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CURRICULUM VITAE (Updated November 2024)

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**AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

**Areas of Specialization:** feminist philosophy, social and political philosophy

**Areas of Competence:** ethics, philosophy of language, social ontology

**EDUCATION**

- 2025  
(expected)     **PhD, Philosophy**  
Syracuse University, NY, USA  
Thesis Title: ‘An Existentialist Account of Linguistic Agency’  
Committee: Hille Paakkunainen (Chair), Kenneth Baynes, Amandine Catala
- 2015     **MA, Philosophy**  
Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey  
Thesis Title: ‘Foundations of Normativity’  
Committee: Irem Kurtsal Steen (Chair), Kenneth Westphal, Jack Woods
- 2013     **BA, Political Science and International Relations (Honors)**  
**BA, Philosophy (Honors)**  
Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey
- Spring 2012     **Erasmus Program, Political Science**  
Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris, France
- 2008     **Lycée de Galatasaray, Istanbul, Turkey**  
French Baccalaureate

**SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

**Dissertation Fellowship**

Humanities Center, Syracuse University, awarded to two graduate students from all humanities disciplines annually: 2023-2024

**Graduate Student Award**

American Philosophical Association: 2023, 2024

**Travel Grant**

Graduate Student Organization, Syracuse University: 2022, 2023, 2024

**Summer Research Grant**

Philosophy Department, Syracuse University: 2016, 2020, 2022, 2023

## RESEARCH

**Dissertation:** The standard account of linguistic agency in linguistic justice scholarship focuses on the instrumental role of language in communication and identity. Drawing from linguistics and feminist philosophy, I develop an alternative account which takes the articulation process as an integral part of linguistic agency and captures our intimate relationship with words themselves. This new perspective allows us to identify certain restrictions that nonnative speakers are prone to experience such as cognitive noise and alienation, which poses an impediment to their flourishing as linguistic agents and presents a new problem for linguistic justice theories. It also shows why, as opposed to the general opinion, new technologies will not solve all instances of linguistic injustice.

**Under revision:**

A paper about muffling in nonnative speaking

**Draft:**

“The Concept of (Non)native Speaker”

“Inner Speech and Linguistic Justice”

“An Existentialist Response to Babel Fish”

**In press:**

“On the Duality of Dispossession: Scenes from Istanbul”, co-authored MA thesis of İpek Hamzaoğlu for the Critical Studies at the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, 2018.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE (in person unless specified)

**Teaching Mentor**, Syracuse University

University wide TA Orientation in 2022, 2021, 2020 (competitive selection)

**Primary Instructor**, Department of Philosophy, Syracuse University

**Social and Political Philosophy** (Fall 2024, Fall 2020 Hybrid, Fall 2019)

**Philosophy of Feminism** (Spring 2023; Spring 2021 Synchronous Online; Summer 2021 and 2023 Asynchronous Online)

**Ethics and Media Professions** (Summer 2022 Asynchronous Online)

**Philosophy of Love & Sex** (Winterlude 2021 Synchronous Online)

**Introduction to Moral Theory** (Spring 2020)

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Philosophy, Syracuse University

**Ethics and Media Professions** (W. Osborne, Fall 2022; A. Faller, Fall 2021)

**Introduction to Political Thought** (D. Rasmussen, Spring 2022; G. Morgan, Fall 2018)

**Introduction to Logic** (M. Heller, Spring 2019)

**Ethics and Contemporary Issues** (L. Thomas, Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

**Introduction to Ethics** (S. Gorovitz, Spring 2016)

**Introduction to Metaphysics & Epistemology** (R. Van Gulick, Fall 2015)

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Philosophy, Bogazici University

**Introduction to Logic II** (I. Inan, Spring 2015)

**Introduction to Logic I** (I. Inan, Fall 2014)

**Critical Thinking** (K. Soyhun, Spring 2014)

## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS (\* refereed, †invited)

### “The Concept of (Non)native Speaking”

Manchester University, New Directions in Linguistic Justice, September 2024\*

International Social Ontology Society Conference, July 2024\*

North American Society for Social Philosophy, July 2024\*

Bogazici University, ‘Social Ontology Faces the Future’, June 2024\*

### “Cognitive Noise and Agency in Nonnative Speaking”

Salzburg University, ‘Inner Speech and Moral Cognition’, June 2024†

Galway University, ‘Mapping Attention: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow’, April 2024\*

Utrecht University, ‘Communication, Language, and Agency’, September 2023\*

### “Muting and Linguistic Justice”

APA Central Division (Symposium), January 2024\*

### “Phenomenology of Nonnative Speaking”

Linguistic Justice Society, March 2023†

APA Eastern Division (Colloquium), April 2023\*

New Orleans Philosophical Conference, LA, November 2022\*

Practical Philosophy Working Group, Istanbul, December 2019†

### “Cosmopolitanism and The Duty to Know”

University of Minho, Meetings on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Braga, June 2015\*

## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Humanities Center, February 2024, “An Existentialist Account of Linguistic Agency”

Philosophy Department ABD Workshop, November 2023, “Muting and Linguistic Justice”

Philosophy Department Working Papers, April 2022, “Muting and Linguistic Justice”,

Philosophy Department Working Papers, October 2019, “Nonnative Speaking”

Philosophy Department WAGM Working Papers, October 2018, “Normativity of Concepts”

Philosophy Department WAGM Working Papers, October 2016, “The Duty to Know”

## INVITED PUBLIC TALKS

### “Linguistic Alienation”

Halbuki Language Initiative, November 2024

### “Phenomenology of Nonnative Speaking”

Boston University Minorities and Philosophy Talks, Boston, MA, May 2021

Imbala Cultural Center, ‘Language, Politics, and Identity’, Jerusalem, January 2021

İnsancil Hegel Reading Group, Istanbul, March 2020

## COMMENTARIES

### “A Defense of Silencing Claim”, Yuna Won

APA Eastern Division, January 2025

“Chicanx Triangulation: Distinct from Double Consciousness?”, Leonel Alvarez Ceja  
The Creighton Club Conference, October 2024

“Representations of OCD in Moral Philosophy”, Jared Smith  
APA Central Division, February 2022

“Ascriptivism and Inclusion: Gender Norms and Gender Roles”, Rowan Bell  
Syracuse University Philosophy Department ABD Workshop, December 2021

### SERVICE WORK (\* indicates paid position)

**Co-organizer**, [Linguistic Justice Society](#), 2022 - present

**Co-organizer**, [Barcelona Principles for a Globally Inclusive Philosophy](#), 2021 - present

**Reviewer**, Philosophical Psychology

**President\* (elected)**, SU Philosophy Graduate Student Organization, 2022 - 2023

**Organizer\***, SU Philosophy Women and Gender Minorities, 2021 - 2022

**Co-Representative\***, SU MAP Chapter, 2019 - 2020

**Representative\***, SU MAP Chapter, 2018 - 2019

**Co-Organizer**, SU Philosophy Women’s Group Working Papers, 2015 - 2016

**Co-Organizer\***, SU Philosophy Graduate Conference, 2015 - 2016

### PROGRAMS ATTENDED (Competitive Selection)

The Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy Summer School (2018)

Law on the Bosphorus: Current Trends in Human Rights Law (2013)

Global Relations Forum Young Scholars Seminars (2012 - 2013)

### LANGUAGES

**Turkish** (Native), **English** (Fluent), **French** (Fluent)

### GRADUATE COURSES (\* indicates audit)

#### **Social and Political Theory**

Alienation\* (Keshav Singh), Social Philosophy of Language\* (Luvell Anderson), 19th Century German Political Philosophy (Frederick Beiser), Oppression and Freedom (Kara Richardson, Kenneth Baynes), Constitutional Law (Nathan A. Sales), International Security (Brian Taylor), Pro Seminar: Moral and Political Philosophy (David Sobel), Modern Foundations of Justice (Kenneth Westphal), Arendt\* (Zeynep Gambetti), Global Justice (Yildiz Silier)

#### **Language, Epistemology, Metaphysics, Mind**

Concepts\* (Kevan Edwards), Metaphysics of Ethics\* (Ben Bradley, Kris McDaniel), Metaphysics (Kris McDaniel), Powers and Laws of Nature (Kim Frost), Pro Seminar: History of Philosophy (Frederick Beiser), Pro Seminar: LEMM (Janice Dowell), Philosophy of Action (Kim Frost), Philosophy of Mind: Free Will (Derk Pereboom), Epistemic Normativity (Nathaniel Sharadin), Logic and Language (Janice Dowell), Metaethics (Irem Kurtsal Steen), Rationalities (Berna Kilinc), Philosophical Problems (Ilhan Inan), Modal Logic (Ali Karatay)

## REFERENCES

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