

Bahar Aldanmaz

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EDUCATION

2025 (expected) Ph.D. Sociology, Boston University

- Graduate Certificate in Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies

2017 M.A. Social Sciences, University of Chicago

2015 B.A. Sociology & Psychology, Koç University

2014 Erasmus Program, Tilburg University

MAJOR RESEARCH FIELDS

Gender, masculinities, intimacy, organizations

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2017- 2019

Kadir Has University Gender and Women's Studies Research Center

Research & Education Specialist

- "Systemic Action for Gender Equality" (SAGE), funded by European Commission under the HORIZON 2020 (PI: Prof. Dr. Mary Lou O'Neil)
- Designed Peer-to-Peer training on dating violence and trained 30 peer educators
- "Examining Masculinity and Femininity in Turkey" (PI: Prof. Dr. Mary Lou O'Neil)
- Created database of sexist Turkish words for the application called "Equal Dictionary" designed by the Arçelik Company

2016-2017

University of Chicago, M.A Thesis Research

- "Young Turkish Women between Modern and Traditional: Attitudes Regarding Marriage, Sex and, Equality"

2015-2016

Kadir Has University Gender and Women's Studies Research Center

Research Assistant

- "Legal but Not Necessarily Available: Abortion Services at State Hospitals in Turkey" (PI: Prof. Dr. Mary Lou O'Neil)
- Mapping Policies on Sexual and Gender Based Harassment and Assault: Toolkit for Universities in Turkey (PI: Prof. Dr. Mary Lou O'Neil)

2014-2015

Koç University

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Positive Youth Development (PERGEL) Project (PI: Prof. Dr. Çiğdem Kağıtçıbaşı)
 - Intercultural Engagement Project (PI: Prof. Dr. Çiğdem Kağıtçıbaşı)
 - Preparation of the Autonomy and Relatedness Scale (PI: Prof. Dr. Çiğdem Kağıtçıbaşı)
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LEADERSHIP AND INITIATIVES

2017-

[We Need to Talk Initiative](#)

Partner

- The initiative aims to empower rural women in Turkey through providing them access to sanitary materials and to destroy the stigma around menstruation.

2017- 2019

[United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network](#)

Local Pathways Fellow

- Completed two fieldworks in two cities and six rural areas with the We Need to Talk Initiative.
- Raised \$1,000 for further fieldwork of the We Need to Talk Initiative.
- As one of the 60 fellows worldwide, presented my work at the 9th World Urban Forum in Kuala Lumpur.

2016-2017 **Empower Women, United Nations Women**
Champion for Change

- Advocated for women's economic empowerment both online and in my local community

2016-2017 **Resources for the Sexual Violence and Prevention at the University of Chicago**
Peer Educator

- Facilitated workshops on acquaintance rape, rape culture, gender, sexuality, assault, and consent

February- March 2016 **Project MULAN at AIESEC Navi Mumbai/India**
Volunteer

- Empowered underprivileged women via educational outreach
- Worked with children for their emotional development

2013-2015 **Turkish Women's International Network (TURKISHWIN)**

Campus Leader

- Promoted and marketed TURKISHWIN on campus and through social media
- Attended meetings and assist the leadership team
- Completed the mentoring program

2014-2015 **Koç University Women in Business Club**

Cofounder

- Organized events in order to create a sisterhood network at Koç University

2012-2013 **Women Entrepreneurs Association of Turkey (KAGİDER)**

Event Coordinator

- Coordinated the Third International Women Entrepreneurship and Leadership Summit 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2014-2015 **Koç University**

Teaching Assistant

- Worked as a teaching assistant for the Statistics course
- Managed the problem session classes every week

2012-2014 **Koç University Office of Teaching and Learning**

Academic Tutor

- Tutored and mentored students in Communications, Psychology and Statistics

PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS

Aldanmaz B., Carkoglu A. (2018, May). Building a Healthy Relationship-friendly Campus. Presented at the Gender and Education Conference in Istanbul, Turkey.

Aldanmaz B. (2018, March). Young Turkish Women between Modern and Traditional: Attitudes Regarding Marriage, Sex and, Equality. Presented at the Ferhunda Özbay Memorial Conference: Family, Marriage & Women's Employment in Turkey, Istanbul, Turkey.

O'Neil, M., **Aldanmaz B.**, Quirant Quiles R., Kılınc F.R., (2016, October). Legal but Not Necessarily Available: Abortion Services at State Hospitals in Turkey. Kadir Has University, Gender and Women's Studies Research Center.

Batista, R. M., Vonasch, A. J., **Aldanmaz, B.**, Baumeister, R. F., & Kagitçibasi, C. (2015, March). Meanings of Life Across Cultures: Five Needs for a Meaningful Life. Poster presented at the International Convention of Psychological Science, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

REFERENCES

Available upon request.