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## Education

### Bilkent University

MA PHILOSOPHY

Ankara

2022 - 2024

- Advisor: Dr. Jonathan D. Payton
- MA Thesis: 'A Fictionalist Approach to Social Construction'
- GPA: 3.87

### Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University

BA PHILOSOPHY

İstanbul

2017-2021

- Undergraduate Research Advisor: Dr. Alper Yavuz
- BA Thesis: 'Naming of Fictional Characters and Their Identities'
- GPA: 3.80

## Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

2024-2026	<b>Ph.D. Grant For Turkish Citizens</b> , Fulbright	Up to 100.000\$
2022-2024	<b>Graduate Research Fellowship</b> , Bilkent University	
2022-2024	<b>Monthly Stipend</b> , Bilkent University	
2023	<b>2224-A Scholarship For Participation in International Scientific Activities</b> , Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye	1300€
2017-2021	<b>KYK Scholarship</b> , Credit and Dormitories Institution	20000₺.
2021	<b>Highest Ranking Student in the Department of Philosophy</b> , Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University	
2021	<b>Ranking Third Student in the Faculty of Science and Letters</b> , Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University	
2021	<b>High Honor Degree</b> , Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University	

## Languages

**Turkish** native, **English** advanced.

## Publications

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. The Relation Between Names and Pretended Names in Kripke's Analysis of Fiction. In: *Cilicia Philosophy Journal* (2), pp. 36-53. (Turkish)

### PUBLIC ARTICLES

**Bakkal, E.** 2022. Kripke's Ontology of Fiction and Fictional Anti-Realist Identity Arguments. In: *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal* (1), pp. 130-156. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. Thoughts on Graham Harman's Object-Oriented Ontology. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. Against the Legitimization of Animal Testing: Evaluation of Justification of Animal Testing. *Mimar Sinan Fine Art University Philosophy Blog*, online. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2020. The Problem of History of Philosophy: Against Michael Huemer. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online. (Turkish)

## BOOK CHAPTERS

**Bakkal, E.** 2024. Saul Kripke: *Identity and Necessity*. In: *Analytic Philosophy: A Reading Guide for Selected Essays*. Ed. by Cem Kamözüt and Umut Morkoç. Çanakkale: Akademim Yayınevi, in the publication process. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2024. The Role Of Critical Thinking in Socially Defective Contexts. In: *XIII. Logic Workshop Book*. Ed. by Vedat Kamer and Şafak Ural. Ankara: Atatürk Kültür Merkezi Publisher, under revision. (Turkish)

## TRANSLATIONS (ENG-TUR)

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. *Conceptual Engineering*. In: *Bad Language* by Herman Cappelen and Josh Dever. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. *The Theoretical Framework of Conceptual Engineering*. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. *Critical Thinking: What is it to be a Critical Thinker?* by Carolina Flores. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

**Bakkal, E.** 2020. *Metaphilosophy* by Nicholas Joll. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

**Bakkal, E.** 2020. *Speciesism* by Dan Lowe. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

**Bakkal, E.** 2020. *Possibility and Necessity: An Introduction to Modality* by Andre Leo Rusavuk. *Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal*, online.

## Presentations

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### CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

**Bakkal, E.** 2024. Can Social Construction Be Reduced to A Doxastic Attitude? The Second Graduate Philosophy Workshop. Online. (Submission is accepted)

**Bakkal, E.** 2023. Social and Metasocial Propositions. The 11th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy: Vienna University, Vienna, Austria.

**Bakkal, E.** 2023. A Doxastic Approach to Social Scientific Explanation. Philosophy Students' Symposium 2023: University of Maribor, Maribor, Slovenia.

**Bakkal, E.** 2023. The Role Of Critical Thinking in Socially Defective Contexts. XII. Logic Workshop by Turkish Logic Society: Atatürk Kültür Merkezi Başkanlığı, Ankara, Turkey. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2022. Inferences from Metafictional Propositions. XI. Logic Workshop by Turkish Logic Society: Kastamonu Üniversitesi, Kastamonu, Turkey. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2019. An Analysis of Oedipus Rex from the Perspective of Informal Logic. Undergraduate Philosophy Conference: İstanbul University, İstanbul, Turkey. (Turkish)

### INVITED TALKS

**Bakkal, E.** 2024. Conceptual Engineering, Conceptual Ethics, and Social Terms. Bilkent University Philosophy Society: Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey. (Invitation is accepted)

**Bakkal, E.** 2023. Comparing Mind-Dependence and Mind-Independence Perspectives on Social Kinds. Work in Progress: Bilkent University Philosophy Department, Ankara, Turkey.

**Bakkal, E.** 2023. In Defense of Abstract Creationism: A Response to Stuart Brock. Work in Progress: Bilkent University Philosophy Department, Ankara, Turkey.

**Bakkal, E.** 2021. What is Conceptual Engineering and How does it Affect Our Problems?. İstanbul Science Festival: İstanbul, Turkey. (Turkish)

**Bakkal, E.** 2020. The Main Concepts in Metaphilosophy and The Potentiality of Normative Metaphilosophy. Association of Philosophy Students in Turkey: Online. (Turkish)

## Outreach & Professional Development

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### SERVICE AND OUTREACH

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| 2023 | <b>The 11th European Congress of Analytic Philosophy</b> , Student Assistant  | <i>Vienna</i>   |
|      | <b>Political Legitimacy and Basic Hypothetical Consent by Niels de Haan in Social Ontology in Political Philosophy Conference</b> , Moderator                         | <i>Ankara</i>   |
|      | <b>Interview with Jade Fletcher on Feminist Metaphysics, it will be published in the 10th issue of Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal</b> , Interviewer and Translator | <i>Ankara</i>   |
|      | <b>Interview with Stephanie Collins on Social Ontology, published in 9th issue of Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal</b> , Interviewer and Translator                  | <i>Ankara</i>   |
| 2022 | <b>Bilkent PhilFest'22, Bilkent University</b> , Conference Officer   | <i>Ankara</i>   |
|      | <b>Bilkent Online Philosophy Dictionary</b> , Translator  | <i>Ankara</i>   |
| 2021 | <b>Language and Communication: Humankind and Bees by Dr. Ömer Aygün, Öncül Philosophy Journal</b> , Moderator   | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Stoicism in Roman Empire by Dr. C. Cengiz Çevik, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer   | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Creating Philosophy Blog for Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University Philosophy Club</b> , Creator  | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>The Single Thought in Arthur Schopenhauer's The World as Will and Representation by A. Onur Aktaş, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer     | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Can The Mind Be Reduced to the Physical? by Dr. Tufan Kıymaz, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer  | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Ancient Greek Philosophy, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Seminar Organizer and Moderator   | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Tractatus in 100. Years: Century Old Ladder by Dr. Umut Morkoç, Öncül Philosophy Journal</b> , Conference Organizer and Moderator                                  | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Language and Meaning in Tractatus by Dr. Dilek Arlı Çil, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer and Moderator                                 | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Critical, Multidimensional and Creative Thinking by Assoc. Dr. Nazif Muhtaroglu, Öncül Philosophy Journal</b> , Conference Organizer and Moderator                 | <i>Online</i>   |
|      | <b>Online Philosophy Dictionary Project, Bilkent University</b> , Translator  | <i>Online</i>   |
| 2020 | <b>Academic Writing by Dr. Alper Yavuz, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Workshop Organizer   | <i>İstanbul</i> |
| 2019 | <b>The Ancient Greek Philosophy, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Seminar Organizer   | <i>İstanbul</i> |
|      | <b>Is Math Invented or Discovered? by Can Gürses, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer   | <i>İstanbul</i> |
|      | <b>World Philosophy Day Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer  | <i>İstanbul</i> |
|      | <b>Critical Thinking by Assoc. Dr. Nazif Muhtaroglu, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Workshop Organizer  | <i>İstanbul</i> |
|      | <b>Sensus Communis: The Aesthetics Foundation of Being Communal by Dr. Emine Sarıkartal, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University</b> , Conference Organizer                  | <i>İstanbul</i> |

### SUMMERSCHOOLS, WORKSHOPS AND READING GROUPS

Modal and Plural Logic Reading Group, *Bilkent University*, 2023.

Philosophy of Religion Reading Group, *Bilkent University*, 2023.

2nd Philosophy Graduate Workshop, *Online*, 2023-2024.

1st Philosophy Graduate Workshop, *Online*, 2023.

Critical Thinking and Artificial Intelligence Workshop, *İBB Gazhane*, 2022.

For the Love of Bee! Ecological Awareness and Art, *Nesin Art Village*, 2022.

İnsancıl Philosophy Reading Group, *Online*, 2021-.

Artificial Intelligent and Formal Ontology Workshop, *Turkish Logic Society*, 2019.

Critical Thinking Workshop, *Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University*, 2019.

Philosophy of Language Summer School, *Nesin Math Village*, 2018.

Philosophy Summer School For High School Students, *Nesin Math Village*, 2017.

## LEADERSHIP

The President of the Philosophy Club, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, 2019-2021.

## MEMBERSHIPS

Öncül Analytic Philosophy Journal, Bilkent University Online Philosophy Dictionary

## Work-in-Progress

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A Critique of Anne Schwenkenbecher's Collective Obligation Theory (Article)

A Required Debate Between Social Realists and Anti-Realists: Sociality and Metasociality (Article)

Translation of *The Ant Trap: Rebuilding the Foundations of the Social Sciences* by Brian Epstein (Editor)

## References

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