## Dogus Aktan

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#### **Current Status**

Postdoctoral Scholar at University of Kentucky, Political Science Department.

#### **Examination Fields**

Comparative Politics. Passed with Distinction. International Relations. Passed with Distinction.

### Research Interests

Formal Models, Contentious Politics, Social Movements, State Repression, Civil Resistance.

#### Education

- 2016-2023. Doctoral Program in International Studies, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- 2014-2016. Master of Arts in International Studies, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- 2008-2013. Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Galatasaray University.

### Research

- Aktan, Dogus. "Signaling and Screening in Contentious Politics" R &R at Journal of Conflict Resolution.
- Aktan, Dogus. "How Does Violence Deter? Functional and Informational Effects of Preemptive Repression" R&R at Conflict Management and Peace Science.
- Aktan, Dogus. "Ignoring or Responding to Protests" R&R at Conflict Management and Peace Science.
- Aktan, Dogus "Resistance or Calling on the Big Brother? A Model of Local Protests in Authoritarian Regimes." -Working Paper.

## Teaching Experience

#### Instructor

- Honors Thesis in Political Science (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023, Spring 2024. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Conduct of American Foreign Relations (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023, Spring 2024. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- International Political Economy (Undergraduate level) Spring 2024. As post-doctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- International Organizations (Undergraduate level) Fall 2023. As postdoctoral scholar, University of Kentucky.
- Globalization and Knowledge Economy (Undergraduate level) Fall 2021-2023. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Major Issues in International Security (Undergraduate level) Winter 2020. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Contemporary Issues in Political Economy (Undergraduate level) September 2018- 2022. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Dragons, Mutants, and Drug Dealers: Advanced Topics in IR and IPE through Western Pop Culture. Fall 2019. As adjunct Professor, University of Denver.
- Math Workshop for Graduate Students. Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.
- Causal Inference (DAGs) Workshop for Graduate Students. Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver.

### Teaching Assistant

- September 2016- June 2018. Teaching Assistant: Contemporary Issues in Political Economy (Undergraduate level) with Dr. Keith Gehring.
- September 2017- December 2017. Teaching Assistant: International Politics (Graduate level) with Dr. Jack Donnelly.

#### Research Assistant

- September 2014 June 2016. Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Joseph Szyliowicz.
- September 2015 September 2017. Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Erica Chenoweth in the Major Episodes of Contention (MEC) project.

## **Additional Training**

- ISCPSR Summer Program 2018 .
  - Mathematical Models: Rational Choice Theories of Politics and Society.
  - Game Theory.
  - Social Choice.
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute 2019.
- Bridging the Gap New Era Workshop (NEW) 2021.
- Responsible Engagement Initiative Pre-Peace Science Workshop (RPEI) 2022.
- Introduction to Agent-Based Modeling, Santa Fe Institute 2022.
- Peace Science Rising Scholars Workshop 2022.

## Fellowships & Grants

- United States Institute of Peace (USIP) Peace Scholar Fellowship 2020.
- Empirical Implication of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute Fellowship 2019.
- Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Methods Workshop Grant for ICPSR 2018. (\$3000)
- $\bullet$  Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Conference Travel Grant for the 2019-2020 year. (\$4000)

### Service

- Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, ISA Annual Conference 2022, Nashville.
- Graduate Assistant to Program Chairs, ISSS-IS Annual Conference 2019, Denver.

# Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (fluent), French (fluent)

### Relevant Skills

Mathematica, LATEX, NetLogo, Causal Inference, DAGs, Python