

## ULUĞ KUZUOĞLU, PhD

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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Assistant Professor of Modern Chinese History, History Department, Washington University in St. Louis (Since 2020)

MA Program Coordinator and Lecturer in Discipline, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University (2018-2020)

### EDUCATION

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PhD, History Department, Columbia University, 2018 (*with distinction*)

MPhil, History Department, Columbia University, 2014 (*with distinction*)

MA, History Department, Columbia University, 2013

MA, History Department, Bogazici University, 2010

BA, Department of Sociology, Bogazici University, 2007 (*with honors*)

### PUBLICATIONS

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#### Books

*Codes of Modernity: Chinese Scripts in the Global Information Age* (Forthcoming from Columbia University Press)

*Cybernetic Craftsmen: Technopolitics of the Chinese Input Fever* (in progress)

#### Peer-Reviewed Articles

“Basic Chinese: Cognitive Management, Communication Engineering, and Mass Literacy in China,” *Modern Chinese Language and Culture* 34/1 (2022), 1-31.

“The Chinese Latin Alphabet: A Revolutionary Script in the Global Information Age,” *Journal of Asian Studies*, vol. 81, no. 1 (2022), 23–42.

“Capital, Empire, Letter: Romanization in Late Qing China,” *Twentieth-Century China*, vol. 46, no. 3 (2021), 223–246.

“Telegraphy, Typography, and the Alphabet: The Origins of the Alphabet Revolutions in the Russo-Ottoman Space,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, vol. 52, issue 3 (2020), 413–431.

“Codebooks for the Mind: Dictionary Index Reforms in Republican China, 1912-1937,” *Information & Culture*, vol. 53, no. 3/4 (2018): 337–366.

“Chinese Cryptography: The Chinese Nationalist Party and Intelligence Management, 1927-1949,” *Cryptologia*, vol. 42, no. 6 (2018): 514–539.

## Chapters in Edited Volumes

“Indexing Systems,” in *Literary Information in China: A History*, edited by Jack Chen, Anatoly Detwyler, Xiao Liu, Christopher Nugent, and Bruce Rusk (Columbia UP, 2021)

“Ottomans’ Xinjiang: Chinese Turkestan — Mutual Perceptions and Impact.” In *Türkiye’de Çin’i Düşünmek (Pondering China in Turkey)*. Edited by Selçuk Esenbel, İsenbike Togan and Altay Atlı. İstanbul: Boğaziçi Üniversitesi Yayınları, 2013. (Turkish)

## Book Reviews

“The Stone and the Wireless: Mediating China, 1861-1906, by Shaoling Ma,” *Journal of Cultural Politics* (forthcoming)

“Banished to the Great Northern Wilderness: Political Exile and Re-education in Mao’s China, by Ning Wang,” *Pacific Affairs*, vol. 91, no. 4 (Dec. 2018), 797-799.

## Popular Essays and Online Contributions

“Alphabet and Modernity in China,” *Toplumsal Tarih* (Nov. 2020, in Turkish)

“The Eurasian Origins of Pinyin,” *International Institute for Asian Studies Newsletter, Leiden University*, Oct. 2019.

“Hunt for Words III: *Ren’ai* and *Xinyi* Streets,” *Çin Hakkında Her Şey*, Mar. 2016. (Turkish)

“Hunt for Words II: A History of ‘Brainwashing’ in China,” *Çin Hakkında Her Şey*, Mar. 2016 (Turkish).

“Hunt for Words I: *Dihua*,” *Çin Hakkında Her Şey*, Feb. 2016 (Turkish).

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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SPEED Grant for Developing “Asia in St. Louis: An Interactive Mobile App,” Summer 2022

Center for the Humanities Grant for “Augmented Reality Reading Group,” 2022/23

WUSTL Center for the Humanities Faculty Research Grant, Summers 2021/22

Rare Book School Discretionary Award, Summer 2021

WUSTL Redefining Doctoral Education (RDE) Grant for AR/VR Development, 2021

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2017-18

Harriman Russian Studies Research Grant, 2017

Weatherhead East Asia Institute Doctoral Training Grant, 2017

Mellon Interdisciplinary Fellowship at INCITE (Declined), 2016-17

Heyman Center Fellowship for Faculty and Post-MPhil Graduate Students, 2016-17

The Center for Chinese Studies Research Grant, Taiwan, 2016

Social Science Research Council - International Dissertation Research Fellowship, 2015

Chinese Government Scholarship for Visiting Scholars (Peking University), 2014-15  
Columbia University GSAS Travel Grant (Declined), 2014-15  
Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Predissertation Travel Grant, 2014  
Weatherhead East Asia Institute Fellowship, 2013  
Weatherhead East Asia Institute Doctoral Training Grant, 2012  
Kathryn Davis Fellowship for Middlebury Japanese Language Education, 2012  
Columbia University Richard Hofstadter Fellowship for doctoral studies, 2011-16  
Confucius Institute Scholarship for Advanced Scholars, Shanghai University, 2009-10  
Asia Education Forum Chinese Language Scholarship, Hunan Normal University, 2008-9  
TUBITAK Scholarship for MA Studies in History at Bogazici University, 2007-10

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Invited Talks**

“Codes of Modernity.” History Department, George Washington University, 2020.

### **Workshops/Conferences/Panels Organized**

“Global Qing and Its Legacies,” Leung Tung Peter & Lin Young Lecture Series, co-organized with Zhao Ma, Letty Chen, and Marvin Marcus, Washington University in St. Louis (2021–2023)

“Global May Fourth.” Conference, co-organized with Lydia Liu and Anatoly Detwyler, Columbia University, 2019.

“Languages and Scripts in China: New Directions in Information and Communications History.” Workshop, Columbia University, 2019.

“Writing, Technology, and Information Politics in East Asia.” Panel in Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., 2018.

“Infrastructure and Event in Global History.” Panel in AHA Conference (co-organized with Selim Karlitekin), Washington, D.C., 2018.

Graduate Students and Young Scholars Meeting, Columbia Global Center, Beijing (monthly meetings co-organized with Hyun Seung Cho), 2015.

“Borderlands and Indigeneity in Conversation.” Co-organized with the History Department Graduate Students at Columbia University, 2013.

22nd Annual Columbia University East Asian Languages and Cultures (CU-EALAC), Graduate Student Conference, 2013.

### **Presentations**

- Discussant for Lu Yi at “Chinese History in the Age of Big Data,” WEAI, Columbia University, 2022.
- “Translating Science: Conventions, Discourse, and Shaping a Distinctive Chinese Modernity, 1890-1940,” Panel Discussant at the Midwest Conference of Asian Affairs, 2021.
- “Mapping Ottoman Print Culture and 3D Canton,” Talk delivered at the first Digital Transformation Initiative lecture series, Wash U, 2021.
- “Codes of Modernity.” Paper presented in SSRC InterAsia Academy: Integration and Disintegration in InterAsian Perspective. Singapore, 2021 (Zoom Conference)
- “Psychogrammatology: Compressing Chinese Characters.” *Society for Cinema and Media Studies Annual Conference*. Denver, 2020. (canceled)
- “Economies on the Edges of Empire: China and Inner Asia from the Eighteenth to the Twentieth Centuries.” Served as panel discussant at *The American Historical Association’s Annual Conference*, New York, 2020.
- “Forgotten Traces: The Arabic Script in the Chinese Alphabet.” *Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, 2019.
- “The Wireless Nation: Race, Code, and Infrastructure in the Chinese Frontiers.” *International History Workshop*, Columbia University, 2019.
- “The Techno-Politics of Tibetan and Mongolian Morse Codes in the 1930s.” *International Association of Tibetan Studies*, Paris, 2019.
- “Compressing Chinese: A Study in Infrastructural Linguistics.” *Compression Workshop*, Max Planck Institute, Berlin/Germany, 2019.
- “Alphabet and Revolution: Rethinking May Fourth Radicalism.” *Global May Fourth*, Columbia University, 2019.
- “Cognitive Management.” *Languages and Scripts in China: New Directions in Information and Communications History*, Columbia University, 2019.
- “The Typographic Mind in the Russo-Ottoman World: A Pre-History of the Chinese Latin Alphabet.” *Science and Society in Global Asia*, Columbia University, 2019.
- “Chinese Indexing Systems.” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference*, Denver, Colorado, 2019.
- “Wires, Scripts, and Brains in Late-Qing China.” *Modern Language Association Annual Conference*, Chicago, Illinois, 2019.
- “Architects of the Page: Simplification of Chinese Characters.” *How International, Transnational, and Global History Conquered the World: Conference In Honor of Adam McKeown*, Columbia University Heyman Center, 2018.
- “Information and Mental Labor in China.” *Modern Chinese History, University Seminar*, Columbia University, 2018.
- “Linguistic Infrastructures and Information Politics: The Case of the Chinese Latin Alphabet, 1928-1936,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., 2018.

- “Indices and Dictionaries in Modern China.” *The Literary History of Information Management in China*, Columbia University, 2018.
- “The Alphabet Event in Global History.” *American Historical Association Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., 2018.
- “China in a Network of Nations? Writing, Language, and Information in Eurasia, 1860-1930.” *Eighth Annual Symposium for the Consortium for Asian and African Studies (CAAS)*, International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden, Netherlands, 2017.
- “Information Politics and the Chinese Latin Alphabet, 1928-1936.” *Third Annual Critical Humanities Workshop*, Duke University, 2017.
- “Late Qing Singularity: Telegraphic Wires, Phonetic Scripts, and Cerebral Consciousness in China.” *Qing History Symposium*, UCLA, 2017.
- “Revolutionary Informatics.” *Heyman Center Fellows Workshop*, Columbia University, 2016.
- “Intelligence Tests, Linguistic Engineering, and Mass Literacy in China, 1920s.” *Beyond Circulation (Workshop)*, Columbia University, 2016.
- “Socialist Infotopia: First Turcology Congress and Latinization across Eurasia.” *ICLS Graduate Conference*, Columbia University, 2016.
- “Cognitive Management and the Birth of Psychogrammatology in China.” *World Scripts: Concepts and Practices of Writing from a Comparative Perspective*, Cape Town, South Africa, 2015.
- “Politics and Possibilities: Alternative Political Visions in Republican China.” Served as panel discussant at the 23<sup>rd</sup> CU-EALAC Graduate Student Conference, Columbia University, 2014.
- “Portable Identities: Self and Nationhood Across Frontiers.” Served as panel discussant at the 22<sup>nd</sup> CU-EALAC Graduate Student Conference, Columbia University, 2013.
- “The Ottomans, China, and Xinjiang: Relations and Mutual Perceptions from the 1870s to 1918.” *Asian and Central Eurasian Studies Center, 18th Annual Conference*, Indiana University, 2011.
- “Tatars in Xinjiang – The Path to Globalization at the Turn of the Century.” *Bridge Conference*, Bristol University, UK, 2010.
- “Ottomans’ Xinjiang: Chinese Turkestan — Mutual Perceptions and Activities.” Bogazici University Asian Studies Center, Turkey, 2010.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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- “Science and Technology in East Asia” (Graduate Seminar)
- “Methodology and Historiography for MA Candidates in East Asian Studies” (Graduate Seminar)
- “Introduction to Chinese Civilization” (Undergraduate Lecture)

“History of Early Modern China (Yuan-Ming-Qing)” (Undergraduate Lecture)

“A History of Modern China (1800–2000)” (Undergraduate Lecture)

“A History of Information” (Undergraduate Seminar)

“Cyborgs in History: From Cybernetics to Artificial Intelligence” (Undergraduate Seminar)

“Technology, Empire, and Science in China” (Undergraduate Seminar)

“Asia in St. Louis” (Undergraduate Methodology and Research Seminar)

“Mao and the World” (Undergraduate Seminar)

## **DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

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Member of the Strategic Planning Committee, 2021/22

Member of the Advisory Council, 2021/22

Member of the Graduate Studies Committee, 2021/22

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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Reviewer for *International Journal of Digital Humanities* (since 2021)

Reviewer for *International Labor and Working Class History* (since 2020)

Reviewer for *International Journal of Middle East Studies* (since 2020)

Reviewer for *Twentieth-Century China* (since 2020)

## **PEDAGOGICAL ACTIVITIES**

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“How to Write a Dissertation,” Workshop Organized by WashU Graduate Students, Washington University in St. Louis (September 2020)

“Student Well-Being Workshop,” Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University (October 2018, March and December 2019)

“PhD Applications Workshop,” Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University (December 2018, April and November 2019)

“Professional Development Workshop,” Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University (November 2018, March and November 2019)

“Academic Writing Workshop,” Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University (September 2018 and September 2019)

“Workshop on Conference Presentation,” Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures,  
Columbia University (January 2019)

“How to Choose a Thesis Topic,” Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University  
(September 2019)

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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**Turkish** (Native Speaker), **English** (Near Native), **Modern Chinese** (Fluent), **Classical Chinese** (Advanced Reading), **Ottoman Turkish** (Advanced Reading), **Russian** (Advanced Reading), **Modern Japanese** (Intermediate Reading)

## **CODING SKILLS**

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C# for Unity 3D Programming (Intermediate), Python (Beginner)