



“Women’s and Gender Studies in Turkey”

Seminar: WiSe 2018-19, bi-weekly on Friday

Instructed by Dr. Charlotte Binder (CB), Deniz Dag (DD), Betül Yayar (BY)

Time: 12:00pm-16:00 pm, Place: University of Bremen, GW1 B0100

If you like to attend please inform Prof. Dr. Betül Yayar (betuyayar@gmail.com or yayar@uni-bremen.de)

| Dates/Sem./Mod./Gen Title/Time/Place | Titles of the Speeches | Guest Lecturers |
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| <p>Seminar IV. 30.11.2018 Moderator B. Yayar</p> <p><i>Politics of the Body-Sexuality</i></p> <p>12:00pm-16:00 pm, GW1 B0100</p> | <p>“Hegemonic Masculinity and Muscular Bodies”</p> <p>“(Feminist) Resistance Strategies Against Body Politics: Examples from Recent Era”</p> |  <p>Olga Selin Hünler</p>  <p>Aslı Polatdemir</p> |
| <p>Seminar V. 14.12.2018 Moderator B. Yayar</p> <p><i>Some Conceptual and Theoretical Debates</i></p> <p>12:00pm-16:00 pm, GW1 B0100</p> | <p>“Feminist Debates on Gender Violence in Turkey: Paradigms, Problematics and Prospects”</p> <p>“Politics of/and Feminist Knowledge Production”</p> |  <p>Alev Özkazaç</p>  <p>Simten Coşar</p> |
| <p>Seminar VI. 11.01.2019 Moderator B. Yayar</p> <p><i>Gender and Law</i></p> <p>12:00pm-16:00 pm, GW1 B0100</p> | <p>“Women’s Movement and Peace Struggle in Turkey: The Uses of International Law Instruments”</p> <p>“Women and the Law in Turkey: Revisiting the Legal Framework on Gender-Based Violence”</p> |  <p>Zeynep Kivilcim</p>  <p>Tuğçe Ellialtı-Köse</p> |

SEMINAR IV. 30.11.2018
POLITICS OF THE BODY-SEXUALITY
OLGA SELİN HÜNLER



"Hegemonic masculinity and muscular bodies"

Affiliation: Visiting Researcher, Universität Bremen, Institut für Ethnologie und Kulturwissenschaft

Short Bio: Dr. Olga S. Hünler is a The Philipp Schwartz Initiative of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation fellow hosted at Institut für Ethnologie und Kulturwissenschaft in Universität Bremen, Germany. She graduated from the Psychology Department of the Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey. She completed her graduate studies in the clinical psychology program at the same university. During her Ph.D., she was a visiting researcher at European Research Centre on Migration and Ethnic Relations for a year. She completed her Ph.D. Thesis (in December 2007) on the psychological integration of newcomer Turkish immigrants in the Netherlands. Between 2012 and 2016, Olga S. Hünler was the vice president of the Turkish Psychological Association. She has teaching experience in several universities, including, J. W. Goethe-Universität, Universität Bremen, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Erasmus Exchange), Izmir University of Economics, Middle East Technical University, and Ege University. Her main teaching focus is on Cross-Cultural Psychology, Gender, Theories of Personality, and Abnormal Psychology. Olga S. Hünler has a keen interest in the intersectionality of clinical psychology and culture. Her research scope includes, but is not limited to, migration, gender, masculinity, and LGBTI activism. Her recent project is focused on “the construction of masculinities in sports-playing young men with a Turkish background.”

ASLI POLATDEMİR**(Feminist) Resistance Strategies Against Body Politics: Examples from Recent Era**

Short Bio: Asli Polatdemir completed her studies (MA) in Political Science with the accompanying subject Near and Middle Eastern Studies at Heidelberg University in 2013 as a DAAD scholarship holder. She obtained her BA degree in International Relations at Istanbul University in 2011. She worked as research assistant and co-coordinator in the project “Comparing women's movements in different cities in Turkey” at the University of Bremen between 2014 and 2017. Her research and teaching focus areas are: Gender Politics in Turkey and the Middle East, Representation-Gender-Empowerment and the Internet, Gender Perspectives in Postcolonial Studies. Her ongoing doctoral project bears the title: “Empowerment Concepts of Women’s Movements in Turkey: A Foucauldian Analysis of Subjectification Through Websites” and supported by the Heinrich Böll Foundation with a doctoral scholarship.

ALEV ÖZKAZANÇ

**“Feminist Debates on Gender Violence in Turkey: Paradigms, Problematics and Prospects”**

Affiliation: Academic Visitor, European Studies Center, ST Antony's College, University of Oxford

Short Bio: She is a Professor of Political Science and Gender Studies. She has retired from *Faculty of Political Sciences, Ankara University* in 2016. She holds a BA degree in Political Science from *ODTÜ Ankara*, MA in Political Theory from *University of Essex*, and PH. D in Political Science from *Ankara University*. For more than twenty years she has taught various courses on Turkish politics, political sociology, political psychology, political theory, feminist and queer theory, crime and punishment and psychoanalysis. She was the Director of *Graduate Program on Gender and Women's Studies* in Ankara University between 2008-2016. She has been one of the founding members of the *Support Center Against Sexual Harassment* at the same University. Her academic interest focuses on the political sociology of neoliberal societies, mostly Turkey, bio politics of gender, anti-gender mobilizations in the face of authoritarian populisms, gender violence in relation with neoliberal and authoritarian regimes, radical democracy and feminist movements. Her published books are: *The New Right and After: Writings in Political Sociology* (Dipnot, 2007), *Neoliberal Appearances: Citizenship, Crime and Education* (Dipnot, 2011), *Sexuality, Violence and Law* (Dipnot, 2013), *Feminism and Queer Theory* (Dipnot, 2015).

SİMTEN COŞAR (online)



“Politics of/and Feminist Knowledge Production”

Affiliation: Visiting Scholar, Institute for European Studies (IES), Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies

Short-Bio: Simten Coşar - feminist political scientist. Currently she is a Visiting Scholar at the Cornell Institute for European Studies. She is the co-editor of *Universities in the Neoliberal Era: Academic Cultures and Critical Perspectives* and of *Silent Violence: Neoliberalism, Islamist Politics and the AKP Years in Turkey* (2012). She authored articles on her research interests such as political thought, Turkish politics, feminist political activism, and neoliberal transformations in universities.

ZEYNEP KIVILCIM



“Women’s Movement and Peace Struggle in Turkey: The Uses of International Law Instruments”

Affiliation: Einstein Fellow at Institut für Sozialwissenschaften, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Short Bio: Zeynep Kivilcim is an associate professor of public international law. She got her MA and PhD degrees from Université Paris II and she taught gender and law, critical approaches to public international law and international human rights law, at Istanbul University. In Germany she taught at Gottingen University, Osnabrück University and Humboldt University. She adopts critical approach and employs feminist and postcolonial theory. She is currently Einstein Fellow at Institut für Sozialwissenschaften, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

TUĞÇE ELLİALTI-KÖSE (Online)**“Women and the Law in Turkey: Revisiting the Legal Framework on Gender-Based Violence”**

Affiliation: University of Pennsylvania

Short Bio: Tuğçe Ellialtı-Köse is a PhD candidate in Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and affiliated with the Alice Paul and the Evelyn Jacobs Ortner research centers at the same university. She holds a BA degree in Sociology from Boğaziçi University and an MA degree in Cultural Studies from Sabancı University. She also holds a Graduate Certificate in the Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies Program from the University of Pennsylvania. Her academic interests are in gender and sexuality studies, socio-legal studies, feminist theory and sociology, ethnographies of the state, cultural studies, women's movements and qualitative methods. In her doctoral dissertation, using ethnographic research methods, she examines the (re)production of normative discourses on femininity, sexuality and morality by exploring the treatment of cases of sexual violence in medico-legal institutions and courts in the wake of legal reforms in Turkey. Her previous publications include a book chapter entitled “The State, Law, and Feminist Struggles in the Neoliberalizing City: The Istanbul Courthouse as a Contested Space,” an article on the disciplinary discourses of sexual morality on women's pre-marital sexual activity in Turkey, which appeared in the special issue of *Cogito* on Michel Foucault; several op-eds on sexual violence, honor crimes, and women's movements; three encyclopedia entries on child abuse, family violence, and virginity; and a review of the book entitled ‘Honor’: Crimes, Paradigms and Violence against Women (edited by Lynn Welchman and Sara Hossain). Currently she works as sessional instructor at the University of Toronto Mississauga and is teaching the course Introduction to Women, Public Policy and the Law in Fall 2018.