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Education

Associate Professorship in Social Psychology, Inter-Universities Council (UAK) – 2024

Ph.D. in Social Psychology, Ege University - 2014

Title: Place identity, the meanings of place, and the acculturation process in multiple group identities.

(Supervisor: Melek Göregenli)

M.A. in Social Psychology, Ege University - 2007

Title: The mental representations and the meanings of Izmir Cultural Park.

(Supervisor: Melek Göregenli)

B.Sc. in Psychology, Ege University – 2003

Professional Appointments

Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Psychology (September 2021-)
Ankara Medipol University, Department of Psychology (February 2021- June 2021)
Istinye University, Department of Psychology, Istanbul (October 2020-February 2021)
Istinye University, Department of Psychology, Istanbul (April 2017-July, 2020)
Gediz University, Department of Psychology, Izmir (October 2015 – July, 2016)
Izmir Chamber of Commerce – The Department of Public Research Office, Izmir, Turkey
Ata Bilgi Center of Special Education and Rehabilitation for Disabled Children

Awards and Achievements

19-30th April, 2015 The Turkey-Armenia Travel Grant- “Support to the Armenia-Turkey Normalisation Process”-European Union
The Hrant Dink Foundation and Civitas Foundation, Yerevan, Armenia.
Purpose: Preliminary research including interviews with professionals who work on Armenian female labour immigrants in Turkey.

- 16-19th July, 2012 Advanced Research Training Seminars (ARTS) Fellowship
 Steering Committee: IACCP-IAAP-IUPsyS - Stellenbosch University, South Africa
 Topic: Research as Praxis: Action and Theory-Making and Application in Community Psychology
 Main facilitators: Sandy Lazarus, Mohamed Seedat
- 6-8th July, 2011 International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)-Summer Academy Scholarship
 Istanbul Bilgi University-Istanbul, Turkey
 Topic: Theoretical and methodological approaches in the field of political psychology.
 Lecturers: Bert Klandermans, Steven Reicher, Jim Sidanius, Martha Crenshaw, Peg Hermann, & Catarina Kinnvall
- 20th March- 3rd April, 2011 Council of International Fellowship (C.I.F.) Exchange Programme
 University of Applied Sciences, School of Social Work and Law-Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 Purpose: Visiting social services based on community development, integration of immigrant groups, domestic violence, drug policy, and legislation
- September 2006-March 2007 Socrates Erasmus Programme
 Department of Social Psychology at Ruhr University-Bochum, Germany

Research Interests

Social Psychology: Environmental Psychology, Cross-cultural Psychology, Political Psychology

Socio-cognitive representations of place and cognitive mapping; place attachment and place identity; spatial and collective memory; attitudes toward climate change and pro-environmental behaviors; migration, forced relocation, displacement, and natural disasters; acculturation and spatial integration; marginalization; social identity; intergroup relations; prejudice and discrimination; hate crimes and hate speech; microaggression and microaffirmation; gender ideology and place; social representations; attitudes toward human rights and peace; qualitative research methods, thematic content analysis, and critical discourse analysis.

Publications

Journal covered by ISI (SSCI, SCI, AHCI)

Kuper, N., Gardiner, G., Baranski, E., Funder, D. C., **Members of the International Situations Project**, & Rauthmann, J. F. (in press). Cultural differences in the personality triad: The interplay of personality traits, situation characteristics, and behavioral states around the world. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

- Baranski, E., Gardiner, G., Shaman, N., Shagan, J., Lee, D., Funder, D. & **Members of the International Situations Project** (2024). Personality and conceptions of religiosity across the world's religions. *Journal of Research in Personality*, 110, 104496, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrp.2024.104496>.
- Gardiner, G., Lee, D. I., Baranski, E., Funder, D., **Members of the International Situations Project** (2023). The economic well-being of nations is associated with positive daily situational experiences. *Current Research in Ecological and Social Psychology*, 4, 100088. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cresp.2023.100088>
- Baranski, E., Sweeny, K., Gardiner, G., **Members of the International Situations Project**, Funder, D. (2021). International optimism: Correlated and consequences of dispositional optimism across 61 countries. *Journal of Personality*, 89 (2), 288-304. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jopy.12582>
- Baranski, E., Gardiner, G., Lee, D., Funder, D., **Members of the International Situations Project** (2021). Who in the world is trying to change their personality traits? Volitional personality change among college students in 6 continents. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 121(5), 1140-1156. <https://doi.org/10.1037/pspp0000389>
- Gardiner, G., Lee, D., Baranski, E., Funder, D., **Members of International Situations Project** (2020). Happiness around the world: A combined etic-emic approach across 63 countries. *PLOS ONE*, 15(12): e0242718. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0242718>
- Lee, D. I., Gardiner, G., Baranski, **Members of International Situations Project**, Funder, D. (2020). Situational experience around the world: A replication and extension in 62 countries, *Journal of Personality*, 88, 1091-1110. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jopy.12558>
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Gökten, C. (2016). Acculturation attitudes and urban-related identity of internal migrants in three largest cities of Turkey. *Migration Letters*, 13 (3), 413-428. <https://doi.org/10.33182/ml.v13i3.294>
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Kösten, Y.Ö. ve Umuroğlu, G. İ. (2014). A study on neighbourhood attachment in relation to urban related identity. *Turkish Journal of Psychology*, 29 (73), 73-85.

Publications in other refereed journals

- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş-Akalın, P.** (2018). Etnik kimlik ve Avrupalı kimliğinin Türkiye'nin AB'ye girmesi yönündeki tutumlarla ilişkileri (The relation between ethnic identity and European identity and attitudes towards EU). *Turkish Psychological Articles: Society, Identity and Politics (Special Issue)*, 21, 22-34 (Summary in English pp. 35-37).
- Karakuş-Akalın, P.** (2017). İzmir Kültürpark'ın Anımsa(ma)dıkları: Temsiller, Mekanlar, Aktörler. Kitap Değerlendirme Yazısı ("Book Review"). *Meltem: Journal of the Izmir Mediterranean Academy*, 1, Summer 2017: 88-91.

Doğan, A., Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2016). Youth mental health context in Turkey. *The European Health Psychologist*, 18 (3), 116-118.

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2014). The spatial dimension in migration research: Cultural and spatial integration. *Turkish Psychological Articles*, 17 (34), 101-115

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Bierhoff, H.W. (2012). The values and attitudes towards TEU in a cross-cultural sample. *Psychology Research*, 2 (6), 343-360.

Books

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Umuroğlu, İ., Ömüriş, E. (2013). *Selçuk kent belleği: Dün, bugün ve geleceğin zihinsel temsilleri. (Selçuk urban memory: The cognitive representations of past, today and future)*. Selçuk Belediyesi, Selçuk Efes Kent Belleği Yayınları. İzmir: Mediform Ambalaj Matbaacılık Reklamcılık San. Tic. Ltd. Şti. ISBN: 978-60-88682-3-6.

Göregenli, M., Ömüriş, E., **Karakuş, P.** (2011). *İzmir Barosu üyelerinin çeşitli değişkenler açısından özellikleri, sorunları, çözüm önerileri (The occupational experiences and issues of İzmir Law Society Members)*. İzmir: İzmir Barosu Yayınları. ISBN: 978-605-5614-89-8.

Book Chapters

Karakuş-Akalın, P. & Husnu, S. (2025). Social psychological underpinnings of gender-based aggression and hate crime today. In F. Bayraktar & S. Husnu (Eds.). *Understanding aggression: Insights from psychology and related disciplines* (pp. 151-176). Nova Science Publishers

Karakuş-Akalın, P. & Soygüt Pekak, G. (2023). Eylem araştırmasından katılımlı eylem araştırmasına: Fotoanlatı yöntemi (*From action research to participatory action research: Photovoice method*). In H. P. Dural & M. Karasu (Eds.). *Nitel Araştırma Yöntemleri: Psikoloji Uygulama Örnekleriyle* (pp. 361-394). Nobel Akademik Yayıncılık, No: 4159. ISBN: 978-625-397-925-6

Karakuş-Akalın, P., Göregenli, M. & Karasu, M. (2023). The collective identity in Kurds: From collective memory of rights violations to rights consciousness. In E. Şen, E. S. Onal, M. S. Uysal Y. Acar (Eds.). *The Political Psychology of Kurds in Turkey: Critical Perspectives on Identity, Narratives, and Resistance* (pp.53-76). Palgrave Macmillan Cham: Palgrave Studies in Political Psychology Series. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-33291-3>

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2023). Çocukluk anlatılarında İzmir Fuarı: İmgeler, duyular ve duygular (Izmir Fair in childhood narratives: Images, senses and emotions). In M. Göregenli (Ed.). *Geçmişten Günümüze Kurtuluşunun 100. Yılında İzmir: İzmir, Şehir, Kimlik, Bellek* (pp. 213-281). İzmir Municipality & Ahmet Piriştina City Archive and Museum (APİKAM) Publications.

Karakus-Akalın, P. & Göregenli, M. (2022). The social representations of peace and attitudes towards human rights in Turkey. In H. Cakal & S. Husnu (Eds.) *Examining complex intergroup relations through the lens of Turkey* (pp. 279-296). Routledge CRC Press. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003182436>

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2020). Yer bağlılığı kavramı, modeller, yer bağlılığının birey, toplum ve çevre yaşamına katkıları (*"The concept of place attachment, models, the positive impacts of place attachment on individual, social and environmental life"*). In G. K. Uçar ve D. Hasta (Eds.). *Çevre Psikolojisi: İnsan-Doğa Etkileşimi ve Çevre Davranışı* (*"Environmental Psychology: Human-Nature Interaction and Environmental Behavior"*), (pp. 109-144). Nobel Akademik Yayıncılık.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2020). Bir kamusal mekân olarak İzmir Kültürpark'ın anlam ve temsilleri (*"The meanings and the representations of a public space: Izmir CulturalPark"*). N. Özgen, S. Coşkun (Eds.). *Davranışsal Coğrafya (Humanistic Geography)*, (pp. 115-151). Pegem Akademi Yayıncılık.

Gardiner, G., Sauerberger, K., **The Members of the International Situations Project**, Funder, D.C. (2019). Towards meaningful comparisons of personality in large-scale cross-cultural studies. In A. Realo (Ed.), *In praise of an inquisitive mind: A Festschrift in honor of Jüri Allik on his 70th birthday*—Tartu: University of Estonia Press.

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2015). İzmit'te yer kimliği ve kentin bilişsel temsilleri (*Urban-related identity and mental representations of the province of Izmit in Turkey*). In E.Y.O.Kösten (Ed.), *İzmit: Zaman, mekan, kimlik (Izmit: Time, space and identity)*, (pp. 9-68), Volga Yayıncılık. ISBN: 978-605-9981-19-4.

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2015). Kente bağlılık ve bireycilik-toplulukçuluk: Kültürel ve mekansal göstergeler (*"Urban attachment and individualism-collectivism: The cultural and spatial indicators"*). In B. D. Şeker, İ. Sirkeci ve M.M. Yüceşahin (Eds.) *Göç ve Uyum* (*"Migration and Integration"*), (pp.101-130). Transnational Press London (TPLONDON). ISBN: 978-1-910781-06-7.

Umuroğlu, G.İ., Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2015). Göçmen ya da yerli olmaya ilişkin algılar: Selçuk'la çift-kültürlü özdeşim süreci (*"The preceptions towards being an immigrant or a member of host culture: The bi-cultural identification process with Selçuk Town in Aegean Turkey"*). In B. D. Şeker, İ. Sirkeci ve M.M. Yüceşahin (Eds.). *Göç ve Uyum (Migration and Integration)*, (pp. 267-292). Transnational Press London (TPLONDON). ISBN: 978-1-910781-06-7.

Goregenli, M., Ömuris, E., **Karakuş, P.** (2009). Kemeraltı envanter çalışması (*The inventory research of historical bazaar area, Kemeralti in Izmir, Turkey*). In M. Göregenli (Ed.) *Kemeraltı*, (pp.73-201). Izmir: Izmir Chamber of Commerce Publications. ISBN: 978-9944-60-447-5.

Other publications

Husnu, S. & **Karakus-Akalın, P.** (2025). Intersectional Experiences of LGBTI+s During the Covid-19 Crisis in the Northern part of Cyprus (Kıbrıs'ın Kuzey Kesiminde LGBTI+ Bireylerin Covid-19 Krizi Sırasındaki Kesişimsel Deneyimleri Araştırma Raporu) Research Report. Edited by Y. Müezzın & R. Şaban. EU-funded Helix Project, coordinated by the Queer Cyprus Association.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2022). Yerinden edilme sürecinde benliğin ve sosyal kimliklerin mekansal uzanımı olarak ev ve diğer yaşam çevreleri (*Home and other residential environments as spatial*

extensions of the self and social identities in the context of displacement process). *ONTO Psikoloji Dergisi*, 22, https://www.ontodergisi.com/sayilar_kategori/sayi-22.

Göregenli, M., Krause, U., **Karakuş, P.**, Südaş, İ. (2013). Comenius Project "European Values Education". A cross-cultural comparison between Dutch and Turkish students. Preliminary results. [https://archive.atlasofeuropeanvalues.eu/new/lesmateriaal.php-Research and Publications](https://archive.atlasofeuropeanvalues.eu/new/lesmateriaal.php-Research_and_Publications)

Göregenli, M., Krause, U., **Karakuş, P.**, Südaş, İ. (2013). Comenius Project "European Values Education". A cross-cultural comparison between Dutch and Turkish students. The final report. [https://archive.atlasofeuropeanvalues.eu/new/lesmateriaal.php-Research and Publications](https://archive.atlasofeuropeanvalues.eu/new/lesmateriaal.php-Research_and_Publications)

Published conference papers and abstracts:

Karakuş-Akalın, P. & Çıvgın, U. (2025). Nefret suçlarına yönelik tutumların, faile yönelik olumlu duygular ve otoriterlikle ilişkisi (*The relationship between attitudes towards hate crimes, positive attributions towards the perpetrator and authoritarianism*). 22th National Psychology Congress, October 3-5, Bursa Merinos Cogress and Culture Center, Bursa. The abstract will be published in symposium proceeding in November, 2025.

Sari, E. & **Karakuş-Akalın, P.** (2025). 1950'den 2020'ye Türkiye psikoloji alan yazınında göç çalışmalarının 70 yılı: Temel ilgi alanları ve gelecek için öneriler (*Seventy years of migration studies in psychological literature in Turkey, from 1950 to 2020: Key areas of interest and future recommendations*). 4th International Congress of Social Sciences: Migration, Causes, Problems, Solutions. Centre for Social Sciences, May 17, Online Meeting. The abstract was published in symposium proceeding (pp. 246-249). ISBN: 978-605-73325-7-8. [doi: 10.5281/zenodo.15837086](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.15837086)

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2022). Yer bağlılığının çevre yanlısı davranışlar ve sivil katılımı ilişkisi (*The relationship between place attachment, pro-environmental behaviours and civic engagement*). Environment and Climate Change in Psychology Symposium, Çanakkale 18 Mart University, Department of Psychology & ENVIPSY Research Group, November 26, Online Meeting. The abstract was published in symposium proceeding (pp. 30-31) ISBN: 978-625-8278-21-7

Tambaşar, P. & **Karakuş-Akalın, P.** (2022). Türkiye'de ekolojik gazete haber metinlerinde çevre duyarlılığının sunuluş biçimleri (*The representations of environmental awareness in ecological news reports in Turkey*). Environment and Climate Change in Psychology Symposium, Çanakkale 18 Mart University, Department of Psychology & ENVIPSY Research Group, November 26-27, Online Meeting. The abstract was published in symposium proceeding (pp. 93-94) ISBN: 978-625-8278-21-7.

Sari, E., **Karakuş-Akalın, P.** & Bağcı, M. (2022). Academic achievement and life satisfaction among local and migrant undergraduates: Resilience as a mediator. 26th International Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP, Culture Change: Past, Present, and Future) Proceedings (pp. 232-233), July 12-16, Online Conference (Abstract).

- Karakuş, P.** (2016). *Yere ilişkin anlamların benlik-çevre ve diğerleri ile ilişkiler temelinde incelenmesi (An examination of meanings attributed to the place with regard to relations between self, others and environment)*. Göç ve Uyum: Sosyal, Psikolojik ve Çevresel Boyutlar Paneli. Paper presented at 19th National Psychology Congress Proceedings (pp. 362-363), September 5-7, İzmir: Tepekule Convention and Exhibition Center, Turkey (Abstract).
- Karakuş, P.** (2016). *Barışa yönelik temsillerin çoklu kimliklerle ilişkisi (The relationship between peace representations and multiple group identities)*. Barış: Temsiller, Çözümler, Barış için Eylemek Paneli. Paper presented at 19th National Psychology Congress Proceedings (pp. 361-362), September 5-7, İzmir: Tepekule Convention and Exhibition Center, Turkey (Abstract).
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2014). The relations between socio-spatial mobility and urban-related identity: A comparative analysis of internal migrants and host culture members in six big cities of Turkey. In *4th International Conference: Ecology of Urban Areas Proceedings*, (pp.470-479). Zrenjanin, Serbia. ISBN: 978-86-7672-237 (Full-Text).
- Karakuş, P.**, Göregenli, M., Umuroğlu, G.I. (2014) Göç, çok-kültürlülük, yer kimliği: Yerliler ve göçmenler açısından kente bağlılığın belirleyicileri (*Migration, multiculturalism, place identity: The indicators of urban-related identity among host culture members and intra-country migrants*). Kentsel ve Bölgesel Araştırmalar Ağı (KBAM), 5. Kentsel ve Bölgesel Araştırmalar Sempozyumu: Toplumsal Çeşitlilik, Yeni Söylem, Politikalar, Mekansal Planlama ve Uygulamalar Bildiri Kitabı, 16-18 Ekim 2014, 123-136, Ankara (Full-Text).
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2012). *Conservatism in Turkish context: Is it possible to be both conservative and democrat?*. Paper presented at 4th International Conference of Community Psychology Proceedings (pp. 184), June 21-23, Barcelona, Spain (Abstract).
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Gökten, C. (2012). *Neighborhood evaluation within a place and community attachment perspectives on urban activities*. Paper presented at EuroGeo 2012 Conference: Geography and Global Understanding: Connecting the Sciences Proceedings (pp. 26). , June 1-3, Dublin, Ireland (Abstract).
- Karakuş, P.**, Göregenli, M., Gökten, C. (2012). *Integration to city in relation with place identity and acculturation process in Izmir, Turkey*. Paper presented at EuroGeo 2012 Conference: Geography and Global Understanding: Connecting the Sciences Proceedings (pp. 20), June 1-3, Dublin, Ireland (Abstract).
- Karakuş, P.**, Göregenli, M. (2011). Who is guilty? Undergraduate students' attitudes towards hate crime based on sexual orientation. *International Journal of Arts and Sciences*, 4 (3), 253-264. (Paper was presented at IJAS Conferences. November, 22-25, 2010, University of Washington Rome Center, Italy) (Full-Text).
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2011). Türkiye'deki LGBT bireylerin günlük yaşamlarında maruz kaldıkları heteroseksist ayrımcı tutum ve uygulamalar (*The heterosexist and discriminative attitudes and implications towards LGBT individuals in Turkey*). In A. Erol (Ed.) 6. Homofobi

Karşıtı Buluşma, *Anti-Homofobi Kitabı-3 (The Book of Anti-Homophobia 3)* (pp. 52-62). Ankara, Ostim: Ayrıntı Basımevi (Full-Text).

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Bierhoff, H.W. (2011). *The relationship between the attitudes towards Turkey's entry to the European Union, system justification, and values in a cross-cultural sample*. Paper presented at IACCP Regional Conference International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Proceedings (pp. 102). June 30- July 3, Istanbul, Turkey (Abstract).

Karakuş, P., Tezcan, E., Koucheh, M. R., Göregenli, M. (2009). *The social psychological background of attitudes towards hate crimes*. Paper presented at 3rd Post-Graduate Psychology Students Congress Proceedings (pp. 42), June 24-28, Koç University, Istanbul (Abstract).

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Bierhoff, H.W. (2008). *Türkiye'nin Avrupa Birliği'ne girmesi konusundaki tutumların Türk ve Alman öğrenci örnekleminde karşılaştırılması. Ön çalışma bulgularının değerlendirilmesi (The comparison of attitudes towards Turkey's entry to European Union among Turkish and German university students)*, 15th National Psychology Congress Abstract Book (pp.126), September, 3-5, Istanbul, Turkey (Abstract).

Karakuş, P., Göregenli, M. (2008). *Linking place attachment with social identity orientation: Examining the relationship between place attachment, social identity orientation and integration to city*. Paper presented at ICP Congress 2008: XXIX International Congress of Psychology, July 20-25, Berlin, Germany. (The abstract was published in *International Journal of Psychology*, 43, (3-4), 406-406).

Karakuş, P., Göregenli, M. (2008). *The place attachment and the mental representations of a public space in a Turkish big city*. Poster presented at ICP Congress 2008: XXIX International Congress of Psychology, July 20-25, Berlin, Germany. (The abstract was published in *International Journal of Psychology*, 43, (3-4), 279-279).

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2008). *The determinants of urban-related identity in different cultural contexts*. Paper presented at IACCP 2008 – 19th International Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology Abstract Book (pp. 546). July 27-31, Jacobs University, Bremen, Germany.

Other Conference Presentations

Husnu, S. & **Karakus-Akalin, P.** (2025). Intersectional Experiences of LGBTI+s During the Covid-19 Crisis in the Northern part of Cyprus (Kıbrıs'ın Kuzey Kesiminde LGBTI+ Bireylerin Covid-19 Krizi Sırasındaki Kesişimsel Deneyimleri). EU-funded Helix Project, coordinated by the Queer Cyprus Association, July 16, KTAMS 50th Year Conference Hall, Nicosia, Northern Cyprus.

Karakus-Akalin, P., Göregenli, M. & Karasu, M. (2022). The construction of a politicized collective identity in Turkey: A systematic review study. Paper presented in 45th ISPP Annual Meeting, Democracy as an Achievement: Recognizing tensions, challenges, and aspirations through political psychology , July 14-17, Athens, Greece (Online).

- Karakuş-Akalın, P.,** Göregenli, M. (2019). Attitudes towards human rights in relation to the type of social identity close to the core self. Poster presented at 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Society (ISPP), July, 12-15, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Karakuş-Akalın, P.,** Göregenli, M. (2019). Female migrants are ‘dreaming’: The future wishes for themselves and their children. Poster presented at 16. European Congress of Psychology, July, 2-5, Moscow, Russia.
- Karakuş, P.,** Göregenli, M., Gökten, C. (2016). Social identity categories and social representations of peace construction process in Turkey. Paper presented at 1st International Conference in Contemporary Social Sciences, University of Crete, June, 10-12, Crete, Greece.
- Karakuş, P.** (2016). Barışın sosyal temsilleri (Social representations of peace). Paper presented at II. Nuri Bilgin Psikoloji Günleri, May 27-28, Dokuz Eylul University, DESEM, Izmir, Turkey.
- Karakuş, P.** (2016). Göçmen kadınların İzmir kent merkezine ilişkin değişen algıları ve kamusal mekân kullanımları (Perceptions of Izmir city center and public space usage among intra-country migrant women). Paper presented at II. Nuri Bilgin Psikoloji Günleri, May 27-28, Dokuz Eylul University, DESEM, Izmir, Turkey.
- Karakuş, P.,** Göregenli, M. (2016). Feminities and masculinities: Transformation of gender identities following rural-to-urban migration in Turkey. Paper presented at International Conference, Gender and Migration: Critical Issues and Policy Implications, GENDES, Gediz University Law Faculty, Michigan State University and Coventry University, May, 11-14, Izmir, Turkey.
- Göregenli, M., Umuroğlu, G.İ., **Karakuş, P.** (2015). Gender differences in spatial and cultural integration: Internal migration in Turkey. Paper presented at International Conference on Gender, Culture & Migration, March 6-7, Gdansk, Poland.
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2014). The role of migration in urban-related identity: An Analysis of Internal Migration in Turkey. Poster presented at GREINSUS 2014 – Green Infrastructure and Sustainable Societies/Cities Conference, May 8-10, Izmir, Turkey.
- Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2013). Göçmenlerin kültürlenme eğilimleri, yer kimliği ve bireycilik-toplulukçuluk. İlk sonuçların değerlendirilmesi (The preliminary findings of “Examining urban integration in relation with individualism-collectivism, place identity and acculturation process). Paper presented by Melek Göregenli at Migration Workshop, Ministry of Interior, Directorate General of Migration Management, November 13, Ankara, Turkey.
- Krause, U., Südaş, İ., Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2013). Ideas about nature and the environment in Europe. Paper presented by İlkey Südaş at the Annual Meeting of Turkish Association of Geographers: Geography, The Opportunities and Threats in New Century., 19-21 June, Fatih University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Südaş, İ., Krause, U., Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2013). Migration in Europe, The Netherlands and Turkey. Paper presented by İlkey Südaş at the Annual Meeting of Turkish Association of

Geographers: Geography, The Opportunities and Threats in New Century., 19-21 June, Fatih University, Istanbul, Turkey.

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2012). The attitudes towards acculturation process in internal migrants and host culture members in Izmir. Paper presented at 21st Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP): "Nurturing Diversity for Sustainable Development", July 17-21, Stellenbosch, South Africa (TUBITAK Project No:111K249).

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Umuroğlu, İ. G. (2012). Integration to city in relation with individualism-collectivism and acculturation process in Izmir, Turkey. Paper presented at 21st Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP): "Nurturing Diversity for Sustainable Development", July 17-21, Stellenbosch, South Africa (TUBITAK Project No: 111K249).

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.**, Erdem, T., Umuroğlu, G. İ. (2012). Köşe yazılarında Van Depremi (Van Earthquake in newspaper columns). Paper presented at 17th National Psychology Congress. 25-28 April, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.

Göregenli, M., Umuroğlu, G. İ., Erdem, T., **Karakuş, P.** (2012). Muhafazakarlıkla ilişkili sosyal psikolojik tutumlar: Bir başlangıç çalışması (The social psychological attitudes in relation to conservatism: A preliminary research). Poster presented at 17th National Psychology Congress. 25-28 April, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.

Göregenli, M., **Karakuş, P.** (2011). The effects of different social-identity categories on the attitudes towards Turkey's Entry to European Union. Paper presented at Annual Scientific Meetings of the International Society of Political Society (ISPP), July 9-12, Istanbul, Turkey (TUBITAK Project No: 110K382).

Göregenli, M., Karakuş, P. (2011). Victim experiences in hate crimes based on sexual orientation in Turkey. Paper presented at the 34th Annual Scientific Meetings of the International Society of Political Society (ISPP), July 9-12, Istanbul, Turkey.

Solak, N., **Karakuş, P.** (2006). Homofobinin sosyal psikolojik arkaplanı (The social psychological background of homophobia). Poster presented at 14th National Psychology Congress in Hacettepe University, September 6-7, Ankara, Turkey.

Göregenli, M., Özgen, Y., Teközel, I.M., **Karakuş, P.**, Ömüriş, E. (2006). İzmit'te yer kimliği ve kente bağlılık (Urban attachment and place identity in Izmit). Poster presented at 14th National Psychology Congress in Hacettepe University, September 6-7, Ankara, Turkey.

Akıncı, S., Buğa, D., **Karakuş, P.** (2006). Homofobinin psikolojinin farklı alanları tarafından ele alınması (The evaluation of homophobia in the context of different psychological aspects). 11th National Psychology Students Congress, July, 5-8, Ege University, Izmir, Turkey.

Karakuş, P., Göregenli, M. (2005). Gruplararası ilişki ideolojisi olarak homofobi ve ayrımcılık (The social psychological background of homophobia and discrimination). Paper presented at

1st Post-Graduate Psychology Students Congress. Muğla University, May 11-12, Muğla, Turkey.

Invited Speeches and Presentations

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2025). *Göçün cinsel davranış üzerine etkileri (The impact of immigration on sexual behaviours)*. Sexually Transmitted Diseases TRNC Meeting organized by Turkish Society of Microbiology and TRNC Microbiology Platform, October 17, Girne American University, Spectrum Congress Hall, North Cyprus.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2025). *Şiddet genlerimizde mi? Deneyimlerimizde mi? – Münazara Etkinliği'nde Dr. Çığır Kalfaoğlu ile birlikte moderatörlük (Moderator at Is violence rooted in our genes, or is it shaped by our experiences? Debate)*. 17th EMU Psychology Days, Psychology Students Club, May 12, EMU CL Building, Famagusta, North Cyprus.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2024). *Göç sonrası yer duygusunun yeniden inşası ve kültürel uyum (The reconstruction of sense of place and cultural adaptation following migration)*. IV. Trauma Symposium by the Trauma, Disaster, and Crisis Working Group of the Izmir Branch of the Turkish Psychologists Association, 14-15 December, Izmir Economy University, Izmir, Turkey.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2022). *Göçmen kadınların İzmir'i (The city of Izmir for migrant women)*. "İzmir'in Yüzüncü Yıl Sempozyumu". Izmir Municipality & Ahmet Piriştina City Archive and Museum (APİKAM), December 16. Izmir, Turkey.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2022). *Toplumsal cinsiyet ve nefret söylemi (Gender and hate speech)*. "Bir arada yaşama sözümüz var" Panel, Izmir Municipality, Urban Justice and Equality Department & UNHCR, December, 9. Izmir, Turkey.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2022). *Savaş ve barışa yönelik tutumların gelişimi (The development of attitudes towards war and peace)*. 6th International & 24th National Public Health Congress, December 2, Antalya, Turkey.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2021). *Çevre psikolojisi: Mekansal biliş ve bilişsel temsiller (Environmental Psychology: Spatial cognition and cognitive representations)*. Ankara Medipol University, Department of Psychology, Webinar, December 30, MS Teams Meeting.

Karakuş-Akalın, P., Çıvgın, U. & Hasateş, M. (2021). *Predicting attitudes towards hate crimes in Turkey: A social psychological analysis*. Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Psychology. Seminar Course, December 14, Famagusta, North Cyprus.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2021). *Göç, mültecilere yönelik ayrımcılık ve nefret söylemi (Migration, discrimination against refugees and hate speech)*. TPÖÇG, "Separate Worlds, Same People" Discrimination Panel, March, 20, Zoom Meeting.

Karakuş-Akalın, P. (2020). *Sosyal Psikoloji: Araştırma ve çalışma alanları (Social psychology: The research and work areas)*. Istinie University Psychology Club Web Seminar, December, 23.

Karakuş, P. (2017). *The situation in Turkey: Updates, current dynamics of oppression, existing and recent past activism types*. Routes to collective action in academia: The survival of social and political psychology Workshop, Kadir Has University in collaboration with International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP).

Karakuş, P. (2017). *Kültürleşme bağlamında kadına özgü göç deneyimleri ve toplumsal cinsiyet rolleri (Migratory experiences specific to female immigrants and gender roles in the context of acculturation)*. IV. Psychology Days, March, 4-5, Istanbul Şehir University.

Karakuş, P. (2016). *İnsan Hakları: Türkiye’de cinsel yönelim ve cinsiyet kimliğine dayalı insan hakkı ihlalleri (Human rights violations based on sexual orientation and gender identity in Turkey)*. Gediz University, Gray Thinking Society, May, 6th, Izmir: Radisson Blue Hotel, Turkey.

Karakuş, P. (2015). *Göç ve İzmir: Kültürel ve mekansal deneyimler (Migration and Izmir: Cultural and spatial experiences)*. Göç ve (...) Toplantısı, (The Migration and (...) Meeting), Gediz University, The Society of Design Diaries-Collective Memory, November, 28th. Izmir: The Center of Architecture, Turkey.

Karakuş, P. (2010). *Mekânın zamanı var mı? (Is space related with time?)*. Urban-related Identity Panel. The Week of Architecture. Kocaeli.

Karakuş, P. (2007). *Kent kimliği (Urban identity)*. 1st City Symposium, December 6-8, Kocaeli, Turkey.

Publications in preparation

Karakuş-Akalın, P., Atabey, M. K. & Güliçli, H. (2025?). *Türkiye bağlamında nikah davetiyelerinin nicel ve nitel analizi (“The quantitative and qualitative analysis of wedding cards in Turkey”)*.

Karakuş-Akalın, P., Sari, E. (2025?). *The social and environmental dimensions of psychological experiences among Syrian refugee women in Turkey: A Systematic review*.

Projects

* Role on Project: Researcher

Project Title: *Exploring the developmental and social characteristics of young people with environmental awareness in Turkey and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus regarding climate change*.

Principal Coordinator: Mehmet Karasu

Other researchers: Fatih Bayraktar & Kaan Berkan

* Role on Project: Qualitative data analyst (September 2023-February 2025)

Project Title: *Research on the impact of COVID-19 on LGBTI+s in the northern part of Cyprus*

Principle Coordinator: Queer Cyprus Association

Funding source: EU-Helix Project

*Role on Project: Principal investigator (2023-

Project Title: *The effect of sexual harassment type, victim's response, and number of witnessed incidences on bystanders' intention to intervene and perceived seriousness of sexual harassment cases in transit environments*

Other principal investigators: Dr. Dilek Çelik & Hasan Güliçli

Funding source: None

Status: Data collection

*Role on Project: Researcher in collaboration with Ziba Sertbay & Kaan Berkan (Developing the survey & interview forms, data collection, analysis and reporting)- (April-October, 2023)

Project Title: *The Better Together Project- Network Against Racism in Northern Cyprus*

Principle Coordinator: Refugee Rights Association

Funding source: EU

*Role on Project: Member of project team including 62 nations (2017-2019)

Project Title: *The International Situations Project (ISP)*

Principal investigators: Dr. David Funder, Dr. Erica Baranski, Dr. Gwen Gardiner, University of California, USA.

Funding source: National Science Foundation

Grants No: BCS-06422243, BCS-1052638, BCS-1528131

*Role on Project: Co-investigator (June 2014 – January 2017)

Project title: Kırdan kente göç eden kadınların farklı ölçekteki mekan deneyimlerinin toplumsal cinsiyet açısından incelenmesi ("*The examination of different-scaled spatial experiences of rural-to-urban female migrants in to gender*").

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: Ege University, Department of Scientific Research and Projects (BAP)

Project No: 14-EDB-003

*Role on Project: Assistant-Scholarship Holder (November 2011-April 2014)

Project title: Kente entegrasyonun, yer kimliği, bireycilik-toplulukçuluk ve kültürlenme süreçleri açısından incelenmesi ("*The examination of urban integration in the context of individualism-collectivism and acculturation processes*")

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: TUBITAK 1001, The Scientific and Technological Research Council, Turkey

Project No:111K249

*Role on Project: Co-investigator (2011-2013)

Project Title: *COMENIUS European Value Research and Education: The cross-cultural comparison of undergraduate students in Turkey and The Netherlands*

Principal investigator: Dr. Uwe Krause, Fontys University, Tillburg, The Netherlands

Funding source: European Commission

*Role on Project: Assistant-Scholarship Holder (April-November 2011)

Project title: Farklı sosyal kimlik kategorilerinin ve "Avrupa ve Avrupalılık" ile ilgili sosyal temsillerin Türkiye'nin AB'ye girmesi yönündeki tutumlara etkisi ("*The impact of various social*")

identity categories and of social representations of 'Europe and Europeaness' on attitudes towards Turkey's Entry to EU")

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: TUBITAK 1001, The Scientific and Technological Research Council, Turkey

Project No: 110K382

*Role on Project: Field-research coordinator (2010)

Project Title: Farkında Ol Sağlıklı Yaşa- Meme Kanseri Farkındalık Yaratma Projesi (*"Creating Awareness for Breast Cancer Project"*)

Principal investigator: Dr. Sonia Amado, Izmir, Turkey

Funding source: Rotary Club

*Role on Project: Research assistant (2005)

Project Title: Şiddet ve İşkenceye Yönelik Tutum ve Değerlendirmeler, Herkes için Adalet Projesi (*"The Evaluation of Attitudes towards Violence and Torture"*), Diyarbakir, Turkey

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: Diyarbakir Law Society and European Union

*Role on Project: Research assistant (2004)

Project Title: Şiddet ve İşkenceye Yönelik Tutum ve Değerlendirmeler, Herkes için Adalet Projesi (*"The Evaluation of Attitudes towards Violence and Torture"*), Izmir, Turkey

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: Izmir Law Society and European Union

*Role on Project: Research assistant (2003)

Project Title: Yerel Yönetimlerin Algılanması, Değerlendirilmesi ve Oy Verme Davranışları Projesi (*"The Perception and Evaluations related to Local Governments and Voting Behaviours"*)

Principal investigator: Dr. Melek Göregenli

Funding source: Izmir Metropolitan Municipality

*Role on Project: Research assistant (2002)

Project Title: Akademisyen ve Çalışan Memnuniyeti Projesi (*"Job satisfaction among university personnel"*)

Principal investigator: The Department of Social Psychology, Ege University, Izmir, Turkey

Funding source: Ege University

Workshops and training programs

Introductory workshop on Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis (IPA) by Jonathan Smith and Müjde Koca Atabey, Ankara Medipol University Zoom Meeting, April 30- May 1 2021.

Workshop on "The human and the space of pandemic from the street to the body" by Melek Göregenli, Gumusluk Academy Zoom Meeting, November, 23-30-December, 7 2020.

An interdisciplinary workshop on "Routes to collective action in academia: The survival of social and political psychology" by International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey, 16.06.2017

An Interdisciplinary Workshop on Accepting the Other: Learning to live together with differences, Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey, 26.11.2016
Nvivo 11 Qualitative Analysis Training Programme, Gediz University, Izmir, Turkey, 2-5.02.2016
Anti-psychohomophobia in process of counselling Workshop. Izmir, Turkey, 19-20.11.2005
Teamwork Seminar, Hospital of Dokuz Eylul University, Izmir, Turkey, 19.09.2002
New Approaches to Performance Management Workshop, METU, Ankara, Turkey, 10.09.2002
The Control of Balanced Point Cards in the Strategic Management of Hospitals Seminar, Hospital of Dokuz Eylul University, Izmir, Turkey, 28.08.2002
The Applications of Human Resources Management, Oztüre Holding Company, Izmir, Turkey, 27.06.2002
The Role of Industrial Psychologist in Human Resources, Ege University, Izmir, Turkey, 26.05.2002
The Education of Disabled Children, Izmir, Turkey, 31.03.2002

Other Conferences joined as an attendee:

The 44th Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Society (ISPP), July 11-13, 2021, Virtual (Online).
International Zoom Conference on Hate Speech and Discrimination, Hrant Dink Foundation & Friedrich Naumann Foundation & The Swedist Ministry of Foreign Affairs. December 11-12, 2020.
V. International Psychological Trauma Symposium. "Digging Up Wounds, Healing Wounds", Istanbul, Turkey. 7-9.12.2007
13th National Psychology Congress. Social Peace: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey, 7-11. 09.2004
4th Seeking Excellence Symposium: Global Alteration and Competitive Quality. Ataturk Cultural Center in Izmir, Turkey, 16-17.04. 2003
12th National Psychology Congress: Current Problems and Psychology. METU, Ankara, Turkey, 11-13.09.2002
EFPSA 16th European Psychology Students Congress, Avanos, Nigde, Turkey. 23-30.04.2002
4th Izmir Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy Days. The Princess Hotel, Izmir, Turkey, 20-22.09.2001

Voluntary Services and Internships

01.03.2004-01.05.2004: The Municipality of Izmir: Internship in Citizen Communication Service.
17.02.2003-17.03.2003: SABANCI Holding Company, Olmuksa International Paper: Department of Human Resources, Istanbul.
21.10.2002-30.01.2003: Öztüre Holding Company, Can Navigation & Logistics: Department of Human Resources, Izmir.
27.01.2003-11.06.2003: Öztüre Holding Company, Minereks Foreign Trade: Department of Human Resources, Izmir.
19.08.2002-30.09.2002: Dokuz Eylül University Hospital, Department of Human Resources, Izmir.
01.02.2002-01.05.2002: Dr. Behçet Uz Children's Hospital: Department of Children Psychiatry, Izmir

01.02.2002-01.04.2002: Moral Special Education and Rehabilitation Center of Disabled Children, Izmir.

01.06.2001-01.07.2001: Education of Public Transportation Drivers, Ege University, Izmir.

Reviews for journals

International Journal of Intercultural Relations

International Journal of Social Inquiry

Journal of Ankara Studies

Studies in Psychology

The Philosophy World

Cognitive Processing (social cognition division)

Aegean Geographical Journal

Migration Letters

Vira-Verita

Asian Journal of Social Psychology

Memberships in professional societies

-EMU Urban Research and Development Centre Committee Member

-Environmental Psychology Research Group (ENVIPSY RG:

envipsy.wixsite.com/envipsy/envipsy-rg)

-Izmir Turkish Psychological Association (TPD)

-International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)

-International Cross-Cultural Psychology Association (IACCP)

-Council of International Fellowship (C.I.F.)

Research groups

Place, Identity and Memory (PIM) Research Group, EMU Department of Psychology
(DAÜ Psikoloji Bölümü Mekan, Kimlik ve Bellek Araştırmaları Grubu)

Committee Memberships

-EMU, Research and Publication Ethics Board (BAYEK), Social Sciences, Humanities, and Administrative Sciences (SOBIB) Ethics Sub-Board, Chair (November 2025 -)

-EMU, Research and Publication Ethics Board (BAYEK), Social Sciences, Humanities, and Administrative Sciences (SOBIB) Ethics Sub-Board, Member (November 2023-2025)

-EMU Urban Research and Development Centre Committee Member

-Famagusta City Council, Working Unit for Women

Thesis Supervisions:

Pınar Tambaşar (MSc, 2023-Completed) – Supervisor & Shenel Husnu Raman (Co-Supervisor) -
The Roles of Gendered Racism and Place Attachment on Place Identity in International Students

Alım Sancar (MSc, 2023-Completed) – Co-Supervisor & Shenel Husnu Raman (Supervisor) -
Microaggressions and microaffirmations: LGBTI+'s experiences, perceptions, and expectations of bystanders' reactions

İrge Sorun (MSc, 2023-Completed) – Supervisor - The Role of Self-Protective Strategies Used Against Self-Threatening Social Media Content on Body and Life Satisfaction
Roujina Bilal Waheed Alqwasmı (MSc, 2024-) – Supervisor - The Motivations of Using Dating Applications and Well-being among Queer Middle Eastern and North African Individuals

Teaching

Year	Semester	Course Name	Hours		Class Size
			Lec.	App.	
2025-2026	Fall	Introduction to Psychology-I (1-TR)	4	0	68
		Introduction to Psychology-I (2-TR)	4	0	65
		Introduction to Psychology-II (1-TR)	4	0	43
2024-2025	Spring	Social Psychology (1-TR)	3	0	65
		Social Psychology (2-TR)	3	0	67
		Environmental Psychology (TR)	3	0	53
		Environmental Psychology (EN)	3	0	33
	Fall	Introduction to Psychology-I (1-TR)	4	0	68
		Introduction to Psychology-I (2-TR)	4	0	67
		Introduction to Psychology-II (1-TR)	4	0	40
2023-2024	Spring	Social Psychology (1-TR)	3	0	63
		Social Psychology (2-TR)	3	0	63
		Social Statistics-1 (1-TR)	3	0	93
		Social Statistics-1 (2-TR)	3	0	94
	Fall	Environmental Psychology (TR)	3	0	47
		Introduction to Psychology-I (1-TR)	4	0	69
		Introduction to Psychology-I (2-TR)	4	0	71
2022-2023	Spring	Environmental Psychology (Ph.D./EN)	3	0	7
		Social Psychology (1-TR)	3	0	47
		Social Psychology (2-TR)	3	0	42
		Social Statistics-1 (1-TR)	3	0	91
		Social Statistics-1 (2-TR)	3	0	94
	Fall	Advanced Social Psychology (MSc/EN)	3	0	13
		Environmentl Psychology (EN)	3	0	41
		Environmental Psychology (TR)	3	0	51
2021-2022	Fall	Introduction to Psychology-I (1-EN)	4	0	62
		Introduction to Psychology-I (2-EN)	4	0	64
		Psychology and Gender Issues (TR)	3	0	37
	Spring	Social Psychology (1-TR)	3	0	56
		Social Psychology (2-TR)	3	0	57
		Social Statistics-1 (1-TR)	3	0	86

		Social Statistics-1 (2-TR)	3	0	65
2020-2021	Fall	Environment and Psychology (TR)	2	0	58
	Spring	Environmental Psychology (TR)	3	0	35
		Cross-Cultural Social Psychology (TR)	3	0	58
2019-2020	Fall	Introduction to Psychology (TR)	3	0	91
		Research Methods in Psychology II (TR)	2	2	86
	Spring	Social Psychology II (TR)	3	0	88
		Gender (Departmental Elective-TR)	3	0	37
		Gender (University Elective-TR)	3	0	49
2018-2019	Fall	Research Methods in Psychology II (TR)	2	2	37
		Statistics in Psychology (TR)	2	2	59
	Spring	Research Methods in Psychology I (TR)	3	0	100
		Gender (TR)	3	0	38
		Social Psychology II (TR)	3	0	63
2017-2018	Fall	Introduction to Psychology (TR)	3	0	54
	Spring	Introduction to Psychology (University Elective-TR)	2	0	9
		Psychology (University Elective-TR)	3	0	73
2015-2016	Fall	Introduction to Social Psychology I (EN)	4	2	87
		Readings in Social Psychology (TR)	1	2	41
	Spring	Introduction to Social Psychology II (EN)	4	2	87
		Cross-Cultural Social Psychology (TR)	2	1	40