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## Education

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(ongoing)	Ph.D.	LEIDEN UNIVERSITY – Faculty of Humanities, Institute for Area Studies Specializations: Middle Eastern Studies, Persian & Central Asian Studies
2012	M.A.	INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON – Central Eurasian Studies Specialization: Turkic & Iranic Languages
2008	B.A. <i>cum laude</i>	UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO – Linguistics

## Employment History

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2018 – present	LEIDEN UNIVERSITY – Doctoral Researcher Leiden Institute for Area Studies
2015 – 2018	BOĞAZIÇI UNIVERSITY – Lecturer Department of Turkish Language and Literature
2012 – 2017	INDIANA UNIVERSITY – Turkish Language Instructor Summer Language Workshop
2010 – 2015	INDIANA UNIVERSITY – Editor & Linguistic Consultant Center for Languages of the Central Asian Region (CeLCAR)

## Language Proficiencies

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<i>Native</i>	English
<i>Near Native</i>	French, Turkish
<i>Advanced</i>	Dutch, Persian, Uyghur, Uzbek
<i>Intermediate</i>	Greek, Kurmanji, Ladino, Levantine Arabic, Mandarin, Moroccan Arabic
<i>Basic</i>	German, Laz, Romani, Russian, Spanish, Yiddish
<i>Reading Proficiency</i>	Chaghatay, Classical Arabic, Classical Persian, Khwarazmian Turkic, Middle Kipchak, Old Anatolian Turkish, Old Uyghur, Ottoman, Qarakhanid
<i>Some Reading Ability</i>	Classical Armenian, Classical Chinese, Classical Mongolian, Koine Greek, Latin, Middle Persian

## Certifications

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2017	<i>Modern Greek: C1 (all skills) with “very good” distinction</i> Greek Language Center, Certification Exam for Knowledge of Greek
2007	<i>Mandarin Speaking: Advanced-Mid</i> American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages, Oral Proficiency Interview

## Computer Programming & Markup Proficiencies

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*Proficient:* PHP, JavaScript (ES6), HTML5, CSS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

*Familiar:* Python, Perl, Lua

## Grants, Awards & Honors

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- 2018 ERASMUS+ MOBILITY GRANT  
European Commission
- 2016 AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING (EĞİTİMDE ÜSTÜN BAŞARI)  
Boğaziçi University
- 2012 FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES GRANT  
Inner Asian and Uralic National Resource Center
- 2012 FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES GRANT (Declined)  
Islamic Studies Program, Indiana University
- 2011 FULBRIGHT STUDENT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP  
Institute of International Education
- 2011 FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES GRANT  
Middle Eastern Studies Center, Ohio State University
- 2010 FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES GRANT  
Center for the Study of Global Change, Indiana University
- 2009 CRITICAL LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP  
US State Department, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
- 2009 FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES GRANT  
Inner Asian and Uralic National Resource Center

## Academic Service

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- 2020 – present PARTY CHAIRPERSON, PhDoc Party  
University Council, Leiden University
- 2018 – present MEMBER  
LIAS-LUCSoR PhD Council, Leiden University
- 2028 – 2019 CO-ORGANISER, Leiden Sociolinguistics Lecture Series  
Leiden University Center for Linguistics, Leiden University
- 2018 CAPSTONE PROJECT COACH  
Undergraduate Honours College, Leiden University
- 2012 – 2013 PRESIDENT  
Association of Central Eurasian Students, Indiana University
- 2010 – 2011 SECRETARY  
Association of Central Eurasian Students, Indiana University