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SKILLS	Microsoft Office, NVivo, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, ArcGIS (beginner), SketchUp, Canva, AutoCAD																		
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Queer spaces, LGBTQ+ planning, gentrification, collaborative governance, LGBTQ+ movement, civil society, civic engagement, community development, Global South																		
TEACHING & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	<p>August 2022 – Present Liberal Arts Action Lab, Trinity College Postdoctoral Fellow Fall 2022: Hartford Small Businesses Project Instructor Fall 2022: Action Research Methods in Hartford Instructor</p> <p>August 2017 – May 2022 Urban and Regional Planning Department, Florida State University Teaching/Research Assistant Assisting faculty members with classroom instruction, exams, record keeping, and other miscellaneous projects. Performing teaching or teaching-related duties to assist faculty members and professors. Grading tests and homework, and recording grades in grade book. Assigning material in class as needed. Performing my own research.</p> <table><tr><td>Spring 2022 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Fall 2021 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Spring 2021 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Fall 2020 URP 5847: Growth and Development of Cities</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Summer 2020 URP 4618: Planning for Developing Regions</td><td>Instructor</td></tr><tr><td>Summer 2020 URP 5939: Gender and the City</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Spring 2020 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life</td><td>Instructor</td></tr><tr><td>Summer 2019 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr><tr><td>Spring/Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 URP 3000: Introduction to Planning and Urban Development</td><td>Teaching Assistant</td></tr></table>	Spring 2022 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life	Teaching Assistant	Fall 2021 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life	Teaching Assistant	Spring 2021 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life	Teaching Assistant	Fall 2020 URP 5847: Growth and Development of Cities	Teaching Assistant	Summer 2020 URP 4618: Planning for Developing Regions	Instructor	Summer 2020 URP 5939: Gender and the City	Teaching Assistant	Spring 2020 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life	Instructor	Summer 2019 URS 1006: World Cities: Quality of Life	Teaching Assistant	Spring/Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 URP 3000: Introduction to Planning and Urban Development	Teaching Assistant
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	<p>Oct 2013 – July 2017 Pamir & Soyuer Real Estate Consultancy, Istanbul, Turkey Research Analyst As a Research Analyst, my responsibilities included research, data collection and analyses regarding the economic situation of Turkey, real estate market of the country including residential, retail, office and industrial markets with mix-used projects, besides negotiating zoning issues with the planning departments of local municipalities. As an</p>																		

outcome, I prepared and published the periodical market reports. Occasionally, client-based market research and highest and best use analysis reports were also under my responsibility in coordination with the other team members of the firm. For reports I produced between 2013 and 2017, please see: <https://pamirsoyuer.com.tr/en/research/>

Oct 2012 – May 2013

Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education, Istanbul, Turkey

City and Regional Planning Specialist

As an Urban Planner I worked at Real Estate and Construction Department for the Turkish National Education Ministry. My duties included investigating the master plan decisions regarding the school areas of 39 districts of Istanbul and developing proposals for future possible school areas.

**EDUCATION &
RESEARCH**

August 2017 - Present

Ph.D., Urban and Regional Planning, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

Supervisor: Dr. Petra L. Doan

- The focus of my research is on LGBTI+ individuals and queer spaces in the Global North and South. I am particularly interested in the
 - involvement of the LGBTI+ communities in local decision making processes,
 - in the creative ways they carve out their spaces,
 - and the solidarities and strategies they develop as a response against the effects of national and government politics, in particular the urban planning decisions that lead to rapid gentrification and displacement of individuals from their settlements.

May 2012

Master of Urban Planning, University at Buffalo, SUNY, Buffalo, New York

Supervisor: Dr. Robert Silverman

- Master thesis: "Perceptions of the Renewal and Reuse of Historic Buildings in the Beyoglu District of Istanbul: A Case Study of the Demiroren Shopping Center and Movie Theaters"
- Findings of my thesis regarding the housing problems and displacement of transgender community from their neighborhoods planted the first seeds of my doctoral research.

June 2009

B.Sc., Urban and Regional Planning, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey

**HONORS &
AWARDS**

2020-2021 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Nomination, The Program for Instructional Excellence at the Graduate School of Florida State University.

Research Name: Understanding Barriers to Full Civic Participation by the LGBTQ+ Community: The Case of Atlanta

Award: Civic Engagement and Political Participation Research Grant Program, 2020 awarded by Institute of Politics, Florida State University.

Amount: \$19,750

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Research Name: Inclusive City Politics?: Analyzing LGBTI+ Inclusion in Municipal Decision Making Processes through a Queer Lens, Istanbul.

Award: IJURR Foundation Studentship, 2020.

Amount: £ 4,000

Role: Principal Investigator

Project Name: Against the Grain | A new Direction for the Old First Ward

Award: New York State APA award for Outstanding Student Project, 2012 Professional Awards

The project was conducted during the studio course held by Clinical Associate Professor Kerry Traynor at SUNY at Buffalo.

RESEARCH WRITINGS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- **Atalay, O., & Doan, P. L.** (2020). Making lesbian space at the edge of Europe: Queer spaces in Istanbul. *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, 24(3), 255-271. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10894160.2019.1683700>
- **Atalay, O., & Doan, P. L.** (2019). Reading LGBT Movement through its Spatiality in Istanbul, Turkey. *Geography Research Forum*, 39(1), 106-126.

Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

- Doan, P. L., & **Atalay, O.** (2021). After the life of LGBTQ spaces: Learning from Atlanta and Istanbul. In A. Bitterman & D. B. Hess (Eds.), *The life and afterlife of gay neighborhoods: Resurgence and renaissance*. Springer International Publishing. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-66073-4>
- Doan, P. L., & **Atalay, O.** (in press). Queer Perspectives on planning and power. In M. Gunter, K. Grange, T. Winkler, (Eds.), *The Handbook of planning and power*. Edward Elgar Publishing.

Master's Thesis

- Atalay, O. (2012). *Perceptions of the renewal and reuse of historic buildings in the Beyoglu district of Istanbul: a case study of the Demirören shopping center and movie theaters* (unpublished master thesis). Graduate School of the University at Buffalo, State University of New York.

Conference Presentations

- Atalay, O. (2020). Queer spaces in Istanbul: an exploration of conflicting forces. Presented at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Virtual Conference.

- **Atalay, O., & Doan, P. L. (2019).** Making lesbian space at the edge of Europe: Queer spaces in Istanbul. Presented at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Conference, Greenville, SC.
- **Atalay, O., Doan, P.L. (2018).** *In Pursuit of (Inclusive) Queer Spaces: The Case of Middle East.* Presented at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Kubat, S., **Atalay, O., Ozdemir, O. (2013).** *Centrality in Beyazit Square, Istanbul.* Presented at 9th International Space Syntax Symposium, Seoul, South Korea.

Other

- Atalay, O. (2014). *A significant problem: lack of public libraries in Istanbul.* Available online: <http://theglobalgrid.org/a-significant-problem-lack-of-public-libraries-in-istanbul/>
- Atalay, O. (2014). *Haydarpasa train station and Istanbul- Gebze line.* Available online: <http://theglobalgrid.org/haydarpasa-train-station-istanbul-gebze-line/>
- Atalay, O. (2014). *The Galataport project and the transformation of Karakoy in Istanbul, Turkey.* Available online: <http://theglobalgrid.org/the-galaport-project-and-the-transformation-of-karakoy-in-istanbul-turkey/>
- [Real Estate Market Reports published periodically \(2013-2017\)](#)-both in English and Turkish (quarterly) by Pamir & Soyuer where I worked as Research Analyst.

REVIEWER FOR REFEREED JOURNALS	Journal of Lesbian Studies (2020-present) Gender, Place & Culture (2021-present)
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VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE	<p>June 2021-September 2021 Bicycle House Tallahassee: Organizing the incoming parts, disassembling bikes and recycling, teaching bike safety, participating in the workshops, being involved in the community bike rides, welcoming folks and clients, helping with grant applications.</p> <p>December 2020- Lambdistanbul LGBTI+ Solidarity Association: Coordinating “academic and activism reading and discussion group”, “archive group”, “activity planning committee”, “broadcasting group” and “trans+ group” along with the other members of the organization.</p>
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	<p>December 2020- Istanbul City Council-Social Equality Working Group</p>
SERVICE	<p>Fall 2021 PhD Student Representative to the Faculty Search Committee, FSU Department of Urban and Regional Planning. Assisted with the process of disseminating job ad, reviewing applications and recommending candidates for the faculty to invite to campus for interviews, and coordinating doctoral student participation in the on-campus interviews.</p>
MEMBERSHIPS	<p>Lambdalstanbul LGBTI+ Solidarity Association Istanbul City Council-Social Equality Working Group American Planning Association Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Association of American Geographers Urban Land Institute</p>
LANGUAGES	<p>English (full professional proficiency), Turkish (native)</p>