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## EDUCATION

- 2016 PhD in Regional Planning, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2009 MSc in Economics, The London School of Economics and Political Science, Specialization in Development Economics
- 2008 BA in Economics, Sabanci University Istanbul, Turkey

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Transnational Planning, Development Theory, Community Development, Displacement, Qualitative Methods, Megaprojects, Knowledge and Policy Mobility, Economics for Planners

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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- 2015- Present Lecturer, The Ohio State University, City and Regional Planning Section
- 2013-2015 Research Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Regional Economics Applications Laboratory (REAL).
- 2011-2013 Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Finance Department
- 2009-2011 Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Economics Department
- 2009 Teaching Assistant, Sabanci University, Turkey

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2016 Ay, D. and Miraftab, F. (2016). Invented Spaces of Activism: Gezi Park and Performative Practices of Citizenship. in Daniel Hammett and Jean Grugel (eds.) The Palgrave Handbook of International Development. Palgrave MacMillan.

### Manuscripts under review:

- 2017 Ay, D. and Demires-Ozkul, B. Mitigating Disaster Risk in the Risk Society: An Unconventional Megaproject for the Aspiring 'Global City' Istanbul

2017 Ay, D. (De)Centralization of Planning Authority and Uneven Community Responses to State-led Redevelopment: An Analysis of Three Urban Renewal Projects in Turkey

2017 Ay, D. Book Review: Cities of the Global South Reader, by Miraftab, F. and Kudva, N.

### **Manuscripts in preparation:**

Ay, D. and Demires-Ozkul, B. Institutional Setbacks to Public Participation in Resilience Planning: Earthquake Risk Mitigation in Istanbul for *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*

Ay, D. South- South Knowledge Exchange: An International Market for Development Ideas for *Geoforum*

### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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2016 Ay, D., *Mitigating Risk in the Risk Society: An Unconventional Megaproject for the Aspiring Global City Istanbul*, ACSP Conference, Portland, OR, November 2016.

2015 Ay, D., *Is it Possible to Plan Urban Renewal that does not Cause Displacement? A Comparative Analysis of National Urban Renewal Program in Turkey*, International Sociological Association RC 43 Housing and the Build Environment, Chicago, IL, September 2015.

2015 Ay, D., *Invented Spaces of Activism: Gezi Park and Performative Practices of Citizenship*, Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2015.

2014 Ay, D., and Miraftab, F., *Practices of Citizenship: Gezi Park*, American Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 2014.

2014 Ay, D., *Emerging Model for Disaster Mitigation in Istanbul: How the World Bank Project is Assembled through Policy Mutation*, ACSP Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 2014.

2014 Ay, D., *Commodification of Risk through a Transnational Megaproject in the "Emerging Global City" of Istanbul*, Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics Conference, SASE, Chicago, IL, July 2014.

2014 Ay, D., *South- South Knowledge Exchange: An International Market for Development Ideas*, Applied Economics, Regional and Urban Studies Midwest Graduate Student Summit, AERUS, Urbana-Champaign, IL, April 2014.

2013 Ay, D., *Understanding the Relevant City Characteristics in Countrywide Urban Renewal Planning: State-led Urban Renewal in the Context of Disaster Mitigation in Turkey*, Joint AESOP/ACSP Congress, Dublin, July 2013.

- 2011 Ay, D., *Forced Migration and Involuntary Resettlement as a By-Product of Regional Development Projects*, North American Meeting of the Regional Science Association International, NARSC, Miami, FL, November 2011.
- 2011 Ay, D., *Internal Displacement: A By-product of Regional Development Projects*, European Regional Science Conference, ERSA, Barcelona, Spain, September 2011.

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

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- 2016 Graduate College Travel Grant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2015 Graduate College Travel Grant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2015 Lewis D. Hopkins Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2014 Lewis D. Hopkins Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2013-2014 Campus Research Board Award, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (\$18,000 with Professor Geoffrey Hewings)
- 2004-2008 Gallagher Foundation Scholarship

## **INVITED TALKS AND LECTURES**

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- 2017 “Displacement and the City”, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Guest Lecture in UP 335: Cities and Immigrants, January 31.
- 2017 “EU-Turkey migrant deal and its possible impacts on urban areas in Turkey”, The Ohio State University Migration Studies Symposium, April 7.

## **WORKSHOPS AND COURSES ATTENDED**

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- 2017 Course Design Institute, University Center for Advancement of Teaching, The Ohio State University, June 5-9.
- 2012 International Summer School in Forced Migration, Refugee Studies Centre/ Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK, July 1-30

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 2012-2014 *President*, Doctoral Students of Urban Planning (DSUP) Graduate Student Organization, UIUC
- 2013-2014 Conference Committee Chair, 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Graduate Student Summit/ Applied Economic, Regional and Urban Studies (AERUS), UIUC
- 2013 Consultant, Ugur Urban Renewal Planning LLP, Ankara, Turkey
- 2012 Consultant, World Bank/ Economic Policy Research Foundation of Turkey, Turkey Urbanization Review Project
- 2008-2009 Research Analyst, Chown Dewhurst LLP, London, UK.
- 2006 Intern, Central Bank of Turkey, Department of International Relations
- 2006 Intern, State Planning Organization of Turkey

## LANGUAGES

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Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (basic)

## REFERENCES

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