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Ali Yaycioglu

Associate Professor of History

Bio

BIO

Ali Yaycioglu is a historian of the Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey. His research centers on economic, political and legal institutions and practices as well as social and cultural life in southeastern Europe and the Middle East during the Ottoman Empire. He also has a research agenda on how people imagined, represented and recorded property, territory, and nature in early periods. Furthermore, Yaycioglu explores how we can use digital tools to understand, visualize and conceptualize these imaginations, representations and recordings. Yaycioglu's first book, Partners of the Empire: Crisis of the Ottoman Order in the Age of Revolutions (Stanford University Press, 2016) offers a rethinking of the Ottoman Empire within the global context of the revolutionary age in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Currently Dr. Yaycioglu is working on a book project entitled The Ultimate Debt: State, Wealth and Death in the Ottoman Empire, in which he analyzes transformations in property, finance and statehood in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Ali Yaycioglu is the supervisor of a digital history project, Mapping Ottoman Epirus housed in Stanford's Center for Spatial and Textual Analysis.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, History

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Stanford University, (2011- present)
- Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Fairfield University, (2010-2011)
- Mary Seeger O'Boyle Fellowship, Princeton University, (2008-2009)
- Aga Khan Postdoctoral Fellowship, Islamic Art and Architecture, Harvard University, (2008-2008)
- Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University, (2006-2007)
- Merit Fellowship, Harvard University, (2004-2005)
- KRUPP Foundation Fellowship, Center for European Studies, (2003-2004)
- Fellowship, ARIT (American Research Institute in Turkey), (2003-2004)
- Graduate Fellowship, Harvard University, (1998-2002)
- Islamic Studies Fellowship, McGill University, (1996-1998)
- Graduate Fellowship, Bilkent University, (1994-1997)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Research affiliate, Ottoman Sources for the History of Letkada, Greece, centered in Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Foundation for Research and Technology (2010)

- Research affiliate, Black Sea Trade Project Team, centered at California State University, Northridge (1998)
- Research affiliate, Historians of the Ottoman Empire project, Harvard University (2004 - 2005)
- Member, Search committee for Medieval History Position, History Department, Stanford (2012 - 2013)
- Chair, Ad hoc committee for Stanford in Istanbul Program at Koc University (2012 - 2013)
- Organizer, The Byzantine and Ottoman Worlds Workshop Series at Stanford, Stanford University (2011 - 2012)
- Chair, Departmental committee to review global history courses in the core curriculum, Fairfield University (2010 - 2011)
- Curator, The Ottoman World in the European Eyes Exhibition, Harvard University (2006 - 2006)
- UN Observer, General elections in Azerbaijan (2005 - 2005)
- Member, American Historical Association
- Member, Middle East Studies Association of North America

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Iranian Studies

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- B.S., Middle East Technical University , International Relations (1994)
- M.A., Bilkent University , History (1997)
- Graduate, McGill University , Study in Islamic Studies (1998)
- Ph.D., Harvard University , History and Middle Eastern Studies (2008)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Princeton University , Program in Hellenic Studies (2009)

Teaching

COURSES

2026-27

- Doing Economic History: HISTORY 200E (Spr)
- Graduate Research Seminar in Ottoman and Middle East History: HISTORY 481, JEWISHST 481 (Win, Spr)
- The Mongol Empire: ARTHIST 259A, ARTHIST 459A, HISTORY 289A, HISTORY 389A (Spr)

2025-26

- Core Graduate Colloquium: History of the Ottoman Empire: HISTORY 384A (Aut)
- Graduate Research Seminar in Ottoman and Middle East History: HISTORY 481, JEWISHST 481 (Win, Spr)
- The Ottoman Empire: Conquest, Coexistence, and Coffee: HISTORY 284, HISTORY 384 (Aut)

2024-25

- Core Graduate Colloquium: History of the Ottoman Empire: HISTORY 384A (Aut)
- Graduate Research Seminar in Ottoman and Middle East History: HISTORY 481, JEWISHST 481 (Spr, Sum)
- Topics in Digital Humanities: CLASSICS 308, ENGLISH 308A, RELIGST 307X (Win)
- What Future for Democracy? Turkey's Experience in a Comparative Perspective: HISTORY 284D, HISTORY 384D, POLISCI 244H (Spr)

2023-24

- Core Graduate Colloquium: History of the Ottoman Empire: HISTORY 384A (Win)
- Graduate Research Seminar in Ottoman and Middle East History: HISTORY 481, JEWISHST 287S, JEWISHST 481 (Spr, Sum)
- Ottoman Palestine: HISTORY 282, HISTORY 382 (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Farah Bazzi, Emre Can Daglioglu, Makena Mezistrano

Orals Evaluator

Nesi Altaras, Lee Bagan, Mustafa Emre Gunaydi, Makena Mezistrano, Ozgul Ozdemir, Merve Tekgurler

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Federico Cortigiani, Merve Tekgurler

Doctoral Dissertation Co-Advisor (AC)

Mustafa Emre Gunaydi, Ozgul Ozdemir

Doctoral (Program)

Farah Bazzi, Federico Cortigiani, Ozgul Ozdemir, Merve Tekgurler, Aruuke Uran Kyzy, Yuanhao Zou

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Review of "The Margins of Empire: Kurdish Militias in the Ottoman Tribal Zone" by J. Klein** *Social History*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  2013; 38 (2): 245 - 247
- **Review of "The Ottoman Empire: A Short History" by S. Faroqhi** *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  2013; 72 (1): 148 - 149
- **Rahova 1784: Participation, Information and Power in the 18th Century Ottoman Balkans** *Ozer Ergenc Armagani*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  edited by Ekin, U.
  Ankara.2013
- **Provincial Elites and the Empire in the Late Ottoman World: Conflict or Partnership?** *Ottoman World*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  edited by Woodhead, C.
  London: Routledge Press.2012
- **Review of "Foreign Investment in the Ottoman Empire: International Trade and Relations 1854-1914" by N. Geyikdagi** *Journal of Economic History*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  2012; 72 (4): 1121-1122
- **Deed of Agreement (1808): An Attempt of Integration and Partnership** *Nizam-ı Kadimden Nizam-ı Cedide: III.Selim ve Domemi*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  edited by Kenan, S.
  ISAM.2010
- **Ayan** *Encyclopedia of the Ottoman Empire*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  edited by Agoston, G.
  2008
- **Rumeli'nde Geraylar ve Cengiz Mehmed Geray Sultan'in Hikayesi** *TurkTarih Kongresi, Ankara*
  Yaycioglu, A., Kirimli, H.
  2006; 2: 11-15

- **Review of "Salonica, City of Ghosts: Christians, Muslims and Jews, 1430-1950" by M. Mazower** *METU Journal of the Faculty of Architecture*
  Yaycioglu, A.
  2005; 22 (1): 103-106
- **Ottoman-Turkish Manuscripts in the Islamic and other Libraries of McGill Univeristy** *Fontanus*
  Yaycioglu, A., Gacek, A.
  1998; 10: 41 - 64