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RESEARCH INTERESTS

◆ ageism ◆ population aging ◆ cognition ◆ health disparities ◆ race/ethnicity ◆ social and economic inequality ◆ labor force participation / employment / workforce

EDUCATION

- 2023 **The Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY**
Ph.D. in Sociology
Advanced Certificate in Demography, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research

Dissertation: “Older Adults in the Great Recession: Labor Force Transitions, Perceived Workplace Ageism and Life Satisfaction”
Committee: Richard Alba (Chair), Paul Attewell, Deborah Carr, Mary Clare Lennon
- 2009 **Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France**
M.A. in Health, Population and Social Policy
Thesis: « Birth and Evolution of Social Assistance to the Elderly in Turkey (1960-2008)
- 2008 **Galatasaray Universitesi, Istanbul, Turkey**
B.A in Sociology

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

- July 2022 - June 2023 National Institute on Aging, Pilot Grant (\$25,000), funded through the University of Minnesota Life Course Center on the Demography of Economics and Aging (P30AG066613), **Role:** Research Assistant (PI Frank Heiland), **Project Title:** Perceived Workplace Age Discrimination and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Cognitive Functioning Among Older Workers
- February 2021 [Emerging Scholar](#) – American Sociological Association Aging and the Life Course
- March 2016 CUNY Conference Support Grant
- March 2015 CUNY Conference Support Grant
- 2013 - 2017 Demography Fellowship, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research
- 2008 - 2009 Master’s Scholarship, Agence Universitaire de Francophonie

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- April 2023 - **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, T32 Post-Doctoral Training Program in the Demography and Economics of Aging, RAND Center for the Study of Aging, Santa Monica, CA, US
- Spring 2021 **Adjunct Lecturer**, Lehman College, CUNY, New York, US

- taught an online-synchronous class for **SOC 243 “The Aged in Modern Society”** course
- learning objectives included understanding why and how populations age and what this means for the family structure and the workforce
- centered the course on intersectionality, life course and cumulative advantage/disadvantage theoretical frameworks to understand and explain the social and economic inequalities that manifest in later-life
- prioritized and encouraged student participation by assigning weekly online debate questions (e.g. Do you think the age of the President of the US matters for governance? Tell us why.)
- connected the course subject to current problems such as ageism experienced by older adults during Covid-19 pandemic (e.g., refusal to admit older adults on oxygen tanks in order to give it to younger patients)

Spring 2018

Adjunct Lecturer, Lehman College, CUNY, New York, US

- designed a new syllabus for the **SOC 319 “Population and Society”** (in-person) course
- learning objectives included understanding basic demographic concepts and their calculation, theoretical approaches to population studies and their empirical application
- prioritized student-led discussions to connect three major demographic processes (birth, immigration and death) to various fields of sociology such as sociology of family (e.g. couple formation, reproduction, union dissolution, immigrant families), sociology of health (e.g. healthcare access, caregiving, aging, mortality, disability)
- offered a national (US) and international perspective on demographic changes and their sociological consequences (e.g. population aging in high-income countries, urbanization on low-income countries)

August 2015-2017

Research Fellow, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research, New York, US

- worked with Prof. Richard Alba using the Census and American Community Survey data to examine the demographic distribution of children of ethno-racially mixed couples in the United States

August 2013 - 2015

Research Fellow, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research, New York, US

- worked with Prof. Frank Heiland using data from the US National Longitudinal Mortality Study to examine Black-White mortality differences at older ages (50 +)

Jan. 2011 – Aug. 2012

Program Coordinator, Global Action on Aging, New York, US

- conducted policy research for an UN-based nonprofit on the human rights of older persons
- organized fundraising events, wrote fundraising proposals and evaluation reports
- organized seminars for the retiree division of Communications Workers of America Local 1180
- convened subcommittee meetings under the NGO Committee on Aging
- coordinated and supervised a group of international interns

March- Dec. 2010

Project Coordinator, Community Volunteers Foundation, Istanbul, Turkey

- coordinated a nationwide education project in cooperation with the Ministry of Education of Turkey
- trained and supervised volunteers in five cities
- managed corporate relations with the project partners
- wrote administrative and financial reports

Aug. 2009 – Feb. 2010

Research Associate, Global Policy Forum, New York, US

- conducted research for social & economic policy and globalization portfolios ● organized NGO working group meetings on food and hunger ● maintained the website

PUBLICATIONS

- Peer-reviewed Alba, Richard, Brenden Beck, and **Duygu Basaran Sahin**. 2018. "The Rise of Mixed Parentage: A Sociological and Demographic Phenomenon to Be Reckoned With", *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 677:1, 26-38, DOI: 10.1177/0002716218757656
- Alba, Richard, Brenden Beck, and **Duygu Basaran Sahin**. 2017. "The U.S. mainstream expands – again" *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 44:1, 99-117, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2017.1317584>
- Book Chapters **Basaran Sahin, Duygu**. 2019. "Family Poverty Among Older Adults" in *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*, edited by Danan Gu and Matthew E. Dupre, Switzerland: Springer International
- Basaran Sahin, Duygu** and Frank Heiland W. 2016. "Black-White Mortality Differentials at Old-Age: New Evidence from the National Longitudinal Mortality Study" pp. 149-170 in *Applied Demography and Public Health in the 21st Century*, edited by M. Nazrul Hoque, Beverly Pecotte and Mary A. McGehee, Switzerland: Springer International
- Book Reviews **Basaran Sahin, Duygu**. 2016. "Speculative markets drug circuits and derivative life in Nigeria", *New Genetics and Society*, 35:4, 411-413, DOI: 10.1080/14636778.2014.998820
- Basaran Sahin, Duygu**. 2015. "Senior Citizens Behind Bars: Challenges for Criminal Justice System", *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*, 44:6, 874-874.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- November 2023 Duygu Basaran Sahin, "**Perceived Workplace Age Discrimination and Older Workers' Labor Force Transitions During the Great Recession**", forthcoming paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Meeting.
- November 2023 Duygu Basaran Sahin, Frank Heiland, Na Yin, Ruth Finkelstein, and Ryan Smith. "**Perceived Workplace Age Discrimination and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Cognitive Functioning Among Older Workers**", forthcoming paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Meeting.
- August 2023 Duygu Basaran Sahin, Frank Heiland, Na Yin, Ruth Finkelstein, and Ryan Smith. "**Perceived Workplace Age Discrimination and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Cognitive Functioning Among Older Workers**", paper presentation at the Data-Intensive Research Conference (University of Minnesota Life Course Center and IPUMS Collaboration).

- August 2023 Duygu Basaran Sahin, Frank Heiland, Na Yin, Ruth Finkelstein, and Ryan Smith. **“Perceived Workplace Age Discrimination and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Cognitive Functioning Among Older Workers”**, paper presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.
- April 2023 Duygu Basaran Sahin, Frank Heiland, Na Yin, Ruth Finkelstein, and Ryan Smith. **“Perceived Workplace Ageism and Cognitive Functioning Among Older Workers”**, poster presentation at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting.
- August 2021 Duygu Basaran Sahin. **“Later-life Employment in the Great Recession”**, round table discussion presentation at the American Sociological Society Annual Virtual Meeting.
- May 2021 Duygu Basaran Sahin. **“Gender Differences in Later-life Employment in the Great Recession”**, paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Virtual Meeting.
- April 2017 Alba, Richard, Brenden Beck, and Duygu Basaran Sahin. **“The U.S. mainstream expands – again”**, co-presented paper presentation at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- March 2016 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“Spatial Analysis of Poverty, Race and Gender in New York City Public Housing”**, paper presentation at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- August 2015 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“Racial and Ethnic Differences in Housing Quality and Public Housing Units in New York City”**, paper presentation at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL
- August 2015 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“Racial and Ethnic Differences in Home Ownership and Housing Quality: New Findings from the New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey”**, round table presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL
- April 2015 Basaran Sahin, Duygu and Heiland, Frank W. **“Do Blacks Have Greater Probability of Survival than Whites at Very Old Ages? Cohort Perspective from the National Longitudinal Mortality Study”**, poster presentation at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA
- February 2015 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“Social Media and Politics in Turkey: A Mysterious Relationship”**, paper presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New York, NY
- August 2014 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“Rethinking Durkheim’s Lectures on the Family”**, paper presentation at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA

October 2010 Basaran Sahin, Duygu. **“What Does it Mean to Live in a Nursing Home in Turkey: choice or obligation?”** poster presentation at the International Congress of Geriatrics and Gerontology, Nice, France

OTHER ACADEMIC SERVICES

2020-2021 **Reviewer** - Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences
2021 **Session presider** – American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting
2014 – Present **Twitter Manager** – ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course
2020 - 2022 **Twitter Co-Manager**, ASA Section on Inequality, Poverty and Mobility

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

2014 – Present **Population Association of America**
2014 – Present **American Sociological Association** (Section membership for: Aging and Life Course; Inequality, Poverty and Mobility; Race, Gender, Class; Population)
2021 - Present **Gerontological Society of America**

SKILLS

Language: English, Turkish (Native), French (Fluent- DALF: C1)
Statistical/Spatial Analysis: STATA, SPSS, ArcGIS