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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University at Buffalo, SUNY, Sociology. Expected 2017.
Committee: Dr. Christopher Mele (chair), Dr. Robert Adelman, and
Dr. Jorge Ardití.
- Qualifying Paper: "How the Past Influences the Present: Examining Urban
Renewal in the United States."
- M.A. University at Buffalo, SUNY, Sociology. 2012.
- B.A. State University of New York at Geneseo, Major: Sociology,
Minor: Business Administration. 2010.

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Urban Sociology	Housing	Race and Ethnicity
Community Development	Social Inequalities	Poverty

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming Kural, Melis. "Lost (and Gained) in Transition: The Contradictions
of Gentrification in Alacati, Turkey" *School of Management Review (SMR)*
"Emerging Perspectives: Society and Academia."

PUBLICATIONS IN PREPARATION

Transformation of Low-Income Settlements into Public Housing: A Case
Kadifekale.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Sociology	(Summer 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016.)
Sociology of Diversity	(Fall 2013, Winter 2014, Winter 2015.)
Race and Ethnicity	(Fall 2015.)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 Kural, Melis. S. "Revisiting Gentrification of Alacati" Shared and Consisted Places, Round Table, American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA. August 22nd.
- 2015 Kural, Melis. S. "The Labor Motivation of Rural Women in Newly Developed Urban Satellites: The Case of Izmir, Turkey" Migration Workshops, Harvard University, Boston, MA. October 1st.
- 2015 Kural, Melis. S. "Adult Social and Collective Activities in Zubeyde Hanim and Uzundere Urban Satellites" Urban Redevelopment Session, American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL. August 24th.
- 2015 Kural, Melis. S. "They Make Profits and We Make Debts": The Aftermath of the Zubeyde Hanim Housing Project Development" Poster Presentation, Urban Affairs Association, Miami, FL. April 10.
- 2015 Kural, Melis. S. "How do Urban Transformation Projects Transform the Lives of Women: The Case of Izmir, Turkey" Gentrification and Urban Redevelopment Session, Eastern Sociological Association, New York City, February 26th.
- 2013 Kural, Melis. S. "Transformation of Low-income Settlements into Public Housing: A Case of Kadifekale," Society of the Study of Social Problems, New York City, August 9th.
- 2012 Kural, Melis. S. "Lost (and Gained) in Transition: The Contradictions of Gentrification in Alacati-Turkey," Society of the Study of Social Problems, Denver, CO. August 17th.
- 2012 Kural, Melis. S. "From Traditional Village to Tourist Hotspot: The Case of Alacati-Turkey", XIII World Congress of Rural Sociology, Lisbon-Portugal. July 31st.
- 2011 Kural, Melis. S. "Understanding International Cultures: Turkey", University at Buffalo, International Education Week, Buffalo, NY. November 21st
- 2011 Kural, Melis. S. "Culture Shock in the Unites States." Buffalo State University, Buffalo, NY. February 14th.
- 2008 Kural, Melis. S. "How Does Gender Affect Career Aspirations," Sociology Program, The State University of New York at Geneseo, April 21st.

SERVICE

Professional Service

- 2015 Session Organizer and Presider, Papers in Round: Community, Urban Sociology, and Poverty/Homelessness. American Sociological Association, August 2015.
- 2015 Session Organizer and Presider, Papers in Round: Social Problems in Urban and Rural Communities, Society of the Study of Social Problems, August 9th, 2013.

Departmental Service

- 2012-2013 Graduate Student Representative (elected), Sociology Graduate Student, University at Buffalo.
- 2011-2012 Vice President (elected), Sociology Graduate Student Association, University at Buffalo.

Editorial Service

International Sociology

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association
Society of the Study of Social Problems
Eastern Sociological Association
Urban Affairs Association

LANGUAGES

Turkish (native language)
English (Fluently)
French (Intermediate)

REFERENCES

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