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EDUCATION

- 2018-2022 **Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey**
MSc | Architectural Design | GPA 3.81/4.00
Thesis: "Anastylosis as an Urban Metaphor: Re-reading Istanbul with Ruminative Exposures"
Research Interests: architectural urban history & theory, urban representations, design pedagogy, design research
- 2013-2018 **Istanbul Technical University (ITU)**
Bachelor of Architecture Double Major Program | GPA 3.54/4.00
- 2012-2017 **Istanbul Technical University (ITU)**
Bachelor of Interior Architecture | GPA 3.48/4.00
- 2015-2016 **Auburn University, Alabama, U.S.**
Aug.-Jan. Exchange Scholar in Faculty of Architecture

ACADEMIC & TEACHING

2020 Jan.- **MEF University, Faculty of Arts, Design, and Architecture**
Department of Interior Design
Research Assistant

- Selection of courses instructed and assisted:
- 2020-21-23 Architectural Design I | Studio Instructor
2020-21-22-23 Architectural Design II | Studio Instructor
- 2021-22 Interior Urbanism | Online Course Coordinator
with Paramita Atmodiwirjo, Gerhard Bruyns, Nerea Feliz
- 21-22 Fall Textile Design | Online Course Coordinator
with Wuthigrai Siriphon, Tiina Paavilainen
- 20-21 Fall Surface Materials | Online Course Coordinator
with Wuthigrai Siriphon, Rishav Jain, Ziyu Zhou
- 20-21 Fall Architectural Technology II | Teaching Assistant with Tomris Akin
19-20 Spring Interior Design & Context | Teaching Assistant with Sevim Aslan
- Design and Build! Studio coordinated projects:
- 2021 MEF FADA Design&Build Studio | Cycle with Beril Sansakal, İrem Korkmaz
2022 MEF FADA Design&Build Studio | Blues with Murad Adalı
2023 MEF FADA Design&Build Studio | ES with İrem Korkmaz
- *MEF FADA Design and Build! Studio aims to explore the power of building and co-producing in architecture education and the spatial, social impact of productions in various environments by partnering with local governments, non-governmental organizations, and industry.

Social media and website committee:
FADA website design - fada.mef.edu.tr

PROFESSIONAL

- 2018- 2020 **Avci Architects** Interior Designer, Architect
Turkish Airlines Domestic and Main Lounges, Radisson Blu Niamey Hotel, Suleymaniye Workshops
Workshop coordinator | with Can Çinici, Gizem Kadioğlu, Han Tümertekin, Nevzat Sayın, Pelin Derviş, Selçuk Avcı, Yüksel Demir
- 2018- 2020 **The Circle - Culture, Art, Research, and Production Platform**
Interior Designer,
GEMSS 2019 Emerging Architects Selection & Exhibition
- Tanju Ozelgin Studio** - Internship | Office
- Istanbul Technical University** - Internship | Academic
Research : Experimental use of waste glasses in cement and concrete production

PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCES

- ..2024 **“Temporal Interventions and Layered Memories: Exploring Alternative Futures in Architecture Through Spatial Cuts”**
Design Principles and Practices, Cultures of Transformative Design Conference
Abstract accepted for full paper presentation
- ..2024 **“Unfolding the Rhythm: Transmediary Thinking in Design”**
EAAE/ARCC Conference 2024, Architecture into the Unknown, Futures of Design Education
co-authors Eda Yeyman, Irem Korkmaz
Abstract accepted for full paper presentation
- (...) **“Revisiting the Ruin Memory: Towards Theorization of Decaying Urban Narratives in Istanbul”**
manuscript in preparation
- 2023 **“Epicrisis of a Topography Through Vandals and Collective Speculations”**
SArPe Erasmus+ Stories of Situated Pedagogies and ... International Workshop
co-authors Derya Uzal, Eda Yeyman, Irem Korkmaz
- 2022 **“Speculative Landscapes”**
Critical Approaches in Interior Design, Interscalar Space & Design
e-ISBN: 978-975-857432-2
co-authors Derya Uzal, Eda Yeyman, Irem Korkmaz
Full paper presentation & published in proceedings
- 2021 **“Unfolding Surfaces and Boundaries of Design Education in Distance Learning, An Alternative Approach”**
Current Developments and Future Approaches in the Pandemic Process: Design Education and Practices National Education Symposium
ISBN 978-625-00-0364-0
Full paper presentation & published in proceedings
- 2021 **MEF FADA Design and Build Studio | Cycle**
Open DBS Book ISBN 978-605-66720-4-0
with MEF FADA Students, Instructors: Beril Sansakal, Irem Korkmaz, Naz Kaya
- 2017 **ITU Interior Architecture Studio Book**
Urban Interiors: Experimental Studio Education
Editor | with Emine Gorgul, Banu Garip

EXHIBITION

DESIGN

- 2021 **Seoul Biennale of Architecture and Urbanism 2021 Crossroads, Building the Resilient City Refuge Design: Intertwined**
designed with MEF FADA Design Lab + constructed and exhibited in the biennale
- 2019 **GEMSS 2019 Emerging Architects Selection & Exhibition**
with The Circle Space
- 2014 **POSIAC Perceptions of Space | Alan Istanbul**

SYMPOSIUM

ORGANIZATIONS

- 2021 **Adaptive Reuse of Industrial Heritage in Design Education in Turkey**
with Ahmet Sezgin, Sergio Taddonio, Ozum Karadag

COMPETITIONS

WORKSHOPS

- MIMED [ARCHED]** 3rd year category | Jury Special Award
- KOCTAS Interior Design Competition** Resting/Storage Space Design | with Burcu Berberoglu, Yasemin Zinzade | Honourable Mention
- POSIAC** Perceptions of Space | Workshop Participant
- IFAC** International Festival of Art & Construction | Workshop Participant