

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION:

The University of Texas at Austin, Ph.D. in Philosophy (2004)

The University of Texas at Austin, M.A. in Philosophy (1999)

Duke University, B.A. in Economics (1997)

## POSITIONS:

Associate Professor of Ancient Greek Philosophy, Eastern Mediterranean University, 2011-

Visiting Faculty, Boğaziçi University, Summer 2012, 2014

Visiting Research Fellow, Princeton University, Fall 2010

Assistant Professor, Eastern Mediterranean University, 2007-2011

Senior Instructor, Eastern Mediterranean University, 2004-2007

Teaching Assistant, The University of Texas at Austin, 1997-2004

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Ancient Greek philosophy, ethics

## PUBLICATIONS

### ARTICLES:

“*Akrasia and Conflict in the Nicomachean Ethics*”, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (forthcoming).

“Plato on the Pangs of Love” in *The Selected Papers of the Tenth Symposium Platonicum*. Sankt Augustin: Academia Verlag (forthcoming).

“How Smart is the Appetitive Part of the Soul?” in *The Selected Papers of the Ninth Symposium Platonicum*. Sankt Augustin: Academia Verlag (2013), 204-208.

“Plato on the Psychology of Pleasure and Pain”, *Phoenix* 65.3-4 (2011), 288-314.

“Inconsistency and Ambiguity in *Republic IX*”, *The Classical Quarterly* 61.2 (2011), 493-520.

“Relativism and Self-Refutation in the *Theaetetus*”, *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy* XXXVII (Winter 2009), 1-45.

“Plato on a Mistake about Pleasure”, *The Southern Journal of Philosophy* 44/3 (Fall 2006), 447-468.

“Non-Substantial Individuals in Aristotle’s *Categories*”, *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy* XXVI (Summer 2004), 185-212.

#### BOOK REVIEWS:

Review of C.D.C. Reeve’s *Blindness and Reorientation: Problems in Plato’s Republic* (Oxford University Press, 2013), in *Polis, The Journal for Ancient Greek Political Thought* 32 (2015), 240-244.

#### CONFERENCE PAPERS, WORKSHOPS, AND INVITED TALKS:

“Plato’s *Republic VI*, 500b-502c”, Reading Group on Plato’s *Republic VI*, Norwegian Institute at Athens, December 2015.

“Theophrastus, *De Sensibus* 5-6”, *Southeast European Association for Ancient Philosophy conference*, Athens, October 2015.

“Aristotle on Liberality: the Significance of *Ousia*”, International Workshop, Université catholique de Louvain, December 2014.

“Weakness of Will in the *Nicomachean Ethics*: How Socratic is Aristotle?”, Department of Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, July 2014.

“Plato on the Transformation of Love”, Department of Philosophy, Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi (Middle East Technical University), February 2014.

- “Plato on the Pangs of Love”, *The X Symposium Platonicum of the International Plato Society*, Universita di Pisa, Pisa, July 2013.
- “The Capacity for Belief in Plato’s Late Works”, *From the Stoa to Hagia Sophia: Lectures on the Classical and Medieval Mediterranean*, Eastern Mediterranean University, April 2013.
- “A Socratic Account of Akrasia in the *Nicomachean Ethics*?”, *Readings of Aristotle*, University of Nicosia, February 2013.
- “Plato on Belief in the Tripartite Soul”, Department of Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, August 2012.
- “Plato on the Capacity for Beliefs”, *35<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop in Ancient Philosophy*, The University of Texas at Austin, March 2012.
- “How Smart is the Appetitive Part of the Soul?”, *The IX Symposium Platonicum of the International Plato Society*, Keio University, Tokyo, August 2010.
- “Plotinus on Time: Ennead III.7.11.40-62”, *Southeast European Association for Ancient Philosophy conference*, Charles University, Prague, May 2009.
- “Two Ways to Evaluate Pleasure in *Republic IX*”, Department of Philosophy, University of Edinburgh, October 2008.
- “Does Plato Change his Mind about Pleasure and Pain?”, *The VIII Symposium Platonicum of the International Plato Society*, Trinity College, Dublin, July 2007.
- “Plato on the Psychology of Pleasure and Pain”, Department of Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, March 2007.
- “Protagorean Relativism in Plato’s *Theaetetus*”, *4<sup>th</sup> Boğaziçi-Athens Conference – Realism/Universalism vs. Relativism/Culturalism: Philosophical, Historical and Political Perspectives*, Boğaziçi University, May 2006.
- Comment on Ravi Sharma’s “What is Aristotle’s ‘Third Man’ Argument Against the Forms?”, *26<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop in Ancient Philosophy*, Texas A&M University, March 2003.
- “Pleasures in the *Republic IX*: A Consistent Account?”, *25<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop in Ancient Philosophy*, The University of Texas at Austin, March 2002.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

The continuity of Plato's thought on pleasure and pain  
Book project on Plato on pleasure and happiness in the *Republic*  
The capacity to hold beliefs in Plato's late dialogues

## HONORS AND AWARDS:

At the University of Texas at Austin

University Continuing Fellowship, 2002-2003

Tuition Fellowship, 2001-2002

Gareth Morgan Fellowship, Summer 1998

At Duke University

AMIDEAST/CASP (Cyprus America Scholarship Program) full  
scholarship for undergraduate education, 1993-97

Delta Phi Alpha (German Honor Society), 1995

Dean's List with Distinction, 1994, 1995

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

At Eastern Mediterranean University

Undergraduate: Introduction to Philosophy; Philosophy of Education; Moral

Philosophy; Plato and Nietzsche; Research Methods; Philosophical Issues,

Philosophy and Literature; Epistemology; Ethics in Professional Life; Applied Ethics; Ethical

Development: Theory and Empirical Evidence; Philosophy of Mind

Graduate: Philosophy of Education; Desire, Pleasure and Happiness: Ancient and  
Modern Views

At Boğaziçi University

History of Philosophy I

At The University of Texas at Austin

Contemporary Moral Problems; Introduction to Philosophy; Introduction

to Ethics; Knowledge and Reality; History of Ancient Philosophy; Early Modern

Philosophy – Descartes to Kant

## EDITORIAL POSITIONS:

Co-editor, *Journal of Cyprus Studies* (Eastern Mediterranean University  
Press), 2005-2007

Associate editor, *Eastern Mediterranean University Research Newsletter*, 2005-2006

## SERVICE:

### At Eastern Mediterranean University:

Member, University Elective Courses Committee, Spring 2010-  
Member, Faculty of Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning Committee, 2007-8, 2012, 2015  
Chair, Department of Psychology Disciplinary Committee, Fall 2010-  
Department of Psychology University Elective Courses Coordinator, Spring 2010-  
Member, Department of Psychology Hiring Committee, Spring 2011-  
Member, Bologna Coordination Commission, Spring 2011-2014

Instructor, In-service training course for EMU Library staff, Spring 2011  
Department Chair, Department of English Literature and Humanities, Feb. 2007-Jan. 2010

Member, Rector Candidate Search Committee, 2009  
Chair, General Education Commission, 2007  
Member, Faculty of Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning Committee, 2007-2008

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

International Plato Society  
South-East European Association for Ancient Philosophy

## LANGUAGES:

Turkish (native speaker), English, German, Ancient Greek.