

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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10/2020-01/2024: **University of Milan**, Ph.D. in Political Philosophy, Department of Social and Political Sciences (supervisors: Ian Carter and Nicola Riva).

10/2016-03/2018: **Heidelberg University**, M.A. in American Studies, Faculty of Philosophy (with distinction).

09/2015-06/2016: **Central European University**, M.A. in Political Science, Department of Political Science (with distinction).

09/2011-06/2015: **Baku State University**, B.A. in American Studies, Department of History.

## Academic Publications

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Jafarov, Anar, and Ilkin Huseynli. "[Republican Freedom, Domination, and Ignorability](#)." *Journal of Political Power* 15, no. 2 (2022): 221-234.

Huseynli, Ilkin. "[Thoreau and the Idea of John Brown: The Radicalization of Transcendental Politics](#)." *The Pluralist* 16, no. 3 (2021): 112-25.

Huseynli, Ilkin. "[Academic Freedom and University: The Case of Azerbaijan](#)." In *La Liberté Académique : Enjeux et Menaces*, edited by Vanessa Frangville, Aude Merlin, Jihane Sfeir, and Pierre-Étienne Vandamme, 133-43. Brussels: Editions de l'Université de Bruxelles, 2021.

Goyushov, Altay, and Ilkin Huseynli. "[Halted Democracy: Government Hijacking of the New Opposition in Azerbaijan](#)." In *Politik und Gesellschaft im Kaukasus: Eine unruhige Region zwischen Tradition und Transformation*, edited by Olaf Leiße, 27-51. Wiesbaden: Springer Fachmedien, 2019.

## Other Publications in English

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"[Does Anyone Respect the Administrative Division of Azerbaijan?](#)" *Baku Research Institute*, 3 June, 2022.

"[How Should We Understand the Claim That the 'Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict Has Ended'?](#)" *Baku Research Institute*, 6 April, 2022.

"[University Studies and Market Orientation](#)," with Farid Mehralizade. *Baku Research Institute*, 28 Feb, 2022.

"[About the Claim The People Are Not Ready](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 22 December, 2021

"[On A Weighted Electoral System](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 1 November 2021.

"[A Complaint About Potential Ziyali](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 10 June, 2021.

"[Domestic Violence and Political Struggle](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 25 February, 2021.

"[Morality and the Azerbaijani Attitude Toward Armenians](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 25 November, 2020.

"[A Response to Murad Ismayilov](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 9 February, 2019.

"[Akademik Azadlıq və Universitet](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 4 January, 2019.

"[Importance of Utopias](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 30 August, 2018.

"[Democracy or Epistocracy? A Choice Between Two Values](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 23 June, 2018.

"[Importance of Voter Competence in Democracy](#)." *Baku Research Institute*, 27 May, 2018.

## Other Publications in Azerbaijani

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- “[Azadlıq haqqında](#)” [On Freedom]. *Rasional*, 09 February, 2021.
- “[Mədəniyyət Nazirliyi niyə ləğv edilməlidir?](#)” [Why Should the Ministry of Culture Be Abolished?]. *Rasional*, 04 September, 2020.
- “[Liberal kimə deyilir?](#)” [Who Is a Liberal?]. *Rasional*, 02 September, 2020.
- “[Dövlət və heyvan haqları](#)” [State and Animal Rights]. *Rasional*, 28 August, 2020.
- “[Müharibə istəməyənlər nə istəyir?](#)” [Anti-War People: What Do They Want?]. *Rasional*, 25 July, 2020.
- “[Siyasi bilik üçün ədəbiyyat](#)” [Literature for Political Knowledge]. *Rasional*, 19 July, 2020.
- “[Bizi ekspertlər idarə etməlidir?](#)” [Should We Be Ruled by Experts?]. *Rasional*, 09 July, 2020.
- “[Niyə təhqir ifadə azadlığıdır](#)” [Why Do We Have the Freedom to Insult?]. *Rasional*, 09 July, 2020.
- “[İcbari lisenziyalar ləğv edilməlidir](#)” [Compulsory Licenses Should Be Abolished]. *Rasional*, 08 July, 2020.
- “[Covid-19 kontekstində Azərbaycan cəmiyyətində vətəndaş-dövlət münasibətlərinə bir nəzər](#)” [A Look at Citizen-State Relations in Azerbaijani Society In the Context of Covid-19]. *Baku Research Institute*, 25 March, 2020.
- “[Səs vermək niyə vacibdir?](#)” [Why Is It Important to Vote?]. with Shahin Jafarli. *Baku Research Institute*, 23 December, 2019.
- “[Neqativ və Pozitiv Azadlıq Anlayışları](#)” [Negative and Positive Conceptions of Freedom]. *Baku Research Institute*, 3 December, 2019.

## Blogs in Azerbaijani

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- “[Üç əxlaq: Sayın Erdoğan](#)” [Three Moralities: Mister Erdogan]. 30 May, 2023.
- “[Pul və şöhrət: resursların sui-istifadəsi](#)” [Money and Fame: The Abuse of Resources]. 24 Nov., 2021.
- “[Başa düşmədiyim şeylər barədə](#)” [On Things I Don't Understand]. 27 March, 2022.
- “[Müharibəni niyə istəmədim?](#)” [Why Did I Oppose the Karabakh War?]. 08 January, 2022.
- “[Müzakirə mühiti barədə](#)” [On the Environment of Discussion]. 29 November, 2021.
- “[Mən niyə müsəlman deyiləm](#)” [Why Am I Not a Muslim]. 29 November, 2021.

## Translations from English into Azerbaijani

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- Brennan, Ceyson. *Siyasi Fəlsəfə: Giriş* [Brennan, Jason. *Political Philosophy: An Introduction*]. Ongoing.
- Şraqer, Allison. “[Sosializm niyə işləməyəcək?](#)” [Schrager, Allison. “Why Socialism Won't Work”]. *Rasional*, 2023.
- Karter, Yan. “[Bərabər azadlığı əsaslandırmaq: Yan Karterlə müsahibə](#)” [Carter, Ian. “Grounding Equal Freedom: An Interview with Ian Carter”]. *Baku Research Institute*, 2022.
- Denis, Robert. “[Tağıyev-Behbudov məsələsi: XX əsrin əvvəllərində Qafqazın müsəlman elitləri arasındakı qarşıdurma](#)” [Robert, Denis. “The Taghiyev-Behbudov Affair: Conflict Among Caucasian Muslim Elites in the Early XX Century”]. *Baku Research Institute*, 2020.
- Blek, Bob. “[Primitiv və Modern Ədalət: Anarxist və Dövlətli Cəmiyyətlərdə Mübahisələrin Həlli](#)” [Black, Bob. “Justice, Primitive and Modern: Dispute Resolution in Anarchist and State Societies”]. *Baku Research Institute*, 2019.
- Hodaie, Əlirza. “[Qlobal tarix dövründə milli hekayətlərə yeni baxış: Məhəmməd Əmin Rəsulzadə və İran əlaqəsi](#)” [Hodaie, Alireza. “Rethinking National Narratives in the Age of Global History; Mahammad Amin Rasulzadeh and the Iranian Connection”]. *Baku Research Institute*, 2019.
- Toro, Henri Deyvid. “[Vətəndaş İtaətsizliyi](#)” [Thoreau, Henry David. “Resistance to Civil Government”] in Seçilmiş Əsərlər, 37-69. Bakı: Başla Kitab, 2018.
- Zinn, Hovard. *Amerika Birləşmiş Ştatları Xalqlar Tarixi* [Zinn, Howards, *A Young People's History of the United States of America*]. Bakı: Başla Kitab, 2013.

## Fellowships / Awards

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- 01/2023-03/2023: Visiting Researcher, Cambridge Forum for Legal and Political Philosophy, **University of Cambridge**.
- 10/2022-12/2022: Visiting Ph.D. Student, **Birkbeck, University of London**.
- 02-06/08/2021: How to Do Political Philosophy: Methods and Methodology, **ECPR Virtual Summer School in association with KU Leuven**.
- 10/2020-12/2023: Ph.D. Scholarship (covering stipend and international fees), **University of Milan**.
- 09/2019-12/2019: A grant for organizing and teaching critical thinking in Baku, **Freedom House**.
- 10/2016-03/2018: The Curt Engelhorn Scholarship for an Outstanding Student, **Heidelberg University**.
- 08/2015-06/2016: Civil Society Leadership Awards, **Central European University**.

## Participation in Conferences / Workshops

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- 09/2022: “Apportioning Causal Responsibility between Self, Others and Nature” with Ian Carter and Hillel Steiner at the MANCEPT [Debates Within Negative Freedom](#), University of Manchester, the UK.
- 09/2022: “Apportioning Causal Responsibility between Self, Others and Nature” with Ian Carter and Hillel Steiner at the [15th Conference of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy](#) (SIFA), Who is Afraid of Philosophy? New Challenges for Contemporary Society, University of Eastern Piedmont, Italy.
- 09/2022: “Answerability for Actions?” at the [21<sup>th</sup> Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy](#), University of Pavia, Italy.
- 06/2023: “Moral Answerability for Unintentional Actions?” at the 4<sup>th</sup> POLEMO Symposium, Department of Political Science, Central European University, Vienna, Austria.
- 02/2023: “Freedom, Prevention, and Moral Answerability” at the [Political Philosophy Workshop](#), Cambridge Centre for Political Thought, University of Cambridge, the UK.
- 02/2023: Discussant of three presentations at the *Reframing the Past of the Armenian-Azerbaijani Conflict* organized by the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and Conciliation Resources, Brussels, Belgium.
- 09/2022: “Freedom Without Ability” at the [Philosophy and the Public](#) international congress organized by the Society for Analytic Philosophy (GAP), Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany.
- 09/2022: “What is the Point of Freedom?” at the [20<sup>th</sup> Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy](#), University of Pavia, Italy.
- 09/2022: “Freedom Without Ability” at the [Salzburg Conference for Young Analytic Philosophy 2022](#), University of Salzburg, Germany.
- 06/2022: “What is Special About Freedom?” at the Pavia Workshop on Freedom, University of Pavia, Italy.
- 04/2022: Discussant of Ian Carter’s paper, “[Basic Equality and Contexts of Opacity Respect](#),” at the Brown Bag Seminars of Political Philosophy, University of Milan, Italy.
- 02/2022: “Freedom Without Ability” at the [III Geneva Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy](#), University of Geneva, Switzerland.

## Organization of Conferences / Workshops

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- 09/2023: MANCEPT [Debates Within Negative Freedom](#), co-convenor with Michael Garnett, University of Manchester, the UK.
- 2021/2022: Brown Bag Seminars in Political Philosophy, co-organizer, University of Milan, Italy, with particular responsibility for papers by [Ian Carter](#) and [Jonathan Floyd](#).
- 06/2022: [Pavia Workshop on Freedom](#), co-organized with Matteo Boccacci and Ian Carter, University of Pavia, Italy.

## Work Experience

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05/2018-present: **Baku Research Institute**, Board Member and Editor

01/2020-02/2020: **OSCE ODIHR**, Senior Media Analyst Assistant

09/2019-12/2019: **Freedom House and Baku Research Institute**, teaching critical thinking

07/2019-08/2019: **Institute for Democratic Initiatives**, teaching academic writing

02/2019-03/2019: **Benefisiar LTD**, teaching academic writing

03/2013-03/2019: **Başla Publishing House**, director and translator

03/2019-04/2019: **OSCE ODIHR**, Senior Media Analyst Assistant

11/2017-06/2018: **Western Caspian University**, School of Political Science, Assistant Dean

- Teaching *Political Sociology*, *Political Behavior*, *Elitism*, and *Professional Ethics* to undergraduate and graduate students.

## Other Activities

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07/2023: A discussion on [anti-natalism](#).

05/2023: A discussion on [freedom and desires](#).

04/2023: A discussion on [activism](#).

06/2023: İfadə Azadlığı və Onun əhəmiyyəti: Təhqir Azadlığı [Free Speech and Its Importance; The Freedom to Insult], organized by the Students for Liberty in Baku, Azerbaijan.

07/2019-present: [Rasional.org](#), a liberal where I blog and edit submissions.

06/2019-present: [Günün Parafrazı](#), a YouTube program about social issues and human rights.

06/2020-present: [Şəbəkə Mürgüləmir](#), a YouTube program about political and ideological issues.

16/09/2020: [Dövlət mədəniyyətə müdaxilə etməlidirmi?](#) [Should the State Intervene in the Arts?], a talk.

04/2020: [Lectures on Freedom](#), my online lectures, organized by *Baku Research Institute*.

19/09/2019: [Akademik azadlıq və universitet](#) [Academic Freedom and University], a talk.