



PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

PhD METU | Faculty of Architecture
(ongoing) City and Regional Planning, (CPGA: 3.93/4)

Master's METU | Faculty of Architecture
(2021) City Planning (Honor Student), (CPGA: 3.65/4)
 Thesis: "Urban Oblivion: An Evaluation of Urban Conservation Approaches in terms of Geo-cultural Identity in the Case of Jewish Quarter of Ankara"

Bachelor's Gazi University | Faculty of Architecture
(2015) City and Regional Planning (Honor Student), (CPGA: 3.36/4)

RESEARCH FIELDS

Urban Morphology, Industrial Urbanism, Industrial Morphology, OIZs, Basic Design in Planning

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIA

2025 Co-presenter in 37th AESOP Annual Congress on *Planning as a Transformative Action in an Age of Planetary*, "Adaptive Riverside Urbanity: Rethinking Urban Design Principles under Climate Uncertainty", Yıldız Technical University, July 7-11, 2025, İstanbul/TÜRKİYE

2025 Co-presenter in International Forum on Urbanism (IFoU) 2025 Conference on *Future Living*, "Integrating Urban and Natural Landscapes: Reimagining the Riverside Urbanity through Porsuk River of Eskişehir", University of Lisbon, July 1-4, 2025, Lisbon/PORTUGAL

2024 Presenter in 48th Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: *Destruction-Life-Urbanism*, "Mapping as a Tool for Reading the Unreadable: The Metamorphosis of Public Space Experience in the Post-Earthquake Period - The Case of Antakya City Center", Akdeniz University, November 7-9, 2024, Antalya/TÜRKİYE

2024 Presenter in 2024 RSA (Regional Studies Association) Annual Conference: *Global Challenges, Regional Collaboration and the Role of Places*, "Organized Industrial Zones (OIZs) as a Peculiar

Mode of Industrial Agglomeration: A Morphological Exploration of Türkiye, University of Florence, June 11-14, 2024, Florence/ITALY

- 2023** Co-presenter in Turkey's 100+100 Years: Ecological Notes Symposium, *"Back to the Future: Considering Alternative Urban Forms and Models in the Capital in terms of Ecological Pedagogy"*, TED University, November 16-17, 2024, Ankara/TÜRKİYE
- 2017** Presenter in 41st Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: Rural Areas and Regions in Urban Planning, *"Rethinking Rural Areas Under the Pressure of Urbanization in the Global Context: The Çorlu Example"*, Selçuk University, November 7-9, 2017, Konya/TÜRKİYE

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

- 2025** Nalçakar, Elif Merve & Çalışkan, Olgu (2025). **Dialectics of Urban and Peri-Urban Industries: An Explorative Analysis of Turkish Context** in C. Grodach, & J. Ferm (Eds.), *Planning the Productive City*. Routledge (Currently in editing process.)
- 2024** Nalçakar, Elif Merve & Çalışkan, Olgu (2024). **Cumhuriyetimizin Sanayileşme Deneyiminde Organize Sanayi Bölgeleri: Kentsel Bağlamda Morfolojik Çözümleme** in *ODTÜ Mimarlık Fakültesi Cumhuriyet'e Armağan Kitabı*. Ankara: METU Faculty of Architecture Publishings. (Currently in publication process.)
- 2017** Nalçakar, Elif Merve & Çayan, Duygu (2017). **Kentleşme Baskısı Altındaki Kırsal Alanları Uluslararası Yaklaşımlar Çerçevesinde Yeniden Düşünmek: Çorlu Örneği [Rethinking Rural Areas Under the Pressure of Urbanism in the Context of International Approaches: The Çorlu Case]** in 41st Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: Rural Areas and Regions in Urban Planning Colloquium Proceedings, UCTEA Chamber of City Planners Publications, Ankara, pp. 139-150 (ISBN: 978-605-01-1229-0)

Articles

- 2024** Nalçakar, Elif Merve & Çalışkan, Olgu (2024). **Search for a Sustainable Relationship Between Agriculture and Industry: Agriculture-Based Organized Industrial Zones (ASOIZs) in Türkiye**, *Planning Theory and Practice*, 20-25.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/14649357.2024.2435191>

WORKSHOPS

- 2025** Student Workshop moderated with Eraydın, Z., Yaşar, C. G. *"Pinhan: The Hidden Value of İmrahor"*, 4th Winter Camp for Planning Students, UCTEA Chamber of City Planners Ankara Branch, January 27-31, 2025, Ankara/TÜRKİYE [Öğrenci Çalıştayı: *"Pinhan: İmrahor'un Saklı Değeri"*, Planlama Öğrencileri 4. Kış Kampı, TMMOB Şehir Plancıları Odası Ankara Şubesi, 27-31 Ocak 2025, Ankara/TÜRKİYE]
<https://city.tedu.edu.tr/en/whats-happening-tedu/4th-winter-camp-planning-students>
- 2019** Student Workshop moderated with Cihanger Ribeiro, D., Yavuz, I., Aycan, B. *"Between the Word and the Image"*, 43rd Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: Planning, Concepts and Pursuits, November 7-8-9, 2019, TED University, Ankara, TÜRKİYE [Öğrenci Çalıştayı: *"Kelime ve İmge"*]

Arasında", Dünya Şehircilik Günü 43. Kolokiyumu: Planlama, Kavramlar ve Arayışlar, 7-8-9 Kasım 2019, TED Üniversitesi, Ankara, TÜRKİYE]
http://kenthali.org/yazi-detay.php?entry_id=46

EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** *Exhibition: Ankara of 100 Years* (co-curator with Ayca Özkan, B.), November 2023, TED University, Ankara
<https://www.tedu.edu.tr/en/node/28091>
- 2021** *Ankara Projects Exhibition* (content creator with Ayca Özkan, B., Yavuz Özgür, I.), September 2021, Ankara City Council, Ankara
<https://ankarakentkonseyi.org.tr/tr/haberler/ankara-projeleri-sergisi>
- 2019** *Stream Interface of Ankara* as part of the TEDU CITY Screens: *Under the Road, The River!*, (co-curated with Cihanger Ribeiro, D., Ayca Özkan, B.), December 2019, TED University, Ankara
<https://city.tedu.edu.tr/tr/city/gundem/etkinlikler/tedu-city-screens-01-asfaltin-altinda-dereler-var-yasin-semiz>
- 2019** Workshop Exhibition: *Between the Word and the Image*, (co-curated with Cihanger Ribeiro, D., Ayca Özkan, B., Yavuz Özgür, I.), 43rd Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: Planning, Concepts and Pursuits, November 9, TED University, Ankara
http://kenthali.org/yazi-detay.php?entry_id=46

ORGANIZATIONAL WORKS

- 2024** 13th Term Executive Board Member of UCTEA Chamber of City Planners – Ankara Branch
(ongoing)
- 2019** Executive Committee Member in 43rd Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: Planning, Concepts and Pursuits, TED University, Ankara | Dünya Şehircilik Günü 43. Kolokiyumu: Planlama, Kavramlar, Arayışlar, TED Üniversitesi, Ankara
http://www.spo.org.tr/genel/bizden_detay.php?kod=9790&tipi=2&sube=0
- 2012** Organizing Student Committee Member in 36th Colloquium of World Urbanism Day: "Spatial Conversion and Transformation", Gazi University, Ankara | Dünya Şehircilik Günü 36. Kolokiyumu: "Mekansal Değişim ve Dönüşüm", Gazi Üniversitesi, Ankara
http://www.spo.org.tr/genel/bizden_detay.php?kod=4261&tipi=1&sube=0

JURY MEMBERSHIP

- 2024** Jury member of the annual competition of "Turkish Planning Schools Association (TUPOB) City and Regional Planning Students Graduation Project Awards", UCTEA Chamber of City Planners
- 2024** Jury member of the annual competition of "12th Landscape Architecture Students Graduation Project Awards", UCTEA Chamber of Landscape Architects

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2024 Co-researcher in TÜBİTAK 1001 Project: "An Evaluation of Mass Migration after the February 6 Kahramanmaraş Earthquakes: The Examples of Ankara and Mersin" (project awarded a SOBAG grant by TÜBİTAK)
<https://city.tedu.edu.tr/en/whats-happening-tedu/tubitak-grant-evaluation-mass-migration-after-february-6-kahramanmaras>

WORK EXPERIENCE

PROFESSIONAL

2019-present	Research/Teaching Assistant	TED University Faculty of Architecture Department of City and Regional Planning https://city.tedu.edu.tr/en/city
2015-2019	City Planner	Modul Planlama, Ankara https://www.modulplanlama.com.tr/

INTERNSHIP

2014	Intern City Planner	Modul Planlama, Ankara
2013	Intern City Planner	Çankaya Municipality, Ankara

CERTIFICATES

2024	"Spatial Analysis with ArcGIS Pro" Certificate of Education, GIS based software training offered by Esri Türkiye https://sertifika.esri.com.tr/Public/upload/pdf/6RWcOZH4-2276.pdf
2024	"ArcGIS Pro: Essential Workflows" Certificate of Education, GIS based software training offered by Esri Türkiye https://sertifika.esri.com.tr/Public/upload/pdf/RGgoP217-2230.pdf
2017	"Eco-design for Cities and Suburbs" Certificate of Achievement, course study offered by online learning initiative of The University of British Columbia https://courses.edx.org/certificates/7d953a1fadf44de7a1032f38f8e51fb3
2014	"NetCAD 6.0 Geographical Information System" Certificate of Education, project development software on city planning and GIS

SOFTWARE SKILLS

• ArcMap	advanced	• Adobe Photoshop	advanced
• AutoCAD	advanced	• Adobe InDesign	advanced
• NetCAD	advanced	• Adobe Illustrator	intermediate
• Microsoft Office	advanced	• ArcGIS Pro	intermediate
• AHP-OS	advanced	• QGIS	intermediate
• SketchUP	advanced	• SPSS	intermediate

REFERENCES

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