

## **CIRRICULUM VITAE of MEHMET BALKANLIOGLU, Ph.D.**

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### **EDUCATION**

#### **Post-doctorate**

**2014-2015**

**Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.**

**Research title: “Intermarriage in the US: Gender, Ethnicity, Religion, Children, and Immigration”**

#### **Ph.D. in Sociology**

**2006-2011**

**University of North Texas, Denton, TX.**

**Qualifying exams in Social Theory, Research Methods, Social Statistics, and Area of Specialization (Family).**

**Dissertation title: “Influence of Alevi-Sunni Intermarriage on the Spouses' Religious Affiliation, Family Relations, and Social Environment”**

#### **MA in Social Sciences**

**2003-2006**

**Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey**

#### **BA in Theology**

**1999-2003**

**Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey**

### **PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Lecturer:** Department of Management and Labor Studies, Rutgers University, 2024-Present

**Lecturer:** Department of Sociology, Drew University, 2021-2024

**Visiting Researcher:** School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 2020-2021

**Lecturer:** Department of Psychology and Sociology, Wayne State College, 2019-2020

**Associate Professor:** Department of Sociology, Marmara University, 2015-2016

**Postdoctoral Researcher & Visiting Researcher:** School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 2014-2015

**Assistant Professor:** Department of Sociology, Marmara University 2012-2014

### **TEACHING & ADVISING & SERVICE**

- Planned and taught courses
- Participated in program review, curriculum review, student learning outcome development and assessment to improve student learning
- Planned and taught community-based learning courses

- Advised undergraduate and graduate students
- Assisted in evaluating adjunct instructors
- Served on department, division and college committees
- Organized and led training sessions for new faculties and teaching assistants
- Trained faculty members and research assistants about grant writing and research
- Actively contributed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging in many respects
- Organized students' summer internship programs
- Performed community service for children, women, elders, and a minority group
- Advised in other committees (e.g., scholarship committee, and social responsibility projects)

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

*Gender, Race and Ethnicity, Sociology of Marriage: Diversity, Inequality and Social Change, Research Methods, Social Statistics (with software application: SPSS), Introduction to Sociology, Social Theory, Intercultural Perspectives on Family, Social Problems, Sociology of Mental Health, Community Based Learning (CBL), Sociology of Religion, Social Movements, and Social Work and Social Welfare.*

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

*Gender, Race, Ethnicity, Family, Work, Immigration, Religion, Research Methods, Social Justice, and Inequality.*

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- **Planned and managed interdisciplinary and international research projects and publications** with colleagues from different fields.
- **Researched on** marriage and family (long-term marriage, intermarriage, and divorce), race, ethnicity, gender, social justice, and inequality.
- **Chaired the project review team** at European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST).
- **Trained colleagues and research assistants** in research methods, grant proposal development, and scholarly publication processes.

#### **Project 1: "An Investigation of Alevi Civic Organizations and Activities as a Type of Social Capital," 2013- Present**

**Responsibilities:** Planned and managed this research study as a principal investigator and worked with fifteen research assistants. The data consisted of eight hundred fifty-one surveys and ten face-to-face interviews. Entered the data into the software and analyzed it.

#### **Project 2: "Intermarriage in the US: Gender, Ethnicity, Religion, Children, and Immigration," 2014-2015**

**Responsibilities:** Planned and conducted the research and IRB processes. Interviewed fourteen married couples (28 people). Collected and analyzed the data. Shared the findings with a talk at Georgetown University and published in the European Sociological Association's family research periodical.

#### **Project 3: "Socio-cultural Approach to Pre-service Mathematics Teacher Education," 2013-2016**

**Responsibilities:** Contributed to research on methodological design and manuscript development.

#### **Project 4: "Long-term Marriage in Turkey: Why Do Not They Get Divorced?" 2012-2013**

**Responsibilities:** Planned and managed this research study as a principal investigator and worked with

fifteen research assistants. Semi-structured interviews and surveys were used to gather data from thirty married couples. Published a book and articles. The research took the attention of mass media and was published in national and international media outlets.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (January 2014). **Code of Marriage: 40 Secrets of a Long-Term and Happy Marriage.** Istanbul: Ufuk Publications [In Turkish].

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (December 2012). **And Love Has Won: Alevi-Sunni Inter-marriage.** Istanbul: Sahi Merdan Publications [In Turkish].

### **Articles**

**Balkanlioglu, M., A. & Ozinci, Z.** (July 2022). **Intimate partner violence incidents and solutions reported by Turkish couples in long-term marriages: An Exploratory Study.** *Qualitative Sociology Review.* 18(3). 124-143. doi:10.18778/1733-8077.18.3.06

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2017). **Marriage, family, and Islam in contemporary Turkey: What do indicators tell us?** *Proceedings of the 1st International Conference on the Role of Religions in the Turkic Culture,* 109-114.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A. & Esposito, J. L.** (2015). **Inter-marriage, identity, assimilation, and religion: Inter-marriage of Turkish citizens in the US.** *European Sociological Association, RN13,* 8- 12.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2014). **Walled society, Islamophobia and domestic-phobia: Could Alevi-Sunni inter-marriage be an opportunity to fight against domestic-phobia?** *Hunkar, Journal of Researches on Alevism-Bektashism,* 2, 27-39. doi: 10.15246/hunkar13

**Balkanlioglu, M., A., & Seward, R., R.** (2014). **Perceptions of domestic violence by Turkish couples in long-lasting marriage: An exploratory study.** *Family Focus on International Intimate Partner Violence (National Council for Family Relations),* FF61, F12-F14.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A., & Irmak, F.** (2014). **An investigation of Alevi civic organizations and activities in Turkey as a type of social capital.** *Journal of Turkish Culture and Haci Bektasi Veli Research,* 70. 139-159. doi:10.12973/hbvd.70.117.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2014). **Questioning the relationship between religion and marriage: Does religion affect long-lasting marriage? Turkish couples' practice of, perception of, and attitudes towards religion and marriage.** *The Journal of International Social Research,* 7 (31). 515-523.

**Akkoc, H., Yesildere-Imre, S., & Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2014). **Examining identity through story-telling.** *Research in Mathematics Education,* 16 (2). 204-205. doi:10.1080/14794802.2014.918340

**Akkoc, H., Balkanlioglu, M., A., & Yesildere-Imre, S.** (2014). **Exploring Prospective Mathematics Teachers' School Placement Induction through Communities of Practice.** *Proceedings of British Society of Research in Mathematics learning (BSRLM),* 34 (1). 7-12. Kings College, London, United States.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2014). **Values education and media.** *Journal of Yesilay,* 963, 26-29.

**Irmak, F., Balkanlioglu, M. A.** (2013). **Socio-demographic analysis of fear of crime in the U.S.** *Journal of Academic Inquires,* 8 (3). 85-102.

**Balkanlioglu, M., A.** (2012). **Impacts of Alevi-Sunni inter-marriage on the familial relationships and child-rearing, and social stigma.** *Journal of Turkish Culture and Haci Bektasi Veli Research,* 62. 163-182.

- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (2012).** *Does religion bring more conflict than peace? A Survey of Americans' attitudes toward religion and conflict.* *International Journal of Human Sciences*, 9 (1). 712-724.  
doi=10.1.1.1015.7729
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (2011).** *Influence of Alevi-Sunni intermarriage on the spouses' religious affiliation.* *The Journal of International Social Research*, 4 (19). 298-316.

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (August 10-13, 2019).** *Intimate partner violence incidents and solutions reported by Turkish couples in long-term marriages.* *The American Sociological Association 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.* New York.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (September 9-11, 2015).** "Symbolic Islam," marriage and family in contemporary Turkey: What do indicators tell us? *The Role of Religion in the Turkish Culture.* Budapest.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (August 25-28, 2015).** *Alevis and Cemevis in Turkey: The social capital perspective.* *European Sociological Association 12<sup>th</sup> Conference.* Prag.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (May 27, 2015).** *Marriage, identity, religion and marital stability: Intermarriage of Turkish citizens in the U.S.* *Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.*
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (January 25-27, 2013).** *Alevi-Sunni intermarriage and walled society. II.* *International Imagination Workshop.* Istanbul.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (September 3-4, 2012).** *Alevi-Sunni Intermarriage: Is it a chance for change? (Alevitisch-Sunnitische Ehen als Wandlungspotential fur beide Seiten?).* *Alevitentum in Deutschland-Geschichte Erforschen, Gegenwart Gestalten.* *The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung & Zentrum fur Interkulturelle Islamstudien (ZIIS) Universitat Osnabruck.* Berlin.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (October 29-31, 2010).** *What is Alevism actually and who is Alevi in contemporary Turkey?* *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting,* Baltimore.
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (March 17-18, 2010).** *Could one parent bring up a child as well as two parents together?* *18<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Parent Education and Parenting,* Denton, TX
- Balkanlioglu, M., A. (October 23-25, 2009).** *Does religion bring more conflict than peace? The Americans' attitudes towards religions and conflict before 9/11.* *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting,* Denver.

### SOFTWARE SKILLS

SPSS, ATLAS.ti, and EOS

### MEMBERSHIP

American Sociological Association (ASA) & European Sociological Association (ESA)