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## **EDUCATION**

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BARNARD COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, USA May 2021  
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Statistics GPA: 3.88/4.00  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Honors Thesis\*: Influence of Motivational Fit on the Choices Made for the Self and Someone Else

Advisor: Dr. Niall Bolger

\*with distinction

ROBERT COLLEGE, Istanbul, Turkey 2012-2017  
High Honors GPA: 92.0/100

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Research Assistant**, Couples Lab, Columbia University – New York, USA 2018 – 2021  
Advisor: Niall Bolger, PhD

- Initiated an independent study examining the moderating role of regulatory fit in self-other decision-making processes for my senior research thesis.
- Conducted multilevel mediation analysis in R to investigate the underlying mechanism of Social Value Theory. Prepared a poster and presented findings at the SPSP Convention.
- Applied physiological sensors (ECG, Impedance, Blood Pressure) to participants, acquired audiovisual data, measured interoceptive accuracy to measure the effect of shared reality on participants' stress appraisal and performance on difficult tasks.
- Surveyed participants in the field on parents' decision-making for their children and themselves using the delay of gratification paradigm. Performed data entry and cleaning.
- Conducted literature reviews on topics ranging from behavioral feeding interventions to promote healthy eating behaviors in children; surrogate decision-making in peer-peer and parent-child dyads in risky scenarios; the role of regulatory focus on surrogate decision-making.

**Research Assistant**, Bogazici University – Istanbul, Turkey August 2016  
Advisor: Belma Haznedar, PhD

- Conducted literature reviews on phonological, morphological, and orthographical awareness in children, and psycholinguistics.
- Data entry and analysis of eye-tracking experiments measuring attention in children aged 6-11.

**Research Assistant**, Koc University – Istanbul, Turkey August 2015  
Advisor: Aylin Kuntay, PhD

- Transcribed and coded video interviews of children to identify nonverbal markers of lying in spontaneous deceptive contexts.
- Conducted literature reviews on the acquisition of lying as a skill in kids and the theory of mind.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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**Babur, B., Goldring, M., & Bolger, N. (2021).** Influence of Motivational Fit on Choices for the Self and Someone Else. Honors Thesis Presented at the Barnard College Thesis Defense.

**Babur, B., Goldring, M., & Bolger, N. (2021).** Influence of Motivational Fit on Choices for the Self and Someone Else. Poster presented at SPSP Virtual Convention.

**Babur, B., Yeoh, K. D., Alvarez, S., Goldring, M., & Bolger, N. (2020).** Explaining Differences in Decisions for the Self and Someone Else: Social Value Theory as an Explanatory Mechanism). Poster presented at SPSP 2020 in New Orleans, LA.

## AWARDS

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Hollingworth Prize for Outstanding Research in Psychology (Barnard College)	2021
SPSP Diversity Undergraduate Travel Award	2021
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Tow Special Professional Opportunities Fund Recipient (Barnard College)	2020
Student Life Leadership Development Grant (Barnard College)	2019

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Columbia Daily Diary and Multilevel Modeling Workshop	November, 2020
NYU Virtual Research Internship Program	August 10 – 14, 2020
Stanford Social Neuroscience Lab Professional Development Workshop Series	August, 2020
Harvard Human Flourishing Program: Meaning of Life Conference	April 19-20, 2019
IRB Animal Care and Use	2019
IRB Human Subjects Protection SBR	2018
IRB RCR Social and Behavioral Certificate	2018

## HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

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Psi Chi Honor Society	2020
Schvidler Fellow (Barnard College)	2019
Dean's List (Barnard College)	2018 – 2020

## SKILLS & LANGUAGES

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**Technical Skills:** R, SPSS, SAS, SQL, Qualtrics, Adobe Suite, Google Suite, and Microsoft Office Suite

**Physiology Skills & Tools:** ECG, IMP, BP, BIOPAC: AcqKnowledge & MP160, Eyelink1000 Plus

**Languages:** Turkish (Native), French (Professional Proficiency)

## REFERENCES

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