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Biography

Dr. Defne Turker Demir received her BA in Western Languages and Literatures from Bogazici University, her MA in English Language and Literature from Dogus University, and her Ph.D in American Culture and Literature from Istanbul University, Turkey. At present she is an Assistant Professor at Kultur University, teaching at the Department English Language and Literature, with a focus on Post-Colonial, Post-Modern, and Minority Literatures. She has presented at conferences, and visited universities and institutes as an invited speaker in the US and Europe, giving talks on giving talks mainly on Cultural History, and Native American Literary Practices. Her research and publications focus on self-writing and ethnicity.

Education Information

Doctorate, Istanbul University, Edebiyat Fakültesi, Batı Dilleri Ve Edebiyatları Bölümü, Turkey 2008 - 2012

Postgraduate, Dogus University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili Ve Edebiyatı Bölümü, Turkey 2002 - 2006

Undergraduate, Bogazici University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, Batı Dilleri Ve Edebiyatları Bölümü, Turkey 1988 - 1995

Certificates, Courses and Trainings

Other, Crossings Graduate Program , Boğaziçi University and University of Southern California, 2004

Other, Pedagogical Formation, Marmara University, 1997

Dissertations

Doctorate, Self-representations of the misrepresented?selfhood and identity in autobiographical texts by native American authors, Istanbul University, Edebiyat Fakültesi, Batı Dilleri Ve Edebiyatları Bölümü, 2012

Postgraduate, A narrative of the life of Mrs. Charlotte Charke and the eighteenth century English society, Dogus University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili Ve Edebiyatı Bölümü, 2006

Research Areas

Philology

Academic Titles / Tasks

Assistant Professor, Istanbul Kultur University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili ve Edebiyatı, 2023 - Continues
Assistant Professor, Istinye University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili Ve Edebiyatı Bölümü, 2020 - 2023
Assistant Professor, Istanbul Ayyansaray University, İktisadi, İdari Ve Sosyal Bilimler Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili Ve Edebiyatı Bölümü, 2018 - 2020
Assistant Professor, Istanbul Kultur University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili ve Edebiyatı, 2015 - 2018
Assistant Professor, Halic University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, Amerikan Kültürü Ve Edebiyatı Bölümü, 2005 - 2015

Academic and Administrative Experience

Head of Department, Istanbul Ayyansaray University, İngiliz Dili ve Edebiyatı, 2019 - 2020
Erasmus Program Department Coordinator, Istanbul Kultur University, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, İngiliz Dili ve Edebiyatı, 2017 - 2019
Head of Department, Halic University, Translation and Interpreting, 2013 - 2014

Courses

Scientific Research Methods and Publication Ethics, Postgraduate, 2023 - 2024
British Culture and Civilisation II, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024
American Drama, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024
Teaching Methods, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024
Theory in Practice, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024
British Culture & Civilisation 1, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024
Special Topics in English Literature- PostColonial Literature, Postgraduate, 2021 - 2022
Special Studies in English Literature: Postmodern Literature , Postgraduate, 2020 - 2021
Gothic Tradition, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017, 2015 - 2016
Modern Literature, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017
Graduation Project, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017
PostColonial Readings, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018
Survey of English Literature II, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018
From Utopias to Dystopias, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017
Victorian Heroines, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017
PostModern Literature, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018
Renaissance Drama Its Mediaval Roots, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018
Sources of Western Culture Civilisation, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018
POST-COLONIAL LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017, 2015 - 2016
POST-MODERN LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017, 2015 - 2016
Beginnings of the English Novel, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017, 2015 - 2016
Mythology, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017
POST-MODERN LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017
Survey of English Literature I, Undergraduate, 2016 - 2017
Cultures of the World II, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Cultures of the World I, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
MİNORİTY LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Mythology, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Discourse Analysis, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
POST-COLONIAL LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015, 2012 - 2013
CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015, 2013 - 2014
POST-MODERN LİTERATURE, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015, 2012 - 2013
Postcolonial Literature II, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015

Textual Analysis, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Graduation Project, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
History of Western Lit, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Survey of Engl. Lit I, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015, 2013 - 2014, 2012 - 2013
Modern Literature, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015
Minority Literature I, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014
MINORITY LITERATURE II, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014
Survey of Engl. Lit II, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014
Post-Colonial Literature I, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014
Postcolonial Lit, II, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014
Postcolonial Lit II, Undergraduate, 2012 - 2013

Jury Memberships

PhD Thesis Monitoring Committee Member, PhD Thesis Monitoring Committee Member, Yeditepe University, January, 2023

Designed Lessons

Demir D., Scientific Research Methods and Publication Ethics, Postgraduate, 2023 - 2024

Articles Published in Other Journals

- I. **Breaking the Constructs Like a Trickster: Sherman Alexie's The Absolutely True Diary of a Parttime Indian**
Demir D.
PRUEBAS, vol.1, no.2, pp.14-42, 2020 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- II. **From Voyager to Migrant, Foreigner to Refugee: Strange Selves or Those Who are Strangers to Other Selves**
Demir D.
Histoires, culture et connexion, Hypothèses - Ce carnet dans le catalogue d'Open Edition, vol.2, 2018 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- III. **Native American Autobiographical Practices: Louis Owens - A Temporally and Spacially Constructed Subjectivity**
Demir D.
Metafor, no.2, pp.87-106, 2017 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- IV. **Cevizli Sokaktaki Ev veya Çocuk Gözüyle Nazım Hikmet: Yokluğu ve Geride Kalanlar**
Demir D.
Felsefe Yazın, no.22, pp.43-45, 2017 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- V. **Exposure: Can Experience Materialise through Dematerialisation? Objects and their Lack within a Simulation**
Demir D.
Histories, culture et connexion, vol.1, no.1, pp.1, 2017 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- VI. **Osmanlı ya Dair Kölelik Anlatıları Yollar Kimlik İnancı**
Demir D.
Felsefe Yazın, no.15, pp.57-63, 2009 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

Books & Book Chapters

- I. **Sözcüklerle Kurgulanan Bir Benlik: Scott Momaday'ın Metinleri Özelinde Çağdaş Amerikan Yerli Yazınından Özyaşam Öyküsü Örneklerinde Dilin Yaratım Gücü**
Demir D.
in: Dil, Kültür ve Metin Çağdaş Yaklaşımlar, Tekin İnci Bilgin, Editor, Doruk Yayınları, İstanbul, pp.91-120, 2017
- II. **Ottoman Slave Narratives: Selfhood and Faith, Trials and Travails**
Demir D.
in: Critical Insights The Slave Narrative, Drake Kimberly, Editor, Salem Press , New York, pp.94-112, 2014
- III. **Dances with the "Shadow Catchers": The Artifactualization of the Native Americans, Imagined and Imaged**
Demir D.
in: Folklores et Politique Approaches Comparees et reflexions critiques Europes - Ameriques, Fiszer Stanislaw, Francfort Didier, Niviere Antoine, Noel Jean-Sebastien, Editor, Editions Le Manuscrit, Paris, pp.141-154, 2014

Refereed Congress / Symposium Publications in Proceedings

- I. **Çevirilmiş Toprak, Çevrelenmiş Halk: Güneybatı'dan Kuzeybatı'ya, Dünden Bugüne ABD'de Toprak Hakları ve Amerikan Yerli Halkları (Surrounded Land, Unsurrendered People: Native American Peoples and Land Rights from the Past to Present)**
Demir D.
2nd Interdisciplinary Conference Ecological - Ethical Encounters: The Question of Justice for the Earth (2. Disiplinlerarası Ekolojik-Etik Temaslar: Yeryüzü İçin Adalet Sorusu), İstanbul, Turkey, 01 May 2018, vol.3, pp.25-44

Other Publications

- I. **Açık Tabut**
Demir D.
Other, pp.13, 2024
- II. **Taşrada hayvan olmak, taşrada hayvan bakmak...**
Demir D.
Other, pp.13, 2024
- III. **Vitrinleri kedili kentten steril sokaklara**
Demir D.
Other, pp.11, 2024
- IV. **Haydi Sahipsiz Köpekler Barınağa!**
Demir D.
Other, pp.17, 2024
- V. **Aya Sofya'dan Kariye'ye Ağıt**
Demir D.
Other, pp.17, 2024
- VI. **Türk'ten Postmodern olur mu? Hasan Hayyam ve Hiyerofant**
Demir D.
Other, pp.17, 2024

Memberships / Tasks in Scientific Organizations

ISCH – International Society for Cultural History, Member, 2015 - Continues, France

IHCE – Institut d’Histoire Culturelle Européenne Bronislaw Geremek, Member, 2013 - Continues, France

Amis de l’Histoire Culturelle Européenne, Member, 2009 - Continues, France

İDEA, Member, 2005 - Continues, Turkey

Scientific Research / Working Group Memberships

La Preuve Imaginaire : Asseoir L’Authenticité Dans Les Sciences Sociales, Istanbul Kultur University, Turkey,
<https://www.inalco.fr/actualites/colloque-international-la-preuve-imaginaire-asseoir-lauthentique-dans-les-sciences>,
2022 - Continues

Metrics

Publication: 16

Congress and Symposium Activities

2023 Summer Workshops co-organized by the Association of Friends of European Cultural History (AHCE) and Centre de Recherche sur les Cultures et les Littératures Européennes (CERCLE), Invited Speaker, Nancy, France, 2023
Imaginary Evidence: Establishing authenticity in the social sciences Conference, Inalco, Panelists, Bucuresti, Romania, 2022

Conference Carnaval et culture du masque. Ateliers d’été CERCLE (Université de Lorraine)-Association des Amis de la Culture Européenne, Invited Speaker, Nancy, France, 2022

Autobiography: Banqueting, GM Food, Vampirism, organised by XVIII incontro internazionale dell’Osservatorio scientifico della memoria autobiografica scritta, orale, iconografica - Associazione culturale Mediapolis Europa in collaborazione with Biblioteca di storia moderna e contemporanea, Panelists, Rome, Italy, 2019

Southwest Popular/ American Culture Association (SWPACA) 39th Annual Conference, Captivity Narratives Panel, Panelists, New Mexico, United States Of America, 2018

Invited Talks

“(Dis)Order and (In)Justice: Introduction to Global Studies.”, Seminar, New School; NY, United States Of America, September 2013

International Week “Borders and Boundaries” , Seminar, James Madison University, Turkey, September 2013