Gizem Kaftan

Visiting Researcher

Education

-	LIDUCATION		
•	Boston University Ph.D. in Political Science, Fields: Comparative Politics and Quantitative Methods	Boston, MA September 2019 – May 2025	
•	Northeastern University Master in International Affairs, Concentration: International Public Policy	Boston, MA September 2017 – May 2019	
•	Koc University Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Sociology, Double Major	Istanbul, TR September 2012 – May 2017	

PUBLICATIONS

Kaftan, Gizem (2021). Flexible Nation: Turkish Nation Under Justice and Development Party (AKP) Rule. Nationalities Papers, 50(6), 1232 - 1244. https://doi.org/10.1017/nps.2021.40
Kaftan, Gizem (2020). The Turkish Women's Movement in Abeyance. Journal of International Women's Studies, 21(6), 184-195. https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/vol21/iss6/11
Moghadam, Valentine M., & Kaftan, Gizem (2019). Right-wing Populisms North and South: Varieties and Gender Dynamics. Women's Studies International Forum, 75. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.wsif.2019.102244

NON-ACADEMIC & NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Lighthouse Reports (2021). EU Arms Exports: This Is Where European Arms Really End Up https://euarms.com/landing

WORKING PAPERS

Shaming or Taxing? Enforcing Norm Compliance in the European Union (Working Paper) Enforcing Equality: Women and LGBTQ+ Rights in the European Union Member Countries (Working Paper)

Conference Papers & Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2022, 2023
Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2022
Populism Seminar	2022
Turkish-American Political Science Association Meeting	2022
Association for the Study of Nationalism Annual Meeting	2020, 2021, 2023
Midwestern Political Science Association Conference	2020, 2021
American Public Health Association Annual Meeting	2019
American Society of Criminology 75 th Annual Meeting	2019
International Conference on Eurasian Politics and Society	2019
Global Studies Association Conference	2018
Koç University Law Club International Symposium	2016

INVITED TALKS

Northeastern University Center for Advanced Teaching and Learning Through Research (CATLR) Conference, New Designs Section on Pop-Up Courses: Why, What, How?, Advantages and Challenges of the Pop-Up Course on Brexit.

February 2023 – July 2023

Warsaw, PL

- **Boston University**
 - Data Research Analyst • Analyzed data and created visualizations in R by using the Arab-barometer Survey, V-Dem Institute Expert Survey, and Ethnic Power Relations (EPR) survey.

Boston University

- Graduate Research Consultant
 - Conducted research on operations and management expenditures of the defense companies in the European Union.
 - Created a data set by using NATO and European Union defense databases to estimate the size of the aftermarket services for military weapons.
 - Coauthored a report on operations and maintenance expenditure of European countries.

Northeastern University

Graduate Research Assistant & Project Manager

- Conducted qualitative coding of the immigrant interview transcripts.
- Wrote short memos on topics related to sanctuary cities, safe spaces, and immigration.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Boston University

- Graduate Teaching Fellow for The Politics of the Wire
 - Held weekly office hours to improve students' understanding of the class topics.
 - Graded and provided comments for exams and bi-monthly projects focusing on urban life and housing projects.

Boston University

Section Leader for Introduction to Public Policy

• Led three discussion sections every week to familiarize students with real-life case studies related to American public policy.

Boston University

- Co-Instructor for European Politics
 - Taught classes on populism in the European Union and electoral systems of European countries.
 - Held weekly office hours to answer students' questions.

Boston University

Graduate Teaching Fellow for Data Science for Politics

- Held weekly office hours to help students by using R.
- Graded and provided comments for weekly homework assignments by using the Gradescope interface.

Boston University

- Graduate Teaching Fellow for Quantitative Methods I
 - Taught weekly R labs to graduate students by using R Studio.
 - Taught using IAT_FXto graduate students by using Overleaf.
 - Graded the weekly homework assignments by using the Blackboard interface.

Northeastern University

Graduate Teaching Assistant for Brexit Class

- Presented the European Union's integration rounds to a class of 20.
- Created scenarios on Brexit and its effects on nationalism and the economy in the United Kingdom with a total of 9 students.
- Graded and provided comments for the students' scenarios.

Boston, MA

September-December 2021

Boston, MA December 2018-May 2019

September – December 2022

Boston, MA

September – December 2021

Boston, MA January - May 2021

September – December 2020

Boston, MA January – April 2019

Boston, MA

August-September 2020

Boston, MA

January – May 2022

Boston, MA

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Boston University Office of the Provost

- Data Science & Analytics Intern
 - Analyzed a novel data set using SPSS on a new educational program implemented in 2017 to evaluate the program's performance.
 - Created presentations on the new educational program using Power BI, Tableau, and Microsoft PowerPoint.
 - Designed graphics using the Qualtrics Survey Software and wrote new survey questions to measure student satisfaction with the new educational program.
 - Analyzed open-ended questions using NVivo and other qualitative analysis tools.

Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate

Education & Visitor Experience Intern

- Conducted research on Senate Border Security & Immigration Subcommittee by using the epistemic communities approach.
- Conducted research on Youth Movements in the US for a new exhibit that will be launched in the coming year.
- Conducted research on Edward M. Kennedy's life by using primary sources for a new exhibit.
- Composed brief biographies of notable historical and political individuals.
- Educated visitors from different age groups and nationalities by giving guided tours on the US history and Senate.

APCO Worldwide

Government Consulting Intern

- Wrote reports about Gulf and Middle Eastern countries by using media and academic databases for presentations in Turkey.
- Planned Mentorship 360 project's marketing campaign and used social media marketing programs to increase project visibility.
- Created a list of potential sponsors and speakers for Mentorship 360 by conducting research and using Microsoft Office Excel to track invitations.
- Conducted market research, media research, and media reporting by using different media management tools for our clients.

SCHOOL SERVICE

Boston University, Boston, MA	September 2019-present
Graduate Student Organization Representative	
Boston University, Boston, MA	July 2020-July 2023
Research in Comparative Politics Workshop Student Coordinator	
Boston University, Boston, MA	August 2019-December 2022
Graduate Student Speaker Series Co-Coordinator	
Boston University, Boston, MA	September 2021-May 2022
Social Sciences Curriculum Committee	
Boston University, Boston, MA	September 2020-May 2021
Academic Policy Committee	
Boston University, Boston, MA	September 2019-June 2020
Graduate Academic Affairs Committee	
Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey	September 2016-May 2017
Freshmen Student Mentor	

Boston, MA June – August 2021

May – September 2018

Istanbul, TR June – September 2016

Boston, MA

Service to the Profession

Reviewer: Women's Studies International Forum, Journal of Contemporary European Studies

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate, Boston, MA	October 2018
Kid Convention Volunteer	
French Cultural Center, Boston, MA	July 2018
Check-In & Breakdown Volunteer	
Oy ve Otesi , Istanbul, Turkey	November 2015
Election Observer	

Skills

Languages: Polish (Intermediate), French (Intermediate), Turkish (Native), English (Advanced) Computer: R, Python, Stata, SPSS, LATEX, Microsoft Office, Visone, UCINet

Additional Methods Training

ICPSR Network Analysis II: Advanced Topics, University of Michigan	July-August 2023
ICPSR Data Science and Text Analysis, University of Michigan	July-August 2023
ICPSR Introduction to Python, University of Michigan	July-August 2023
Research Computing Workshop: Python Track, Boston University	January 2021
Research Computing Workshop: Matlab Track, Boston University	January 2021
ISSR Text-as-Data Workshop, University of Massachusetts Amherst	July 2020

November 2019

TEACHING WORKSHOPS

Facilitating Difficult Conversations in the Classroom, **Boston University**

Honors & Awards

Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future Summer	Fellowship June – August 2022
Boston University, Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award	May 2021
Boston University, GRS Summer Fellowship	May - September 2020
Northeastern University, Global Impact Scholarship	September 2017 – May 2019
European Union, Erasmus Scholarship	January – May 2015
Turkish Science Foundation, Social Sciences Scholarship	September 2014 – August 2017
Vehbi Koç Scholar Award	May 2013, 2016, 2017
Koç University, Full-merit Scholarship	September 2012 – August 2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA)	Since 2022
American Political Science Association (APSA)	Since 2022
Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN)	Since 2020