**Seçil GÖNÜLTAŞ**

 **Curriculum Vitae**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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**EDUCATION**

 Koç Üniversity– İstanbul

 • Developmental Psychology MA program (2015-con’t)

 Boğaziçi University– Istanbul

 • BA, Psychology - (2009-2014)

 **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Gonultas, S**., Sumer, Ö., Yavuz, M., & Selcuk, B. (2016, May). Role of language and false belief understanding in emotion understanding in Turkish preschool children. Poster presented at the 28th APS Annual Convention, Chicago, USA.
2. **Gönültaş, S**., Yavuz, H. M., Sumer, O., & Selçuk, B. (2016, September). Zihin kuramı ve dil becerisi duygu anlama ile ilişkili mi? [Are language and false belief understanding related to emotion understanding?]. Poster presented at the 19th National Congress of Psychology, Izmir, Turkey.
3. Sumer, Ö., **Gonultas, S**., Yavuz, M., & Selcuk, B. (2016, May). The role of marital conflict and father involvement on Turkish preschool children’s physical aggression. Poster presented at the 28th APS Annual Convention, Chicago, USA.
4. Sumer, O., **Gonultas, S**., Yavuz, M., & Selcuk, B. (2016, July). Development of executive functions, theory of mind and social competence in institution-reared and parent reared children. Poster presented at the 24th Biennial Meeting of the International Society for the Study of Behavioural Development (ISSBD), Vilnius, Lithuania.
5. Sumer, O., Yavuz, H. M., **Gönültaş, S**., & Selçuk, B. (2016, September). Babanın çocuk yetiştirmeye dâhil olmasının çocuğun saldırganlık seviyesi ile ilişkisi [The relationship between father involvement in child-rearing and children’s physical aggression]. Poster presented at the 19th National Congress of Psychology, Izmir, Turkey.
6. Sumer, O., **Gönültaş, S**., Yavuz, H. M., & Selçuk, B. (2016, September). Aile ve kurumda yetişen çocukların bilişsel ve sosyal gelişimi farklılık gösterir mi? [Is there any difference in the cognitive and social development between institution-reared and parent-reared children?]. Poster presented at the 19th National Congress of Psychology, Izmir, Turkey.

 **RESEARCH EXPERİENCE**

Koç University, Child and Family Studies Laboratory…..…...........…….September 2015- Con’t

• Research Assisstant

* Ongoing Project: Psychological well-being of war-torn children in southeastern Turkey.
* Ongoing Project: A screening study for psychological well-being of refugee children in Turkey
* Ongoing Project: Executive functions interventions for Syrian refugee children in Turkey.
* Advisor: Associate Professor Bilge Selçuk

Boğaziçi University, Cognitive Laboratory.......................................September-December 2014

• Research Assistant

* Project: Cultural variation in memory and attentional processes
* Advisor: Associate Professor Ayşecan Boduroğlu

Boğaziçi University, Learning Laboratory.......................................September-December 2013

• Research Assistant

* Project: Classical and secondary classical conditioning
* Advisor: Professor Falih Köksal

Durham University, Developmental Psychology Laboratory…..……..……..June-September 2013

• Research Assistant (Summer Erasmus Programme)

* Project: : Identifying fetal movement in 4-D scans
* Advisor: Professor Nadja Reissland

Boğaziçi University, Developmental Psychology Laboratory …….….………….February-June 2013

• Research Assistant

* Project: Emotional socialization process in children
* Advisor: Associate Professor Feyza Çorapçı

**TEACHING ASSISTANT**

PSYC 101 – Introduction to Psychology (Koç University)..........................................................Fall 2016

PSYC 101 – Introduction to Psychology (Koç University).......................................................Spring 2016

PSYC 101 – Introduction to Psychology (Koç University)..........................................................Fall 2015

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

 Koç University MA program Scholarship………………………………………….2015-Con’t

 Undergraduate Scholarship in Turkey, (TUBİTAK)………………………………..2009-2014

 Erasmus Summer Intern Scholarship……………………………………………….2013

**VOLUNTARY INTERNSHIPS**

Günışığı Child and Family Center, Intern …………………………….…….…..August-December 2014

• Observing children in play settings, participating therapy sessions as an observer with the therapist, observing children’s social cognitive development, participating school children’s play group activities

Okmeydanı SSK Hospital, Intern…………………………………………….….January- March 2014

• Helping the psychologists for applying psychological tests to the both adults and children, observing adults and children with mental difficulties

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS in PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

* Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)
* International Society for the Study of Behavioural Development (ISSBD)
* Association for Psychological Science (APS)

**SKILLS**

* Languages: English (Advanced)--Spanish (Intermediate)
* Computer: Windows MS programs—SPSS--Obsever XT9

**RESEARCH INTEREST**

* Theory of mind development in childhood and the factors like culture and family that influence the development of it.
* Social, emotional and cognitive development of children who grow up in disadvantageous conditions like refugee, war-torn children.
* Social and emotional development in early childhood and the effects of parents and peers on social-emotional development.