political Psychology (Undergraduate)

[1] Fall 2025: POLS 4740 Public Opinion and Political Behavior (Undergraduate)

Research Social Scientist & Lab Manager at the University of Arizona:

[1] Spring 2025: POL 397B The Origins of Data in Politics and Policy (Undergraduate)

[1] Spring 2024: POL 297B The Origins of Data in Politics and Policy (Undergraduate)

Assistant Professor at Yeditepe University, Department of Political Science and International Relations:

[7] Spring 2023: POLS 624 Quantitative Methods and Statistics (Graduate)

[6] Spring 2023: PSIR 101 Introduction to Political Science (Undergraduate)

[5] Spring 2023: PSIR 480 Applied Research in Political Science (Undergraduate)

[4] Spring 2023: RSCH 410 Scientific Research Methods (Undergraduate)

[3] Fall 2022: PSIR 101 Introduction to Political Science (Undergraduate)

[2] Fall 2022: PSIR 251 Analytical Reading and Writing in Social Sciences (Undergraduate)

[1] Fall 2022: RSCH 410 Scientific Research Methods (Undergraduate)

Part-time Instructor at Istanbul Bilgi University, Department of International Relations:

[1] Fall 2021: IR 408 Elections and Party Politics (Undergraduate)

Doctoral Teaching Assistanships at Koç University:

[6] INTL 101 Introduction to Political Science (Undergraduate)

[5] INTL 201 Research Methods (Undergraduate)

[4] INTL 501 Research Methods (Graduate)

[3] INTL 601 Quantitative Research Methods (Graduate)

[2] SOCI 301 Research Methods in Sociology (Undergraduate)

[1] SOSC 116 Challenges Facing Young Democracies (Undergraduate)

Masters Teaching Assistanships at Bilkent University:

[5] IR 227 Research Methods in International Relations (Undergraduate)

[4] IR 333 Foreign Policy Analysis (Undergraduate)

[3] IR 338 Politics of International Economy (Undergraduate)

[2] IR 349 International Relations in Movies (Undergraduate)

[1] IR 4109 Issues for Turkey in Global Political Economy (Undergraduate)

**EXTRA
TRAINING**

[8] **International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) 2021 Summer Academy (Virtual), ISPP** **07/2021**

- Attendee

[7] **Social ComQuant Fall 2020 Workshops (Virtual), GESIS - Leibniz-Institute**

- for the Social Sciences - Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey **2020**
- Digital Trace Data in Social Science
- [6] **PS 328: Introduction to Biology and Politics**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Political Science, Urbana, Illinois, U.S. **2020**
- Auditor
- [5] **Political Psychology Lab**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Political Science, Urbana, Illinois, U.S. **2019/20**
- Attendee
- [4] **Winter School in Methods and Techniques**, University of Bamberg - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Bamberg, Germany **2019**
- Maths Refresher
 - Automated Web Data Collection with R
 - Methods of Modern Causal Analysis Based on Observational Data
- [3] **PSYCH 556: Selected Topics in Psychology**, Koç University, Department of Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey **2017/18**
- Structural Equation Modeling
- [2] **ECON 500**, Koç University, Department of Economics, Istanbul, Turkey **2016/17**
- Experimental Economics
- [1] **Summer School in Methods and Techniques**, Central European University - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Budapest, Hungary **2016**
- Introduction to R
 - Applied Multilevel Regression Modelling

SCHOLARSHIPS

- [3] **Graduate Scholarship**, Koç University, International Relations and Political Science Ph.D. Program, Istanbul, Turkey **2015/20**
- [2] **Graduate Scholarship**, Bilkent University, International Relations M.A. Program, Ankara, Turkey **2013/15**
- [1] **Undergraduate Scholarship**, Turkish Prime Ministry **2008/13**

RESEARCH GRANTS

- [7] **Data Access Grant (4,100 USD)**, Institute for Modeling, Collaboration, and Innovation at University of Idaho **2025**
- [6] **Research Expense Support (3,500 USD)**, Institute for Humane Studies at George Mason University **2025**
- [5] **Predocctoral Fellowship for Dissertation Research (14,400 USD)**, The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) **2019/20**
- [4] **Ph.D. Dissertation Research Grant (11,520 USD, Declined)**, Fulbright Turkey **2019**
- [3] **Extra Training Grant (6,500 TRY ~ 1,236 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2019**
- [2] **Research Grant (1,500 TRY ~ 285 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2018**

**TRAVEL
GRANTS**

- [1] **Extra Training Grant (4,000 TRY ~ 1,137 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2016**
- [17] **Travel Grant (1,800 USD)**, The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) **2023**
- [16] **The Fee Waiver Scholarship (265 USD, Complimentary Conference Registration)**, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) **2023**
- [15] **Developing Nations Scholarship (270 USD, Complimentary 2 Years MPSA Membership)**, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) **2023**
- [14] **Early Career Committee (ECC) Travel Award (75 USD)**, International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) **2021**
- [13] **Developing Nations Scholarship (125 USD, Complimentary 2 Years Professional MPSA Membership; 75 USD, Conference Registration)**, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) **2021**
- [12] **Travel Grant (220 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2020**
- [11] **Travel Grant (1,800 USD, Canceled due to the COVID-19 outbreak)**, International Studies Association (ISA) **2020**
- [10] **Travel Grant (3,500 TRY ~ 590 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2019**
- [9] **Travel Grant (3,500 TRY ~ 590 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2019**
- [8] **The Fee Waiver Scholarship (110 USD, Complimentary Conference Registration)**, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) **2019**
- [7] **Developing Nations Scholarship (80 USD, Complimentary 2 Years Graduate Student MPSA Membership)**, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) **2019**
- [6] **Travel Grant (1,000 TRY ~ 190 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2018**
- [5] **Travel Grant (2,500 TRY ~ 475 USD)**, Koç University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2018**
- [4] **Travel Grant (500 USD)**, International Studies Association (ISA) **2018**
- [3] **Travel Grant (500 USD)**, International Studies Association (ISA) **2017**
- [2] **Travel Grant (2,500 TRY ~ 663 USD)**, Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities **2017**
- [1] **Travel Grant (500 USD)**, International Studies Association (ISA) **2016**

MEMBERSHIPS American Political Science Association (APSA)
Washington, USA

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
Colchester, United Kingdom

International Studies Association (ISA)
Storrs, Connecticut, USA

International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)
Columbus, North Carolina, USA

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
Bloomington, Indiana, USA

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA)
Washington, USA

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE **Governing Council Member (2025-2028) for:** Association for Politics and the Life Sciences (APLS)

(Early Career Research) Editorial Board Member for: Political Psychology

Referee for: American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, Political Psychology, Electoral Studies, Politics and the Life Sciences, Psychological Methods, Comparative Political Studies, International Migration, PLoS ONE, Frontiers in Political Science, International Criminology

Proposal Review Committee Member: the Association for Politics and the Life Sciences (APLS) 2024 Research Grants

Panel Chair for: MPSA 2021 (Infectious Diseases, Pandemics, and Vaccinations); MPSA 2023 (Political Extremism); MPSA 2024 (Political Psychology of Status Threat); MPSA 2026 (An Experiments Sampler)

Panel Discussant for: MPSA 2021 (Infectious Diseases, Pandemics, and Vaccinations); MPSA 2023 (Political Extremism); MPSA 2024 (Political Psychology of Status Threat); MPSA 2026 (An Experiments Sampler; The Politics of Time)

LANGUAGES **Turkish:** Native

English: Fluent

SOFTWARE **Advanced:** Microsoft Office, Qualtrics Survey Design, R (Preferred), STATA

Medium: JavaScript, Python, Docker, ArcGIS, QGIS, AMOS, \LaTeX , Mplus, SPSS

REFERENCES Available upon request.