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Academic

St. Olaf College

Appointments Associate Professor of Political Science

September 2024 - present

Assistant Professor of Political Science

August 2018 - August 2024

Director of International Relations Concentration

July 2020 - present

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- Ph.D., Political Science

July 2018

Dissertation: Ending Economic Coercion and the Consequences of Sanctions Removal

- M.A., Political Science

May 2014

Sabanci University (Istanbul, Turkey)

- B.A., Social and Political Sciences, High Honors

June 2012

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Menevis Cilizoglu and Chelsea Estancona. 2025. "Race to Adapt: Multilateral Sanctions and Criminal Sanctions-Busting Networks" *British Journal of Political Science*.
- Menevis Cilizoglu, Efe Tokdemir and Omer Zarpli. 2025. "To Punish or to Reward? The Effect of Sanction Threats on Public Opinion," *International Interactions* 51(4): 668-688.
- 3. Yoshiharu Kobayashi, Menevis Cilizoglu, Tobias Heinrich, and William Christiansen. 2024. "No Entry in a Pandemic: Public Support for Border Closures," *American Journal of Political Science* 68(2): 372–389.
- 4. Navin A. Bapat and Menevis Cilizoglu. 2023. "Economic Sanctions and the Escalation of Terrorism" *Journal of Global Security Studies*. 8(3).
- 5. Menevis Cilizoglu. 2023. "Ending Economic Sanctions in the Shadow of Bargaining Problems," Foreign Policy Analysis 19(2).
- Bryan R. Early and Menevis Cilizoglu, eds. 2020 "Economic Sanctions in Flux: Enduring Challenges, New Policies, and Defining the Future Research Agenda" *International Studies Perspectives*, 21 (4):438–477.
 - Bryan R. Early and Menevis Cilizoglu. "Introduction."
 - David Lektzian, Susan Allen, Menevis Cilizoglu, and Yi-hao Su. "The Consequences of Economic Sanctions."

7. Menevis Cilizoglu and Navin A. Bapat. 2020. "Economic Coercion and the Problem of Sanctions-Proofing" Conflict Management and Peace Science, 37(4):385-408.

PEER-REVIEWED CHAPTERS

1. Menevis Cilizoglu and Bryan R. Early. 2021. "Researching Modern Economic Sanctions" Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Manuscripts Under Review

- 1. "Confidence in Border Vetting and Refugee Acceptance" with Tobias Heinrich and Yoshiharu Kobayashi.
- 2. "Why People Continue to Demand Tougher Border Policies: Journalistic Gatekeeping and What People Read Shape Attitudes" with Tobias Heinrich and Yoshiharu Kobayashi.

Papers in Progress

- 1. "Sanctions, Foreign Direct Investment, and Firms' Ex Ante Risk Assessment"
- 2. "Congressional Action on Economic Sanctions: The Role of News Media" with Colin Harris.
- 3. "Fighting COVID-19 or Permanently Empowering the Government? A Public Opinion Analysis." with Tobias Heinrich and Yoshiharu Kobayashi.
- 4. "Sustaining Economic Peace: When Do Sanctions Snap Back?"

Awards & Grants

- St. Olaf College, Faculty Development Grant: \$5,000 (2023)
- International Studies Association Research Workshop Grant, with Chelsea Estancona: \$2,200 (2021)
- The Murata Science Foundation Research Grant, with Tobias Heinrich and Yoshiharu Kobayashi: \$18,600 (2020)
- American Political Science Association, Small Research Grant with Efe Tokdemir: \$2,400 (2020)
- St. Olaf College, Faculty Development Grant: \$6,000 (2020)
- UNC-Chapel Hill Political Science Department, Uhlman Summer Research Fellowship: \$2,000 (2016, 2017)
- UNC-Chapel Hill, Graduate Student Transportation Grant: \$400 (2015, 2017)
- American Political Science Association, Travel Award (2017)
- International Studies Association, Travel Award (2016, 2018)
- Southern Political Science Association, Prestage-Cook Travel Award (2016)
- UNC-Chapel Hill Political Science Department, Ayers Travel Award (2016)

TEACHING RECORD

St. Olaf College

- Introduction to International Relations: Fall 24, Fall 23, Fall 22, Spring 21, Spring 20, Spring 19
- International Political Economy: Spring 23, Spring 22, Fall 20, Fall 19, Fall 18
- Seminar on Economic Statecraft: Spring 23, Spring 22, Fall 20, Fall 19, Fall 18
- Politics of Authoritarian Survival: Fall 22, Spring 21, Spring 20, Spring 19
- International Organizations: Fall 24, Interim 22, Fall 19
- Politics Practicum in Washington, DC: Interim 2021

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- International Organizations and Global Issues: Fall 17
- Introduction to International Relations: Spring 16, Fall 16, Spring 17, Spring 18

Bahcesehir University (Istanbul, Turkey)

- Instructor of Short Course, Introduction to LATEX: Summer 2014

Invited Talks &

Presentations

- St. Olaf Center for Innovation in the Liberal Arts, "Teaching in the Context of AI." (February 2024)
- The German Institute for Global and Area Studies, Workshop on "Trends in International Sanction: The Design, Enforcement, and Termination of Economic Coercion" (June 2023)
- Loyola University Chicago, Department of Political Science (November 2022)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Political Science, IR Brown Bag (February 2021 and November 2021)
- Women in Conflict Studies (WICS) Professional Development Series. Presenter on "Seeking an Academic Job" (September 2020)
- Sabanci University, Department of Political Science (November 2019)
- University of Iowa, Department of Political Science (March 2019)
- University of South Carolina, Walker Institute (March 2018)
- Duke University, Department of Political Science (February 2018)

Public Engagement

- Guest Contributor: "The WHO Recommends Avoiding Border Closures During Pandemics. Why Did People Want Them Closed During COVID Breakouts?" with Y. Kobayashi, T. Heinrich, and W. Christiansen. *The Duck of Minerva*. July 2023.
- Guest Speaker: Petoskey District Library Foreign Policy Discussion Group (Petoskey, Michigan.) March 2023.
- Guest Speaker: National Security This Week With Jon Olson KYMN Radio. August 2022.
- Guest Contributor: "Why Offshore Finance Limits U.S. Sanctions Against Russia" with Chelsea Estancona. *Political Violence at a Glance*. April 2022.
- Guest Speaker: "Imposition and Termination of Economic Sanctions: Domestic and Economic Effects." *Iowa City Foreign Relations Council Speaker Series*, March 2019.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- International Studies Association Annual Convention (2025; 2024; 2021; 2018; 2017; 2015)
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2025; 2024; 2020, 2019; 2018)
- Peace Science Society (International) Annual Meeting (2018; 2017)
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Convention (2016)
- Eurasian Peace Science Conference (2020)
- Journeys in World Politics, University of Iowa (2016)

Professional Service

To Discipline

- Panel Discussant: Research Frontiers of Economic Sanctions Workshop. University of Pennsylvania (September 2024)
- Grant Application Reviewer: American Political Science Association Spring Centennial Center Research Grants (May 2024)
- Discussant: Online Peace Science Colloquium (March 2023)
- Co-Organizer: International Studies Association Annual Conference Workshop: "Monitoring Illicit International Finance" (2021)
- Organizer: American Political Science Association Annual Conference Panel: "Strategic Decisions on Economic Sanctions" (2019)
- Co-Organizer: Peace Science Society Annual Conference Workshop: "Advancing the Research Agenda on Coercive Economic Statecraft" (2018)

- Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Interactions, International Studies Perspectives, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Pearson Education, Review of International Organizations

Within St. Olaf College

- Chair, Political Science Tenure Track Search Committee Fall 2024
- Elected Member, Faculty Governance Committee August 2022 May 2024
- Member, Collaborative Undergraduate Research and Inquiry Advising Board September 2023 - May 2024
- Member, Race, Ethnic, Gender and Sexuality Studies Tenure-Track Search Committee Fall 2022
- Member, International Relations Visiting Assistant Prof. Search Committee Spring 2021 & 2022 & 2024
- Selection Committee Member, Davis Projects for Peace 2021, 2022, 2023
- Member, Staff and Faculty Wellbeing Committee 2021-22
- Organizer, International Relations Speaker Series
- Advisor, Model United Nations September 2018 present

2021

- Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha September 2019 - present

Additional Training Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), Duke University Summer Institute, 2016