

KURSAT JONATHAN PEKGOZ

EDUCATION

(2004 - 2009) *Bilkent University*, B.Sc., Molecular Biology and Genetics
(2010 - 2014) *Bosphorus University*, M.A., Western Languages
(2014 - 2019) *University of Southern California*, Ph.D., English Literature
(incomplete)

LANGUAGES

English (native)
Turkish (native)
Ancient Greek (six semesters at Bosphorus University)
Russian (diploma from TOMER, Ankara University)
Latin (two semesters at Bosphorus University)
French (two semesters at Bilkent University)
German (classes at Goethe-Institut)

SCHOLARSHIPS

Bilkent University: Comprehensive (100%) Scholarship for the Molecular Biology & Genetics Department, awarded to students who achieve exceptional success (1006th out of 1.8 million applicants in Quantitative, 421st in Verbal).
Bosphorus University: Selcuk Altun Scholarship for Creative Writing (2010-2014).
University of Southern California: Provost's Fellowship (the most exclusive on campus, granted once per annum for each cohort, 2014-ongoing).
Olive Tree Initiative: Student Diplomat Scholarship (2017, Summer).

WORK EXPERIENCE

Translator/Interpreter (since 2005). Worked as a translator for various companies, Turkish-English. Areas of specialization include: biomedicine, literature, law. 19+ years of experience.

European Molecular Biology Lab (2007, summer). Primordium development In *D. rerio*.

University of Southern California (2015-2018). Assistant Lecturer at the University of Southern California (Writing and Critical Thinking).

Doruk Anonim Insaat (2020-2023). Vice President for our family real estate company.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Spiro Pantazatos, Associate Professor of Neurobiology at Columbia University (2011-2019)

James Moore II, former Vice Dean and Professor Emeritus of Systems Engineering at the University of Southern California

Janice Fiamengo, Professor Emeritus at English at the University of Ottawa

Ozlen Konu, Associate Professor of Molecular Biology & Genetics at Bilkent University

Kenneth Jolivet, former director of NATO forces at Bulgaria and former lieutenant at USAF (United States Air Force)

Hans Bader, CEO & former Deputy General Counsel at the United States Department of Education



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