

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

PhD in Inner Asian and Altaic Studies

2016

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Dissertation Title: “Islam in Translation: Muslim Reform and Transnational Networks in Modern China, 1908–1957”

MA in History

2003

Bosphorus University, Istanbul, Turkey

Thesis Title: “Nation building in China and Turkey: An Analysis of the Thought of Sun Yat-sen and Mustafa Kemal Atatürk in Comparative Perspective”

BS in International Relations

1999

Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor

History Department, Boğaziçi University

December 2020- present

Graduate Advisor

Master of Arts in Asian Studies, Boğaziçi University

January 2023- present

Head of Program

Master of Arts in Asian Studies, Boğaziçi University

2021-2024

Board Member

Asian Studies Center, Boğaziçi University

2021- Present

Visiting scholar

Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University

2016-17, 2019

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Erođlu, Hale. *Muslim Transnationalism in Modern China: Debates on Hui Identity and Islamic Reform*, Columbia University Press, 2025.

Journal Articles

Erođlu, Zeyneb Hale. "Transnational Circulation of Ideas: Chinese Muslim Reformist Thought and the Ahmadiyya Movement during the Republican Period." *Journal of Asian Studies*, 84:1 , 2025, p. 5-29.

Erođlu Sager, Zeyneb Hale. "A Place under the Sun: Chinese Muslim (Hui) identity and the Constitutional Movement in Republican China." *Modern China*, vol. 47:6, 2021, p.825-858.

Erođlu, Zeyneb Hale. "The Question of Islam and the Muslim Citizen in Republican China: Insights from the Turkish Model." *Modern Asian Studies*, Special Issue, Accepted.

Erođlu, Zeyneb Hale. "Tayvan'da İslam ve Hui Kimliğinin Dönüşümü" (Islam and the Hui Identity in Taiwan). Türkiye'de Tayvan Çalışmaları IV, Yayına Hazırlayan A. Merthan Dündar, Ankara: APAM, 2025.

Erođlu, Zeyneb Hale. "Çin'de 1911 Devrimi ve Yerel Elitlerin Rolü" (1911 Revolution and the Role of Local Elites). *Tarih ve Toplum: Yeni Yaklaşımlar*, Aralık 2024.

Erođlu, Zeyneb Hale. "Çin'de Din Eğitimi." (Religious Education in China). *DEM yayınları*, 2024

Erođlu Sager, Zeyneb Hale. "Çin ve Osmanlı'da Meşrutiyetçi Düşünce ve Milliyetçiliğin Doğuşu: Karşılaştırmalı bir inceleme," (Constitutionalist Thought in the Qing and Ottoman Empires: A Comparative Study) *Divan*11, no. 20 (2006), p.259-277.

Review Articles

Erođlu Sager, Z. Hale. Review of *The First Islamic Classic in Chinese: Wang Daiyu's Real Commentary on the True Teaching*, by Sachiko Murata. *Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy*. 17.4 (2018) : 621-625.

Other Publications

Z. Hale Erođlu Sađer. "Çin Ulus-Devlet İnşasında Türkiye Örneđi ve Çinli Müslümanlar (Huiler)." *Toplumsal Tarih*, sayı. 323. Kasım 2020.

Hale Erođlu Sađer, "Ha Decheng," *Encyclopaedia of Islam* - Three 2023-2, Brill.

Hale Eroğlu “Qur’ān translations into Chinese since the early 20th century,” *Encyclopaedia of the Qur’ān Online*, Brill, 2025.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Boğaziçi University

- Chinese History I and II: From Empire to Modern China
- The Making of the Modern World II
- Seminar in Modern Chinese History

Instructor

Harvard University, Extension School, Cambridge

Fall 2018

- Modern China

Teaching Fellow

2008-2012

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

- China: Traditions and Transformations
- Classical Chinese Ethical and Political Theory
- China in the Wider World
- The Study of East Asian Religions
- Understanding Islam and Contemporary Muslim Societies
- For the Love of God and His Prophet: Religion, Literature and the Arts in Muslim Cultures

Head Teaching Fellow

2010-2012

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

- For the Love of God and His Prophet: Religion, Literature and the Arts in Muslim Cultures
- Understanding Islam and Contemporary Muslim Societies

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“From ‘Peace’ to ‘Just War’: Redefinition of Jihad and Citizenship in Modern China” *ENIUGH*, Sweden, 2025.

“Mapping Asian Studies In Turkey: A State Of Art Review,” *Turkey And Korea In Global Perspective*, Boğaziçi University, 2025.

“The History of Asian Studies in Turkey,” *Beijing Forum*, 2024.

“After the Qing Empire: Ethnicization and Minoritization of Muslim Identity”, *After Empire*, Boğaziçi University, 2024.

“Sacralizing Nationalist Ideology In China And The Kemalist Model: The Chinese Muslim Response And Limits Of State Hegemony.” *Association for Asian Studies*, April 2024, Seattle.

“Doctrine of the Mean and Chinese Muslim Reformism in Modern China,” *Berliner Institut für Islamische Theologie, Humboldt University*, October 2023 .

“From Peace to Just War: Redefinition of Jihad and Citizenship in Modern China,” *Association for Asian Studies*, February 2023, Boston.

“Chen Keli: An Islamist in Maoist China,” *Association for Asian Studies*, March 2022, Honolulu Hawaii.

“The Ahmadiyya and Quran Translation in Modern China,” *Workshop on Da ‘wa and Qur’an Translation in the First Decades of the 20th Century*, University of Freiburg, 21-22 June 2022.

“The Awakened Muslim: Turkish Modernity in Chinese Muslim Reformist Thought,” *Workshop on Islamic Pasts and Futures in East Asia*, Gottingen University, 23-24 September 2022.

“Çin’de Eğitimin Modernleşmesi,” *Uluslararası Osmanlı Mektepleri Sempozyumu*, Yalova University, November 2021.

“China And Turkey: Similarities And Differences Of Two State Centered Processes Of Modernization: The Impact Of History On Policy.” *Stiftung Wissenschaft and Politic: German Institute for International and Security Affairs*, June 2021.

“Islam in a Confucian Civilizational Sphere: Muslim Expositions in Classical Chinese” *Civilizations Forum*, Istanbul, Turkey, October 2017

“The Awakened Muslim: Turkish Modernity in Chinese Muslim Reformist Thought,” *Association for Asian Studies*. Toronto, Canada, March 2017.

“The Scientific Muslim: Ma Jian and his translation of Husayn al-Jisr’s Treatise,” *China-Arabia: Encounters and Engagements*. National University of Singapore, December 2016.

“Chinese Muslims in the era of Steam and Print: Lahore Ahmadiyya Movement and the Journey of its Message to China,” *Association for Asian Studies*. Seattle, USA, March 2016.

“Turkish Modernity as an Alternative Model: Chinese Muslim Interpretations in the Republican Period,” *Zhenghe International Peace Foundation*, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, August 2015.

“Chinese Muslims in the era of Steam and Print: Lahore Ahmadiyya Movement and the Journey of its message to China,” *Liberal Arts International Conference*, Texas A&M University, Doha, Qatar, January 2015.

“Hui Ethnic Identity Formation during the Republican Period in China,” *Asian Political and International Studies Association*, METU, Ankara, October 2013.

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Muslim Transnationalism in Modern China: Debates on Hui Identity and Islamic Reform,” *Book Talk* at Göttingen University, 2025.

“Muslim Transnationalism in Modern China: Debates on Hui Identity and Islamic Reform,” *Book Talk* at Georgetown University, Qatar, 2025.

“Muslim Transnationalism in Modern China: Debates on Hui Identity and Islamic Reform,” *Book Talk* at Linnaeus University, Sweden, 2025.

“1911 Revolution in China: The Role of the Local Elite.” *Asian Studies Center*, Boğaziçi University, December 2023.

“Who led the 1911 Revolution in China: The Role of the Local Elite.” *Revolutions Beyond the West: Historical Connections and Comparative Perspectives*, Tarih Vakfı, October 2023 .

“Vernacularization of Islam on the Silk Doads: Muslim scholarship in China.” *Meeting Between Asia and Europe: The Nara to Norwich Workshop*, Boğaziçi University, 2023.

“Türkiye’de Çin Çalışmak: Bölge Çalışmaları ve Disipliner Yaklaşımlar,” Medeniyet Üniversitesi, Nisan 2021.

“Rectifying the Name: Sinophone Muslims and Identity Formation in Republican China,” Boğaziçi University, 2020.

“Free Thinkers: Islamic Reform and Ahmadi Thought in Modern China,” Harvard University, March 2017.

“Islam in China: Civilization within a Civilization,” *Institute for Alliance of Civilizations*. Istanbul,

August 2014 and August 2015.

“Introduction to the history of Chinese-speaking Muslims in China,” *Bilim Sanat Vakfi*, Istanbul, 2010.

I-movie show on “Sino-Muslim calligraphy,” Harvard University, 2006.

“Nation-Building in China and Turkey: An Analysis of the Thought of Sun Yat-sen and Mustafa Kemal Ataturk in Comparative Perspective,” *Bilim Sanat Vakfi*, Istanbul, 2004.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND GRANTS

BAP Grant, Boğaziçi University	2023-present
Harvard University Dissertation Completion Grant	2015-2016
Fairbank Summer Research Grant	2011
Presidential Scholarship, Harvard University	2006-2010
Harvard University, Asia Center, Summer School Language Grant	2009
Graduate Student Council Summer Research Grant	2008
Harvard University-GSAS Summer School Tuition Waiver	2008
Fainsod Prize from Davis Center at Harvard University	2006-2007

LANGUAGES

Turkish: Native

English: Advanced

Chinese: Advanced

Classical Chinese: Studied for more than a year

Arabic: Reading knowledge with dictionary help

Japanese: Reading knowledge with dictionary help

Uyghur: Reading knowledge with dictionary help

AREAS OF ACADEMIC INTEREST

History of Late Imperial and Modern China

Intellectual History in China

Ethnicity and Islam in Modern China

Trans-regional Asian History

Intellectual History of Islam in the Modern Period

History of Religion in Modern China

Chinese Diaspora

Comparative History

GRADUATE THESIS SUPERVISED

Alper Cortođlu. *The Dialectics Of Seeing Chinese Urban Modernity : A Study Of Rickshaws In Beijing And Shanghai*, MA Thesis, Philosophy, 2024.

Hasan Can Öztürk. *An Analysis of Chinese Financial and Production Networks in the Turkish Economy*. MA Thesis, Asian Studies, 2025.

Gözde Top, *Shifts in Cultural Policies in Post-Mao China: Analysis of the Sixth-Generation Films under Xi Jinping's Rule*, MA Thesis, Asian Studies, 2024.

Burcu Karaaslan, *The Perception of Chinggis Khan: A Comparison of Medieval Mongolian*, MA Thesis, Asian Studies, 2022.

Zülal Üçışık, *The Impact of American Missionaries on Women's Education in the Ottoman Empire and Korea*, MA Thesis, Asian Studies, 2023.

Yalın Akçevin, *Understanding Jimintō (Liberal Democratic Party) Factionalism as a Structure of Elite Circulation in Japanese Politics*, MA Thesis, Asian Studies, 2022.

SERVICE TO THE ACADEMY

Peer Reviews

Chinese University Press, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Islamic Law and Society, Brill
ReOrient: Journal of Critical Muslim Studies, Pluto
Ethnicities
Journal of Medieval History

REFERENCES

Mark Elliott, Mark Schwartz Professor of Chinese and Inner Asian History
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