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### **GENERAL**

**Place and Date of Birth** Ankara, Turkey – October 17, 1982  
**Nationality** Turkish  
**Marital Status** Married

### **EDUCATION**

<b>PhD in Psychology</b> 2015 February-2018 December	<b>University of Canterbury</b> College of Science Department of Psychology & College of Education, Health and Human Development School of Health Sciences Child and Family Psychology	Awarded UC Doctoral Scholarship
<b>PgDipSc in Psychology</b> 2014 February- November	<b>University of Canterbury</b> College of Education, Health and Human Development Postgraduate Diploma in Child and Family Psychology	GPA: 7.7/10 “with Distinction”
<b>MSc Degree (with Thesis)</b> 2005 – 2009	<b>Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey</b> Institute of Health Sciences Child Development and Education	GPA: 3.56/4
<b>Summer School</b> 2003 July - August	<b>Middlesex University, London, UK</b>	N/A
<b>Undergraduate BA Degree</b> 2000 – 2005	<b>Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey</b> Faculty of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology (4 years, in English)	GPA: 2.59/4
<b>High School</b> 1993 – 2000	<b>FMV Nişantaşı Işık High School, Istanbul, Turkey</b>	High Honors Degree

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<b>2019 September-present</b>	<b>Assistant Professor</b> Eastern Mediterranean University Faculty of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology	<b>Famagusta, North Cyprus</b>
<b>2019 May-August</b>	<b>Developmental Child Psychologist</b> <i>Special Child Health Centre</i>	<b>Antalya, Turkey</b>
<b>2013 June-October</b>	<b>Developmental Child Psychologist</b> <i>Anatolian Hospital</i>	<b>Kemer, Turkey</b>
<b>2012 April-2013 May</b>	<b>Developmental Child Psychologist</b> <i>Part Time Position at Corlu Private Asrin Medical Center</i>	<b>Tekirdag; Turkey</b>
<b>2011 August – 2013 May</b>	<b>Developmental Child Psychologist</b> <i>Paediatric Private Practice “Çorlu Child Health Center”</i>	<b>Tekirdag; Turkey</b>
<b>2007 January - 2011 August</b>	<b>Full Time Academic Staff</b> <i>Gazi University Child Protection Center</i>	<b>Ankara; Turkey</b>
<b>2006 June - 2006 December</b>	<b>Psychologist</b> <i>Çorlu Dört-D Millet Private Hospital Child Development and Family Support Unit</i>	<b>Tekirdag; Turkey</b>
<b>2004-2005</b>	<b>Voluntary Internship</b> <i>Under supervision of Clinical Psychologist. Prof. A.Sebnem Soysal Acar at Gazi University Hospital, Department of Pediatric Health and Illnesses, Child Neurology Section</i>	<b>Ankara; Turkey</b>
<b>2004 November</b>	<b>Three- week practicum</b> <i>Special Education Center for Children with Speech and Language disorders</i>	<b>Ankara; Turkey</b>

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

### THESES

- Yilmaz Akdoğan, G.** (2018). *To intervene or not to intervene: Effects of behavioural sleep interventions on infant attachment quality* (Doctoral thesis). University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand. <http://hdl.handle.net/10092/16355>
- Yilmaz, G.** (2009). *Assessment of family drawings, behavior problems and family functioning of sexually abused and non-abused 6-12 year-old children* (Unpublished master's thesis, YOK Thesis No. 242148). Hacettepe University, Institute of Health Sciences; Ankara, Turkey.

### PUBLICATIONS

#### INTERNATIONAL

- Dolunay-Cuğ, F., **Yilmaz-Akdoğan, G.**, Derman, O., Şahin, Ö., Dağlı Şahin, F., Paslı, F., Güngör, E., & Gökler, B. (2022). The TSPCAN project: A qualitative evaluation with undergraduate students trained in child abuse prevention in Turkey. *Child Abuse Review*, 32(4), e2813. <https://doi.org/10.1002/car.2813>
- Bencik, S., Yalçın, S. S., **Yilmaz, G.**, & Yalçinkaya, F. (2012). Teacher-identified smart children: Low somatic problems and high communication levels. *Hong Kong Journal of Paediatrics*, 17(3), 156-161.

Kutsal, E., Pasli, F., Sahin, F., Isikli, S., **Yilmaz, G.** & Beyazova, U. (2011). Preliminary validation of The Child Abuse Potential Inventory in Turkey. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 26(14), 2856-2865.

## **NATIONAL**

Can, H., Soysal, A.S., Yalcin, K. & **Yilmaz, G.** (2008). The Depressive symptoms and perceived health state in retired individuals followed in a primary health care centre (in Turkish). *New Symposium*, 46, 122.

## **TEACHING**

- 2023-2024 Fall Semester**      **PSYC624- Attachment: Theory and Application**  
Eastern Mediterranean University  
Department of Psychology  
General Psychology PhD Programme  
Area Elective
- 2022-2023 Spring Semester**      **PSYC523- Sleep and Development**  
Eastern Mediterranean University  
Department of Psychology  
General Psychology Master's Programme  
Area Elective
- 2020 Spring Semester - present**      **PSYC282 & PSKL282 -Experimental Psychology: Learning (in English & Turkish) \*name change in 2023 as `Psychology of Learning`**  
Eastern Mediterranean University  
Department of Psychology  
Psychology Undergraduate Programme (English & Turkish)
- 2019 Fall Semester - present**      **PSYC221 & PSKL221-Developmental Psychology-I (in English & Turkish)**  
Eastern Mediterranean University  
Department of Psychology  
Psychology Undergraduate Programme (English & Turkish)
- Fall Semester 2019-2020**      **PSYC107-Introduction to Psychology (English)**  
Eastern Mediterranean University  
Department of Psychology
- 07/04/2019**      **“Infant sleep problems and behavioural sleep interventions: An overview”.**  
Workshop in 6<sup>th</sup> Psychology Symposium at İstanbul City University, İstanbul, Turkey
- 03/10/2017**      **“Behavioural interventions for sleep in children”**  
Workshop presented at the TED University Department of Psychology along with Assoc. Prof. Karyn France from the University of Canterbury
- 02/10/2017**      **“Sleep problems and attachment in infancy: Implications for behavioural sleep interventions”**  
Seminar presented at the TED University Department of Psychology
- 06/04/2017**      **“Case analysis of a 1-year-old infant with sleep problems and effects of the behavioural sleep intervention”**  
Guest Lecturer for CFPY603- “Introduction to Interventions” class at the University of Canterbury Child and Family Psychology Postgraduate

## Diploma Programme

30/05/2016

**“The relationship between sleep problems and attachment patterns in infancy: Implications for behavioural sleep interventions.”**

Guest Lecturer for the CFPY 501- “Models of Practice in Child and Family Psychology” class at the University of Canterbury Postgraduate Diploma Programme in Child and Family Psychology

## CONGRESS PRESENTATIONS

Dolunay-Cuğ, F., **Yılmaz-Akdoğan, G.**, Derman, O., Şahin, Ö., Dağlı, F., Paslı, F., Güngör, E., & Gökler, B. (2021). A qualitative evaluation of the two-step child abuse prevention program by TSPCAN: University students facilitate school-based Prevention. *ISPCAN International Congress, Milan, Italy.*

**Yılmaz, G.** (2010). The assessment of kinetic family drawings of sexually abused children applied to a child protection center in Turkey. *ISPCAN International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.*

Metin, N., Bencik, S., **Yılmaz, G.** & Calisandemir, F. (2007). Gifted and talented children in Turkey: A chronological review of the literature. *World Conference for Gifted and Talented Children.* Warwick, U.K.

Şahin, F., Beyazova, U., Demirel, B., Kuruoglu, A., Akar, T., Iseri, E., Camurdan, A.D., Demirogulları, B., Paslı, F., **Yılmaz, G.**, Gokce, E. (2007). Supporting recovery from child abuse and neglect: Six years - experience of a hospital based child protection team in Turkey. *XIth ISPCAN European Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Lisbon, Portugal*

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

**Yılmaz-Akdoğan, G.**, Yılmaz, M. G., Komurcu, S.M. (2022). Hiperfenilalaninemi tanısı ile izlenen bir olgunun uyku sorunlarına davranışsal çözüm yaklaşımı: Bir tek denekli araştırma modeli. *66th National Pediatrics Conference, Kyrenia, TRNC.*

**Akdoğan, G. Y.**, France, K. G., & Blampied, N. (2017). What parent and child factors predict parental help-seeking for paediatric sleep disturbance (PSD)? *Sleep Medicine, 40*, e355.

Boran, R., Beyazova, U., **Yılmaz, G.**, İlhan, M.N., Şahin, F., Çamurdan, A.D. (2011). Factors affecting the maternal bonding of mothers who attend to a well-child clinic in a university hospital (in Turkish). *1st National Congress on Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics; Ankara, Turkey.*

## BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS

**Yılmaz Akdoğan, G.**, Paslı, F. (2014). How can a preschool teacher identify sexual abuse in children and what can they do when they find out? In Artan, I. (Ed. in Turkish), *Sexual development in early childhood: Section-4: Frequently Asked Questions* (pp338-343). Ankara: Hedef Cs Yayıncılık.

Dağlı, T., İnancıcı, M.A. (Ed.in Turkish) (2011). *Manual for University Hospital Based Child Protection Centers: Integrated approach to abused and neglected children.* Ankara, Turkey: UNICEF.

Dağlı, T., İnancıcı, M.A. (Ed. in Turkish) (2010). *Handbook of University Hospital Based Child Protection Centers.* Ankara, Turkey: UNICEF.

## **AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS**

**2015-2018 UC Doctoral Scholarship**  
Awarded by University of Canterbury

## **COURSES AND CERTIFICATES**

- 2018 July Triple-P Standard Level-4 Provider**  
*Triple-P International Ltd.*  
*Auckland, New Zealand*
- 2016 August Foundations in Cultural Competency (The Course)**  
*Ministry of Health, New Zealand (Manatū Hauora, Aotearoa)*
- 2015 August ‘Strange Situation Procedure’ Training in ABCD Coding System**  
Alan Sroufe, PhD and Elizabeth Carlson, PhD  
*University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA*  
(financed through Canterbury Medical Research Foundation Grant in Aid for Assoc Prof Karyn France)
- 2011 October Attachment and Psychopathology**  
**- November**  
Patricia M. Crittenden, PhD  
*The Tavistock Centre; London, UK*
- 2009 October Two-day workshop on the Administration and Scoring of Bayley Scales of Infant and Toddler Development (Bayley- III)**  
Betty Hutchon  
*Developmental Child Neurology Association; Ankara, Turkey*
- 2008 - 2011 Art Therapy and Creativity.**  
Nevin Eracar, PhD  
*Olgu Centre for Psychological Counseling; Istanbul & Ankara, Turkey*
- 2007 November “Early Mother-Child Interaction and Attachment as a Focus for Preventive Intervention in Child Abuse and Neglect”**  
Kari Killen, PhD  
*ISPCAN Advanced Training Institute; Lisbon, Portugal*
- 2007 May “Forensic Interview with Sexually Abused Children”**  
Lori Payne  
*7th Symposium of Forensic Sciences; Gaziantep, Turkey*
- 2006 April One-week course on Administration and Scoring of Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC-R)**  
Şeniz Özusta, PhD  
*Turkish Psychological Association; Ankara, Turkey*
- 2006 June Child Assessment Package**  
Gülşen Erden, PhD  
*Turkish Psychological Association; Ankara, Turkey*

- 2005 April**      **Two-day workshop on Administration and Scoring of Denver II Developmental Screening Test**  
Birgöl Bayođlu, MSc  
*Developmental Child Neurology Association; Ankara, Turkey*
- 2003 August**    **Know Your Personality and Emotional Intelligence (2 weeks course)**  
Middlesex University Summer School Program; London, UK
- 2003 July**      **Counseling in Education (2 weeks course),**  
Middlesex University Summer School Program; London, UK

## **COMMUNITY/ VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

- 2019-present**    **Manuscript reviewer for the peer-reviewed journal “*Türk Psikoloji Yazıları*”**
- 2016-present**    **Manuscript reviewer for the peer-reviewed journal “*Clinical Child Psychology and Psychiatry*”**
- 2016**            **Antenatal Classes-AN2 and AN10 at Christchurch Parents Centre, Bishopdale, Christchurch, NZ**  
Volunteer as the Liaison Person
- 2010-2012**      **The Study on Standardization of Child Protection Centers in Turkey by Joint Work of Child Protection Centers Coordination Board and UNICEF**  
Member of Education Committee
- 2007-2011**      **“Children First” Preventive Family Training Program for Parents Who Have 0-6 Year Old Children**  
Facilitator at Gazi University Hospital, Ankara; Turkey
- 2008-2011**      **“The University Students Coach Primary School Students on Coping Skills and How to Say No!”**  
Coordinator of community-based prevention project of TSPCAN Youth Division, Ankara; Turkey

## **CONFERENCE ORGANISATIONS and SESSION CHAIRS**

- 2012 September**    **ISPCAN 19th International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect; Istanbul, Turkey**  
*Member of Organization Committee*  
*(Responsible for Youth Participation Forum)*
- 2010 May**        **2nd National Congress on Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect; Ankara, Turkey**  
*Session Chair for poster presentations*
- 2008 May**        **2nd Symposium of Child Abuse and Neglect with International Participation; Ankara, Turkey**  
*Member of Organization Committee*

**2002 April**            **16th EFPSA European Psychology Students Congress;**  
**Avanos, Nevşehir, Turkey**  
*Member of Organization Committee*

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**2013-2015**            **Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)**

**2008-2013**            **International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN)**

**2007-present**        **Turkish Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (TSPCAN)**  
*Coordinator of Youth Division in 2007-2011*

**2006-present**        **Turkish Psychological Association (TPA)**  
*Member of Child Commission*

## **SKILLS and ACTIVITIES**

<b>Languages</b>	<b>Turkish</b>	Native
	<b>English</b>	Excellent
	<b>German</b>	Beginner
	<b>Te Reo Maori</b>	Beginner
<b>Computer Skills</b>	Windows Family Operating Systems	
	MS Office Programs	
	SPSS (All versions)	
	Sigma Plot (v.12.5)	
<b>Leisure Activities</b>	Swimming, SCUBA Diving (CMAS*Scuba Diver), Free Diving, Rock Climbing, Travelling, Performing Arts (Music)	