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Education

Ph.D. Development Sociology
Cornell University, August 1991

M.A. Cultural Anthropology
City University of New York, Graduate Center (CUNY), May 1986

B.A. Cultural Anthropology
Stanford University, May 1982

Current Interests

Oral history, memory studies, European and Middle Eastern ethnography, nationalism and minorities, youth and childhood, subjectivity

Work Experience

Professor
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Cultural Studies Program, Sabancı University
June 1998- present

Director, Oral History Project
Economic and Social History Foundation, Istanbul, 1995-1996

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, 1992-1994

Publications

Articles

“Remembering Smyrna/Izmir: Shared History, Shared Trauma.” History and Memory 20, 2 (Fall/Winter 2008): 106-127.

“Strong as Steel, Fragile as a Rose: A Turkish Jewish Witness to the Twentieth Century.” Jewish Social Studies 12,1 (Fall 2005): 167-189.

“Fragmented in Space: The Oral History Narrative of an Arab Christian from Antioch, Turkey.” Global Networks: A Journal of Transnational Affairs. 4, 3 (July 2004): 285-297.

“Trauma, Narrative and Silence: The Military Journal of a Jewish ‘Soldier’ in Turkey during the Greco-Turkish War.” Turcica: Revue d’Etudes Turques 35 (2003): 291-313.

“Remembering to Forget: Sabbateanism, National Identity and Subjectivity in Turkey.” Comparative Studies in Society and History 44, 1 (January 2002): 137-158.

“Embodied Elders: Space and Subjectivity in the Music of Metin-Kemal Kahraman.” Middle Eastern Studies 38, 1 (January 2002): 89-109.

“Metin-Kemal Kahraman’ın Müziği: Yaşlı Kuşağın Belleği Yoluyla Dersimli Kimliğinin Yeniden Keşfi.” (The Music of Metin-Kemal Kahraman: Rediscovering Dersim’s Identity Through the Memory of the Elderly) Toplum ve Bilim 92 (Spring 2002): 163-175.

“Object or Subject? The Paradox of ‘Youth’ in Turkey.” International Journal of Middle East Studies 33 (3) (August 2001): 411-432.

“Kızlara Fırsat Yok: Bir Yaşamöyküsü Anlatısının Düşündürdükleri.” (No Chance for Women: Reflections on an Oral History Narrative) Toplum ve Bilim 82 (Fall 1999): 211-219.

“Gülümser’s Story: Life History Narratives, Memory and Belonging in Turkey.” New Perspectives on Turkey. 20 (Spring 1999): 1-26.

Books

“Özgürüm Ama Mecburiyet Var”: Diyarbakırlı ve Muğlalı Gençler Anlatıyor (“I am Free But I am Committed”: Youth from Diyarbakir and Muğla Speak). İstanbul: İletişim Press, 2013. ISBN 9789750511592
<http://www.iletisim.com.tr/kitap/%C3%B6zg%C3%BCr%C3%BCm-ama-mecburiyet-var-1959.aspx>

Speaking to One Another: Personal Memories of the Past in Armenia and Turkey. Bonn: dvv international, 2010. ISBN 9783885137801
http://speakingtooneanother.org/assets/uploaded/Speaking_to_One_Another.pdf-2010.12.13.pdf

Birbirimizle Konuşmak: Türkiye ve Ermenistan’da Kişisel Bellek Anlatıları. Bonn: dvv international, 2010. ISBN 9783885137795
http://www.speakingtooneanother.org/assets/uploaded/Birbirimizle_Konusmak.pdf-2010.12.13.pdf

‘Ben Kimim?’ Türkiye’de Sözlü Tarih, Kimlik ve Öznellik (Who am I? Oral History, Identity and Subjectivity in Turkey). İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2004 (fourth edition, 2011). ISBN 9789750502699
<http://www.iletisim.com.tr/kitap/ben-kimim-1096.aspx>

İstanbul’da Hatırlamak ve Unutmak: Birey, Bellek ve Aidiyet (Remembering and Forgetting in İstanbul: Self, Memory and Belonging). İstanbul: Ekonomik ve Toplumsal Tarih Vakfı, 1999 (second edition, 2011) ISBN 9753331134
<http://www.idefix.com/kitap/istanbulda-hatirlamak-ve-unutmak-leyla-neyzi/tanim.asp?sid=VY2FU46WZ00VCX8LULGE>

Küçük Hanım’dan Rubu Asırlık Adama: Nezihe Neyzi’den Oğlu Nezihe Neyzi’ye Mektuplar 1947-48 (Letters from Nezihe Neyzi to her son Nezihe Neyzi). İstanbul: Sel Yayıncılık, 1999. ISBN 9755700994
<http://www.idefix.com/kitap/kucuk-hanimdan-rubu-asirlik-adama-nezihe-neyziden-oglu-nezihe-neyziye-mektuplar-1947-1948-leyla-neyzi/tanim.asp?sid=SPVQIEGXKH2HYU7CBYVW>

Edited Books

Prospects for Reconciliation: Theory and Practice. Hranush Kharatyan-Araqelyan and Leyla Neyzi, eds. Bonn: dvv international, 2011. ISBN 978-3-942755-01-6

Nasıl Hatırlıyoruz? Türkiye’de Bellek Çalışmaları (How do we Remember? Memory Studies in Turkey). İstanbul: İş Bankası Kültür Yayınları, 2011. ISBN 9786053601708
<http://alisveris.iskulturyayinlari.com.tr/tanim.asp?sid=K0V0K5IN7H6H2E43594H>

Memories of Mass Repression: Narrating Life Stories in the Aftermath of Atrocity. Nanci Adler, Selma Leydesdorff, Mary Chamberlain, Leyla Neyzi, eds. New Brunswick: Transaction Publishers Series in Memory and Narrative, 2009. ISBN 9781412808538
<http://www.amazon.com/Memories-Mass-Repression-Narrating-Aftermath/dp/1412842174>

Amele Taburu: The Military Journal of a Jewish Soldier in Turkey during the War of Independence. Istanbul: The Isis Press, 2005. ISBN 9754283079
<http://www.theisispress.org/Varia/page=6>

Book Chapters

“Introduction: The Intersection of Ethics and Politics.” Section introduction in Oral History Off the Record: Toward an Ethnography of Practice. Anna Sheftel and Stacey Zembrzycki, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2013.

“‘Get on the Bus and Go’ She Said.” In Remembering Josephine Powell. Kimberly Hart, (ed.), Koç University Press, 2012.

‘Türkiye’de Kamusal Söylemde Gençlik Kurgusunun Değişimi.’ In Katılımın ‘e-hali’: Gençlerin Sanal Alemi, Telli Aydemir, Aslı, (ed.), Alternatif Bilişim, 2011.

“Oral History and Memory Studies in Turkey.” In Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity: Conflict and Change in the Twentieth Century. Celia Kerslake, Kerem Öktem, Philip Robins, eds. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010, 443-457. ISBN 9780230233140

“The Burning of Smyrna/ Izmir (1922) Revisited: Coming to Terms with the Past in the Present.” In The Past as Resource in the Turkic Speaking World. Ildiko Beller-Hann, ed. Istanbul Texte und Studien. Herausgegeben Vom Orient-Institut Istanbul Band 8. Würzburg: Ergon-Verlag, 2008, 23-42. ISBN 9783899136166

“Beauty and Truth.” In Ebru: Reflections of Cultural Diversity in Turkey. Atilla Durak. Istanbul: Metis Yayınları, 2007, 56. ISBN 9789753425728

“Güzellik ve Hakikat.” In Ebru: Kültürel Çeşitlilik Üzerine Yansımalar. Atilla Durak. Istanbul: Metis Yayınları, 2007, 56. ISBN 9789753425711

“Exploring Memory Through Oral History in Turkey.” In Balkan Identities: Nation and Memory. Maria Todorova, ed. London: C. Hurst and Co., 2004, 60-76. ISBN 1850657157

“Zazaname: The Alevi Renaissance, Media and Music in the Nineties.” In Turkey’s Alevi Enigma: A Comprehensive Overview. Paul J. White and Joost Jongerden, eds. Leiden: Brill, 2003, 111-124. ISBN 9004125388

“Bellek ve Kimlik.” (Memory and Identity). In Modernleşme ve Çokkültürlülük.. Helsinki Citizens Assembly. İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2001, 188-192. ISBN 9754709475

Proceedings

“Eski İstanbul’un Şehir Kültürünü Hatırlamak: Yaşanmışlıklar, Bellek ve Nostalji” (Remembering the Urban Culture of Istanbul: Experience, Memory and Nostalgia). In Eski İstanbullular, Yeni İstanbullular (Old Istanbulites, New Istanbulites). Murat Güvenç, ed. İstanbul: Osmanlı Bankası Arşiv ve Araştırma Merkezi, 2009, 78-83. ISBN 9789944731188

“The Construction of ‘Youth’ in Public Discourse in Turkey: A Generational Approach.” In Youth and Youth Culture in the Contemporary Middle East. Jorgen Baek Simonsen, ed. Aarhus: Aarhus University Press, 2005, 107-116. ISBN 8779341349

Encyclopedias

“Youth Identity and Activism in Turkey.” In Youth Activism: An International Encyclopedia, Volume II. Lonnie Sherrod, Constance Flanagan, Ron Cassimir, and Amy Syvertsen, eds. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood Press, 2006, 653-656. ISBN 0313328137

“Youth Culture and Movements: Turkey.” In Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, Volume II. Suad Joseph, ed. Leiden: Brill. 2004, 131-132.
ISBN 9789004132474

Book Reviews

Memory and Violence in the Middle East and North Africa, Ussama Makdisi and Paul A. Silverstein, eds. International Journal of Middle East Studies, 42, 2, 2010, 338-340.

Tormented by History: Nationalism in Greece and Turkey, Umut Özkırımlı and Spyros A. Sofos. H-SAE (Society for the Anthropology of Europe), September 2009.
<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=24633>

Selective Remembrances: Archaeology in the Construction, Commemoration, and Consecration of National Pasts, Philip L. Kohl et al. eds. American Journal of Sociology, 115, 2, September 2009, 573-5.

“Better Late Than Never: Turkey Remembers its Past.” Review of The Politics of Public Memory in Turkey, Esra Özyürek, ed. H-Memory. October 2008.
<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=15709>

The Politics of Public Memory in Turkey, Esra Özyürek, ed. Journal of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe 8, 1, Fall/Winter 2008, 32-33.

Nostalgia for the Modern: State Secularism and Everyday Politics in Turkey, Esra Özyürek. Anthropos 102,2, 2007, 637-638.

The Ethnographic Imagination, Paul Willis. European Journal of Cultural Studies 9, 2, May 2006, 249-251.

History in Exile: Memory and Identity at the Borders of the Balkans, Pamela Ballinger. Anthropological Quarterly 78, 4, Fall 2005, 1029-1031.

Who Owns the Past? The Politics of Time in a “Model” Bulgarian Village, Deema Kaneff. Anthropos 100, 2, 2005, 619-620.

The Alevis in Turkey: The Emergence of a Secular Islamic Tradition, David Shankland. The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute 10, 2, June 2004, 470-471.

Personal States: Making Connections Between People and Bureaucracy in Turkey, Catherine Alexander. The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute. 10,1 March 2004, 191-192.

A Nation of Empire: The Ottoman Legacy of Turkish Modernity, Michael Meeker. The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute. 9, 4, December 2003, 800-801.

Faces of the State: Secularism and Public Life in Turkey, Yael Navaro-Yashin. Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute. 9, 4, December 2003, 808-809.

Turkish Region, Ildiko Beller-Hann and Chris Hann. Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute. 9,1, March 2003, 171.

Islam and Society in Turkey, David Shankland. Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute 8, 1, March 2002, 173-174.

Media

Director of International Project, “Young People Speak Out: The Contribution of Oral History to Facing the Past, Dialogue and Reconciliation in Turkey” (2011-2013), which produced the exhibition “Tahayyül ve Karşılaşmalar Arasında: Diyarbakırlı ve Muğlalı Gençler Anlatıyor” (Between Imaginaries&Encounters: Young People from Diyarbakir and Mugla Speak), November 29-December 30, 2012, Hamursuz Firini (The Old Matzoh Factory), Istanbul.

<http://www.gencler anlatiyor.org/static/englishexh.html>

Director of International Project, “Young People Speak Out: The Contribution of Oral History to Facing the Past, Dialogue and Reconciliation in Turkey” (2011-2013), which produced the website “Tahayyül ve Karşılaşmalar Arasında: Diyarbakırlı ve Muğlalı Gençler Anlatıyor” (Between Imaginaries&Encounters: Young People from Diyarbakir and Mugla Speak) www.gencler anlatiyor.org

Advisor and Interviewee for Documentary Film, “Smyrna: The Destruction of a Cosmopolitan City, 1899-1922.” Proteus Film, New York. Opening Benaki Museum, Athens (PBS, USA), January 2012.

<http://smyrnadocumentary.org/?lang=en&cat=3>

Director of Oral History Research for Exhibition, “Speaking to One Another: Personal Memories of the Past in Armenia and Turkey.” Curators: Önder Özengi and Taron Simonyan, Cezayir, Istanbul, 17-26 December 2010. The exhibition toured Turkey, Armenia, Cyprus, Germany, France.

<http://speakingtooneanother.org/index.php?page=exhibition2010>

Sabancı University Oral History Website (A showcase of student work)

<http://myweb.sabanciuniv.edu/sozlutarih/>

Papers presented

“Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Using Digital Testimonies in Contexts of Continuing Conflict.” Invited speaker at Conference on “Digital Testimonies on War and Trauma.” Erasmus University Rotterdam, June 12-14, 2013.

<http://digitaltestimonies2013.wordpress.com/abstracts-of-presentations/>

“Youth and History in Turkey: To Remember or To Forget?” Paper presented at Hrant Dink Memorial Workshop 2013: Coming to Terms with War, Genocide, and Political Violence. Istanbul, May 31- June 2, 2013.

“Youth, Time, and Conflict: Old Children and Ageless Youth in Eastern and Western Turkey.” Invited speaker at Workshop on “Balkan Topologies.” Economic and Social Sciences Research Council, British School at Athens, May 12-13, 2013.

“Between Imaginaries and Encounters: Young People from Turkey Speak Out.” Invited speaker, “Turkey in the 21st Century | Network Turkey - GeT MA Jour Fixe.” Jacob-und-Wilhelm-Grimm-Zentrum der Humboldt University, Berlin, April 16, 2013. <http://network-turkey.org/>

““European Memory”? Postmemories of Youth in a Conflicted Present” Keynote Speech delivered at Conference on “Towards a Common Past? Conflicting Memories in Contemporary Europe”. Lund University, Sweden, 14-16 May, 2012.

<http://www.cfe.lu.se/towards-a-common-past>

“Postmemories of Violence: Kurdish Youth as Interlocutors and Participants in an Oral History Project.” Keynote Speech delivered at International Conference “Beyond Testimony and Trauma: Oral History in the Aftermath of Mass Violence.” Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, 22-25 March 2012.

<http://storytelling.concordia.ca/remembering/program.html>

“Uncanny Memories: Apocryphal Tales, Dreams, and Fantasies of Armenians in Anatolia.” Paper presented at Panel on “Remembering through Materiality” (Panel Organizer). Conference on Materiality, Memory and Cultural Heritage, Yeditepe University, Istanbul, May 25-29, 2011.

“Listening to Silence: The Challenges of Studying the Burden of Armenian Memory in Turkey.” International Workshop on “Off the Record: Unspoken Negotiations in the Practice of Oral History.” Centre for Oral History and Digital Storytelling, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, April 28-30, 2011.
<http://storytelling.concordia.ca/oralhistory/offtherecord/>

“Postmemories of 1915: How Turks, Kurds and Armenians in Turkey Narrate Past Trauma.” The European Association of Social Anthropologists 11th Biennial Conference, Maynooth, Ireland, 24-27 August, 2010.

“Teşvikiye: The Making of an Elite Neighborhood and Narratives of Nostalgia in Istanbul.” Keynote Speaker, Workshop on “Women *and* the City, Women *in* the City: A Gendered Perspective for Ottoman Urban History.” Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin (Institute for Advanced Study)/Zentrum Moderner Orient, 27 - 28 May, 2010.

“Remembering 1915: Language Use in Postmemories of Turks, Kurds and Armenians in Turkey” Hrant Dink Memorial Workshop, Istanbul, 27-30 May, 2010.

“Towards a New Anthropology of Youth and Childhood.” Keynote speaker, Conference on “Marginalization and Mobilization of Youth in the Near East.” Center for Behavioral Research, American University of Beirut, May 29-31, 2009.

“Ötekileştirmeyi Araştırma ve Çözüm Önerilerinde Antropoloji ve Sözlü Tarihin Kullanımı.” (Using Anthropology and Oral History in Researching and Solving the Problem of Othering). Invited speaker at “Ben ve Öteki: Ötekileştirmenin Kaynakları ve İşleyiş Süreçleri: Disiplinlerarası Sempozyum.” Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul, April 25, 2009.

“Eski İstanbul’un Şehir Kültürünü Hatırlamak: Yaşanmışlıklar, Bellek ve Nostalji.” (Remembering Istanbul’s City Culture). Invited speaker at “Eski İstanbullular, Yeni İstanbullular” Symposium. Osmanlı Bankası Müzesi, İstanbul, 10-11 April, 2009.

“Urban Regeneration, Memory and Subjectivity in a Neighborhood in the Global City of Istanbul.” Session on “Local Transitions to and from the European Union.” 106th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., November 28-December 2, 2007.

“Narrating Memory at Home and in the Street: Conflict over Identity in a Historic Neighborhood in Istanbul.” Sixth European Social Science History Conference. Amsterdam, March 22-25, 2006.

“Memory of Place: The Contested History of a Neighborhood in Istanbul.” Session on “Contested Identities and Spaces: Maps, Memory and Movement.” 104th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington, D.C., November 30-December 4, 2005.

“Oral History of Istanbul.” Conference on “Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity: The Twentieth Century.” St. Antony’s College, Oxford, September 22-26, 2004.

“The Transformation of the Public Sphere, Turkish-Greek Rapprochement and the Burning of Smyrna/Izmir.” Panel on “The Past as Resource in the Turkic Speaking

World.” Deutscher Orientalistentag Institut für Orientalistik, Halle, Germany, September 20-24, 2004.

“Elite Subjectivity and Memory of Place from National to Global Times: The Neighborhood of Nişantaşı in Istanbul.” XIII. International Oral History Association Meeting on “Memory and Globalization.” Rome, June 23-26, 2004.

“Spaces of Distinction: Elite Subjectivities and the Contested Meaning of Turkishness in a Neighborhood in Istanbul.” Session on “Constructing Elite Identities in Local and Translocal Public Spheres,” 102nd Annual Meeting of the American Anthropology Association, Chicago, November 19-23, 2003.

“Men and Animals in Contemporary Turkey: The Case of Mustafa, ‘Gözü Kara Kuşçu’.” VIII. Annual Workshop on Ottoman Material Culture: Animals and Culture. Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, October 3-4, 2003.

“Globalization, Migration, and New Formulations of Identity in a Transnational Context: The Case of Arab Christian Refugees in Europe.” Workshop on “Citizenship, Belonging and New Formulations of Identity in a Transnational Context.” Bilgi University, Istanbul, April 19, 2003.

“Remembering Trauma: The Case of the Labor Battalions during the Greco-Turkish War.” Workshop on “Politics of Remembering,” Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, April 4-5, 2003.

“The Construction of ‘Youth’ in Public Discourse in Turkey: A Generational Approach.” Conference on “Youth and Youth Cultures in the Contemporary Middle East.” Danish Institute in Damascus, Syria, December 13-15, 2002.

“Turkish Jews in Light of Kemalist Modernism: In Between Christians and Muslims.” Conference on “Jewish Women and the Transformation of Jewish Life in Turkey.” Hadassah International Research Institute on Jewish Women, Brandeis University, December 8-9, 2002.

“Prehistories of Nationalism: Cosmopolitanism and the Spaces of Nostalgia in the Life History Narrative on an Elderly Native of Smyrna/Izmir.” Conference on “The Balkans: Mapping Identities.” Sofia, Bulgaria, October 18-20, 2002.

“The Challenge of Doing Oral History in the Middle East: Reflections on a Study of Generational Identity in Istanbul.” First World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Mainz, September 8-13, 2002.

“History, Life Story Narratives and Subjective Experience in Turkey.” Crossroads in Cultural Studies Fourth International Conference, Tampere, Finland, June 29-July 2, 2002.

“Transnational Families and Fragmented Subjectivities: The Oral History Narrative of an Arab Christian Refugee Youth from Antioch, Turkey.” Workshop on “Gender and Transnational Families,” University of Amsterdam, May 31-June 1, 2002.

“Trauma, Narrative and Silence: The Military Journal and Life History Narrative of a Jewish ‘Soldier’ in Turkey during the Greco-Turkish War.” Workshop on “Conceptualizing the Armenian Experience in the Ottoman Empire: From the Balkan Wars to the New Turkish Republic,” University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March 7-10, 2002.

“Hybridity Past and Present: Transnational Migration and Fragmented Subjectivities in the Oral History Narrative of an Arab Christian from Antioch, Turkey.” European Social Science History Conference, The Hague, 27 February- 2 March 2002.

“An Inside View of the ‘Workers’ Units’ and Haim Albukrek’s Diary.” IV. International History Congress of the Economic and Social History Foundation of Turkey, Bilgi University, Istanbul, October 12-14, 2001.

“Emergent Subjectivities in the Public Sphere: The Military Journal and Life History Narrative of a Jewish Soldier in Turkey during the Greco-Turkish War.” Conference on “Texts of Testimony: Autobiography, Life-History Narratives and the Public Sphere,” Research Centre for Literature and Cultural History, Liverpool John Moores University, August 23-25, 2001.

“Remembering to Forget: Sabbateanism, National Identity and Subjectivity in Turkey.” 16th Annual Middle East History and Theory Conference, The Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Chicago, May 11-12, 2001.

“Contemporary Readings of a Hybrid Cultural Identity: Space and Subjectivity in the Music of Metin-Kemal Kahraman.” Session on “Reimagining the Construction of the Nation at the Millennium: New Critical Work on Culture in Turkey,” American Ethnology Association Annual Meetings, Montreal, May 3-6, 2001 (Session Organizer).

“Who is ‘from Salonica’? Identity and the Intergenerational Suppression of Memory in Istanbul.” Conference on “Intersecting Times: The Work of Memory in Southeastern Europe,” Centre for the Study of Southeastern Europe, University of Wales, Clyne Castle, Swansea, June 25-28, 2000.

“Unutmayı Hatırlamak: İstanbul’da Sabetaycılık, Bellek ve Kimlik.” (Remembering to Forget: Sabbateanism, Memory and Identity in Istanbul). Conference on “The Transformation of National Identity and the State in Germany and Turkey,” Sabancı University, Istanbul, June 1-3, 2000.

“In Search of the Past Without a Past: Imagined Selves in Life History Narratives of Youth of/from Turkey.” Session on “Whither and Whence Young Turks? Time, Space and Identity in Istanbul, Berlin and Oslo,” 98th Meeting of the American Anthropology Association, Chicago, November 17-21, 1999 (Session Co-organizer).

“Pandora’s Box: Life History Narratives, Memory and Belonging in Turkey.” International Conference on “National Memory in Southeastern Europe,” Center for Democracy in Southeastern Europe and Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), Halki, Greece, June 16-20, 1999.

“Refashioning Space, Time and Self at the Global/National/Local Interface: The Music of Metin-Kemal Kahraman.” Conference on “Global Flows/Local Fissures: Urban Antagonisms Revisited,” World Academy for Local Development, Istanbul, May 27-29, 1999.

“Talking to the Old and Talking to the Young: Generation, Oral History and Identity in Turkey.” Session on “Situating Population Research in the Middle East: Constructing Nations, Crossing Boundaries,” 97th Meeting of the American Anthropology Association, Philadelphia, December 2-6, 1998.

“Unlikely Twins: Ethnicity and Identity Through Comparative Oral History in Turkey.” Conference on “Identity Crises and the Construction of Identity in Life Histories,” French Anatolian Research Institute, Istanbul, May 7-8, 1998.

“Nomads as Agents of Development: The Case of Çıralı, Turkey.” Conference on “New Linkages in Conservation and Development,” Conservation and Development Forum, Istanbul, November 16-21, 1997.

“The Village For the World: The Oral History of an Alevi/Kurdish Woman from Tunceli.” International Conference on “Globalization, Cities and Youth,” Cairo, March 20-23, 1997.

Workshops/Seminars

“Bütün Bunları Düşünürken” (while thinking about all these things). Invited Speaker, Panel accompanying exhibition at 5533 Art Space, Istanbul, April 6, 2013.

“Türkiyeli Gençler: Bir Yol Ayrımına Doğru?” (Youth in Turkey: Towards a Sea Change?) Invited Speaker, Panel accompanying Ahmet Polat photography exhibition “Kemal’s Dream” at Tütün Deposu, Istanbul, March 10, 2012.

"The Burden of Remembering Armenians in Turkey." Invited Speaker, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Middle East Technical University Northern Cyprus Campus, April 21, 2011.

Oral History Teaching Workshop for Students from Dicle University and Muğla University for Project, “Young People Speak Out: The Contribution of Oral History to Facing the Past, Reconciliation and Democratization in Turkey.” Minerva Han, Sabancı University, February 13-14, 2011.

Oral History Training Workshops, Ottoman Bank Archive and Research Center, 2008- 2010.

http://www.obarsiv.com/sozlu_tarih_atolyeleri_2010.html

Invited Speaker, “Istanbul, Cosmopolitanism and the Minority Question.” Workshop on “Istanbul in a Globalizing World: Prospects for Cosmopolitanism.” Bahçeşehir University, Istanbul, December 10, 2010.

Co-organizer and Moderator, International Workshop on “Prospects for Reconciliation: Theory and Practice.” dvv international, Yerevan, Armenia, November 26-27, 2010.

Invited Participant. “Between Home and History: Managing the Interface between Preservation and Development of Living Historic Places.” Roundtable, The 23rd International Congress of the International Institute for Conservation (IIC), Sakip Sabancı Museum, Istanbul, September 21, 2010.

Invited discussant. International Workshop on “What is Left Behind: Remnants of Past Inhabitants and Their Place in Turkey’s Present.” Istanbul, September 1-2, 2010.

Invited Lecturer. “Karşılaştırmalı Kültür Eleştirisi Olarak Antropoloji: Yöntem.” (Anthropology as Comparative Cultural Critique: Method). Feza Gürsey Institute Social Science Summer Camp, Istanbul, July 19, 2010.

Invited Discussant, Workshop on “Historiographies of Conflict.” Cultural Heritage Museum, Boğaziçi University, May 8-9, 2010.

Invited Speaker. “The Burden of Armenian Memory in Turkey.” Sociology Seminar Series, Koç University, April 29, 2010.

Invited Speaker. "Sözlü Tarih ve Türkiye’de Ermenilerin Hatırlanması." (Oral History and Remembering Armenians in Turkey) İnönü University History Department Seminar, Malatya, April 9, 2010.

Invited Speaker. "Türkiye’de Sözlü Tarih" (Oral history in Turkey). Ataforum Cuma Seminerleri, Atatürk Institute, Boğaziçi University, March 12, 2010.

Invited Speaker. "İçeriden Bakarak İstanbul" (Istanbul from within). Roundtable on Açık Radyo (Open Radio), "İstanbul ve Mitler" (Istanbul and Myths), January 22, 2010.

Invited Speaker, "The Use of Oral History in Documenting Intangible Heritage in Turkey," Cultural Heritage Management Graduate Program, Koç University, December 24, 2009.

Oral History Training Workshop, Dersim 1937-38 Oral History Project, Avrupa Dersim Dernekleri Federasyonu, Dersim Kulturgemeinde Berlin, December 19-20, 2009.

"Belgesel Film ve Sözlü Tarih." (Documentary Film and Oral History) Seminar, 1001 Belgesel Film Festivali (1001 Documentaries Film Festival), Istanbul, December 6, 2009.

Oral History Training Workshop, Anadolu Kültür, Antakya, December 12-13, 2009.

"Türkiye’de Birlikte Yaşam ve Sözlü Tarih." Workshop on "İğdır’dan Yeni Dünyaya Birlikte Yaşam". İğdır Municipality, October 24, 2009.

Oral History Training Workshop. Student Camp, Project on Oral History and Adult Education Contributing to Armenian-Turkish Reconciliation. Dv International. Dilijan, Armenia, 8-14 October, 2009.

Invited Trainer in Oral History, Fourth Interregional Summer Adult Education Academy, dv International, Issy Kul, Kyrgyzstan, July 23-August 2, 2009.

Invited Speaker, Workshop on Sabbateanism, Van Abbemuseum, Eindhoven, Holland. Tütün Deposu, Istanbul, May 17, 2009.

Organizer and Lecturer, Oral History Training Workshop, Osmanlı Bankası Arşiv ve Araştırma Merkezi, Istanbul, January 31- February 1, 2009.

Invited Discussant for Conference, "One Island, Many Histories: Rethinking the Politics of the Past in Cyprus." International Peace Research Institute (PRIO), Nicosia, Cyprus, November 28-December 1, 2008.

Invited Participant, Workshop on "Ermeni-Türk Ortak Tarih Çalışmaları." (Joint Armenian-Turkish History Research). International Hrant Dink Foundation, Boğaziçi University Atatürk Institute, Tarih Vakfı. Santral Istanbul, November 22, 2008.

Invited Participant, Workshop on "History and Identity: Building Bridges for Dialogue and Understanding." dv International, Yerevan, Armenia, 6-10 October, 2008.

Invited Speaker on "Identity in Turkey: Understanding the Present through the Past." Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), Sabancı University, June 27, 2008.

Invited Discussant, Northwestern University Seminars in Istanbul (BCICS), Minerva Han, Karaköy, June 16, 2008.

Oral History Training Seminar for High School Teachers in KKTC. Northern Cyprus Schools Oral History Project. KKTC Ministry of Education and Culture and Syndicate of High School Teachers. Lefkoşa, November 9, 2007.

Invited Participant, Experts Workshop on “Strengthening Social Science Research in the Middle East/Arab Region.” Population Council, Dubai, 26-27 November, 2006.

Oral History Training Workshop, Antalya Kent Müzesi Girişimcileri Derneği, 5-8 July 2006.

Invited Participant, Symposium and Editorial Board Meeting of Memory and Narrative Book Series, Transaction Press. Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Amsterdam, March 21, 2006.

Organizer, Symposium and Editorial Board Meeting of Memory and Narrative Book Series, Transaction Press. Sabancı University, Istanbul, November 19, 2005.

Invited Speaker, “Changing Perspectives on the Burning of Smyrna.” School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London, March 8, 2004.

Invited Speaker, “The Burning of Smyrna/Izmir (1922) Revisited: Coming to Terms with the Past in the Present.” St. Antony’s College, Oxford, February 24, 2004.

Invited Speaker, “Youth in the Middle East: A Research Agenda.” Seminar on “Social Categories in Population Research,” International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSPP), Cairo, September, 15-18, 1999.

Invited Speaker, Study Group on “Youth in the Middle East: Population Processes and Cultural Constructions,” Middle East Awards Program, Population Council, Cairo, November 19-21, 1998.

Research projects

Director, International Research Project, “Young People Speak Out: The Contribution of Oral History to Facing the Past, Reconciliation and Democratization in Turkey.” January 2011-December 2013. Funded by Open Society Institute, Global Dialogue, Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Stiftung Mercator, Istanbul Policy Center. Sabancı University Project Number E.A.CG-11-00788.

Director of Oral History Research in Turkey for Project, “Adult Education and Oral History Contributing to Armenian-Turkish Reconciliation.” Funded by the German Federal Office and Implemented by dvv International, Germany, 2009-2012.
www.speakingtooneanother.org

Director of Oral History Research for Project, “The Evliya Çelebi Way.” 2009-2010.
<http://www.kent.ac.uk/english/evliya/index.html>

Advisor, Northern Cyprus Schools Oral History Project. KKTC Ministry of Education and Culture and Syndicate of High School Teachers. 2007- 2010.

Thesis Committees

Ayşe Taşpınar. 2013. “*Delikanlılık* (youth masculinity) in the Inner City: Everyday Resistance for Survival and Respect.” Sabancı University, Conflict Resolution Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Aydın Özipek. 2013. “‘Everyone Wants to Stand Out in Life’: New Forms of Self-Expression among Urban Working-Class Youth in Neoliberalizing Turkey.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Nora Tataryan. 2012. “Armenians Living in Turkey and the Assassination of Hrant Dink: Loss, Mourning and Melancholia.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Gözde Burcu Ege. 2012. “Remembering Armenians in Van, Turkey.” Sabancı University Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Dilşah Pınar Ensari. 2012. “At the Crossroads of Education and Politics: Kurdish Women Students in Istanbul.” Sabancı University Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Gonca Şahin. 2012. “Locating the *Dergah* in Civil Society: The Alevi Youth’s Counter Public and Civility.” Sabancı University Political Science Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member).

Oya Nuzumlali Schooley. 2012. “Mixed Feelings Over an Unprecedented Elections: Contestations of Ethnicity within the Süryani-Keldani Community.” Sabancı University Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member).

Elif Ege. 2012. “Coping with the City: The Tactics of Kurdish Adolescent Girls in Istanbul.” Koç University Comparative Studies in History and Society Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member).

İbrahim Tevfik Karatop. 2011. “New Muslim Male Subjectivities: Masculinities in the Hizmet Movement.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Pınar Gümüş. 2010. “Theatrical Performance, Everyday Life Experience and Transformation: Zeytinburnu People’s Theatre.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Haydar Darıcı. 2009. “Violence and Freedom: The Politics of Kurdish Children and Youth in Urban Space.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Özgül Akıncı. 2008. “Remembering the Assos International Performing Arts Festival through the Iconic Memory of Hüseyin Katircioğlu: Reading the Rural-Urban Divide through Gender, Humor and Reflexive Ethnography.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Esra Demirci Akyol. 2008. “The Role of Memory in the Historiography of Hatay.” Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Sandra Finger. 2008. “The Meaning of a Discovery: Tourist Gaze and Tourist Narratives in Southeastern Anatolia.” June 2008. Sabancı University, Cultural Studies Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Zeynep Polat Satoğlu. 2010. “‘Don’t Let the Children Wilt Away in the Streets’: Reconsidering Poverty and Philanthropy through the Eyes of Muslim Women in Contemporary Turkey: The Case of the Ç.S.S. Children’s Welfare Project.” Boğaziçi University, Sociology Department, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Zeynep Güzel. 2009. "Memory as Representation/Memory as Experience: A Study on *Hatırla Sevgili* (tv Series) through the Narrative of Leftists' Children." Boğaziçi University, Sociology Department, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Arzum Kopşa. 2008. "The Assassination of Hrant Dink from the Perspective of Armenian Youth in Turkey: A Time of Trauma or Solidarity?" Sabancı University Conflict Analysis and Resolution Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Katharina Ploss. 2006. "The Spirits That Were Called: The Bloody Sunday Inquiry and the Reconciliation Process in Northern Ireland." Sabancı University, Conflict Analysis and Resolution Program, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Serra Ciliv. 2002. "Between Belonging and Opposition: Life Story Narratives of Women from the Generation of '78" Sabancı University, History Program, M.A. Thesis (Thesis Advisor)

Gülsema Dalgıç. 2000. "An Oral History Study on Turkish Veterans of the Korean War." Boğaziçi University Atatürk Institute for Modern Turkish History, M.A. Thesis (Committee Member)

Boards

Member of International Editorial Board, European Journal of Turkish Studies, 2003-present.

Member of International Editorial Board, Memory and Narrative Book Series, Transaction Press, 2003-2007.

Peer review

American Anthropologist, American Journal of Sociology, Children, Youth and Environments, Comparative Studies in Society and History, Cultural Anthropology, Current Anthropology, International Journal of Middle East Studies, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, History and Anthropology, National Identities, Nations and Nationalism, New Perspectives on Turkey, Political and Legal Anthropology Review, Women's Studies International Forum, Berghahn Press, Oxford University Press, The American Academy in Berlin, American Council of Learned Societies, European Science Foundation.