EMINE BUSRA OZTURK

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Profile

Special education teacher with a Master's in Early Childhood Special Education. Now, I am pursuiding my PhD in Early Childhood Intervention in University of Texas at Austin and I have a TA position at Priscilla Pond Flown Family and Child Lab. I have been working for the Turkish Ministry of National Education (MoNE) for 10 years. A scholarship recipient supported by the Turkish Ministry of National Education (MoNE), focused on advancing research in special education and family-centered early interventions.

Education

PhD in Early Childhood Intervention (2016- pursuiding)

University of Texas at Austin, TX (expected completion: 2030)

Advisor: Dr. Lauren Hampton

Master of Science in Special Education in Early Childhood (2019)

Anadolu University, Eskisehir, Turkey | GPA: 3.58 / 4.00
Advisor: Professor Ozlem Diken
Thesis: "Interactional behaviors of mothers and level of autism, social skills, and problem behaviors of young children with autism spectrum disorders"

Bachelor of Arts in Special Education (Teacher Education for Persons with Intellectual Disability) (2015)
Sakarya University, Sakarya, Turkey | GPA: 3.71 / 4.00

Skills & Competencies

- Use of ICF in Early Life
- Autism Screening Instrument for Educational Planning-Third Edition (ASIEP-3 / Turkish version: İVÖ-ODS)
- Responsive Teaching Program (RT / Turkish version: ETEÇOM)
- Early and Intensive Behavioral Intervention (EIBI) based on ABA (Turkish version: OÇİDEP)
- Maternal Behavior Rating Scale (MBRS) & Child Behavior Rating Scale (CBRS)

Scholarships, Grants & Awards

- **Academic Enrichment Award** (2026)
- **YLSY Graduate Scholarship**, Turkish Ministry of National Education (2023 – Present)
  Fully funded national scholarship for postgraduate education abroad, covering tuition, living expenses, and research support.
- **Certificate of Achievement**, Ministry of National Education (Minister Mahmut Özer) (Jan 2022 & Jun 2022)
- **Certificate of Appreciation**, General Directorate of Special Education and Guidance Services, MoNE (2021)
- **Awarded Material Design**, 3rd Educational Materials Competition, MoNE (2018)

Work Experience & Practicum

Academic & Laboratory Experience

- **Teaching Assistant** | Priscilla Pond Flawn Family and Child Lab (2026-)
  The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

Instructional & Clinical Practitioner Experience

- **Early Intervention Specialist** (2013 – 2025)
  Provided evidence-based early intervention and family-centered caregiver coaching for children with developmental delays and autism spectrum disorders across research centers and home settings. Delivered Early and Intensive Behavioral Intervention (EIBI/OÇİDEP) for children aged 3–6.
- **Special Education Teacher** | Turkish Ministry of National Education (MoNE) (2015 – Present)
  - *29 Ekim Ortaokulu* (Sept 2023 – 2025, Ankara, Turkey): Special education classrooms in partial inclusion middle school model.
  - *Ramazan Hatice Savaş Özel Eğitim Uygulama Okulu* (Jan 2017 – Aug 2023, Antalya, Turkey): Specialized instruction for students with ASD and intellectual disabilities.
  - *Baraj Ortaokulu* (Sept 2015 – Jan 2017, Antalya, Turkey): Self-contained classrooms and inclusion support.
- **Special Education Teacher** | Beyaz İnci Special Education and Rehabilitation Center (Jun – Sept 2015, Istanbul, Turkey)
- **Practicum & Student Teaching Internships** (2012 – 2015): Sakarya Special Education Application School, Sakarya University Special Education Unit, Doğal Speech & Language Center, Ekin Başak & Yağmur Çocuklar Rehabilitation Centers.

Curriculum Development & Workshops

- **2025, Contributor:** Teacher's Guide on Technology-Enhanced Learning Scenarios with Innovative Approaches for Primary School Students: Enrichment and Differentiation, MoNE, Turkey.
- **2025, Contributor:** Workshop on the Revision of Early Childhood and Preschool Special Education Curricula within the Framework of the Turkey Century Initiative, MoNE, Turkey.
- **2025, Contributor:** Workshop on Green and Digital Skills in Educational Curricula: Enrichment and

Differentiation, MoNE & UNICEF, Ankara, Turkey.

- **2024, Contributor:** Workshop on Developing an Activity Set for Students with Learning Disabilities, MoNE & UNICEF, Turkey.
- **2022, Contributor:** Workshop on the Revision of Supplementary Materials for Students with Special Needs, MoNE, Antalya, Turkey.
- **2022, Contributor:** Workshop on the Digital Special Education Project, MoNE & UNICEF, Ankara, Turkey.
- **2021, Researcher:** First 500 Words Story Set for Students with Hearing and Visual Impairments, MoNE, Turkey.
- **2020–2021, Co-author:** Adapted Preschool Activity Set for Exceptional Children (Adaptive Skills Domain), MoNE, Turkey.
- **2020, Content Developer:** "I'm Special, I'm in Education" Mobile Application, MoNE, Turkey.
- **2020, Contributor:** Family Support Booklets for Children with Special Needs, MoNE, Turkey.

Conference Presentations & Publications

- **Özbey, E. B.** (2020). The role and importance of parents in interaction with children with special needs in early childhood. *Kuram Journal*, 1(5), 12–15.
- **Ozturk, E. B.**, & Ergul, C. (2025, April). *A systematic review of interactive book reading interventions for young children with autism spectrum disorder* [Oral presentation]. 8th National Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Intervention Congress (UDEMKO 2025), Eskişehir, Turkey.
- **Diken, O.**, Ozbey, E. B., & Diken, İ. H. (2022, September). *Interactional behaviors of Turkish mothers and level of autism, social skills, and problem behaviors of young children with autism spectrum disorders* [Oral presentation]. International Society on Early Intervention Conference (ISEI 2022), Michigan, United States.
- **Ozbey, E. B.**, & Ozbey, N. H. (2019, November). *A training program for high school child development interns in special education schools* [Oral presentation]. 29th National Special Education Congress, Aydın, Turkey.

Projects & International Experience

- **2023: Participant** – ERASMUS+ Youth Exchange Project "EXIT 2.0", Toledo, Spain.
- **2019: Supervisor** – TÜBİTAK 4006 Science Fair for Children with Special Needs, Antalya, Turkey.
- **2014: Project Assistant** – TÜBİTAK 4004 Education on Love, Tolerance, and Democracy for Gifted Children, Kütahya, Turkey.

References

Name	Title / Affiliation	
Dr. Lauren Hampton	Associate Professor, Department of Special Education The University of Texas at Austin	

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Dr. Ibrahim Halil Diken	Professor, Anadolu University, Turkey	
Dr. Cevriye Ergul	Professor, Ankara University, Turkey	
Dr. Ozlem Diken	Professor, Anadolu University, Turkey	

Languages & Hobbies

Languages: Turkish and English