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### **University address**

Marmara University  
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### ***Education and qualifications***

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2012-2017 Middle East Technical University Education Faculty, English Language

Teaching department/ Ph.D.

2009-2012 Middle East Technical University Education Faculty, English Language

Teaching department/ M.A. degree

2005- 2009 Marmara University Atatürk Education Faculty, English Language Teaching

department/ B.A. degree

### ***Teaching experience***

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2020- .. Bahçeşehir University, Faculty of Educational Sciences, Lecturer

2018- .. Marmara University, Faculty of Science and Arts, Lecturer

2017-.. Marmara University, Atatürk Education Faculty, Lecturer

2009- ... Marmara University, School of Foreign Languages, Instructor

2010- ... Teaching English to research assistants in ÖYP program

2012- ... Teaching English to academicians and public in MÜSEM courses

2015-... Teaching research assistants for standardized tests like IELTS

2016 May (one week) visiting academician that lectured for a week in the University of Pardubice in Czech Republic with ERASMUS program.

2017 May (one week) visiting academician that lectured for a week in the University of Zadar in Croatia with ERASMUS program.

2008- 2009 İstanbul Private Çevre Schools, Part-time teacher for a practicum

### *Courses Offered*

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Teachers' Presentation Skills  
Classroom management  
Cultural aspects of language teaching  
Teacher education  
Academic speaking  
Academic reading  
Academic writing  
Critical Reading and Writing

### *Conference presentations*

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Tomak, B. (2020). *Preparing students to study in English at a Turkish university*. Closing the Gap. Uskudar American Academy. Istanbul, Turkey

Tomak, B. & Kurt, G. (2019). *Misbehaviour in Turkish High Schools: Experiences of In-service teachers of English*. International MELT Conference. Istanbul, Turkey.

Tomak, B. & Akkuş, M. (2019). *Constructing a Plurilingual Professional Identity of Prospective Language Teachers in a Turkish State University*. International MELT Conference. Istanbul, Turkey

Tomak, B. & Kocabaş, P. (2015). *Turkish EFL Instructors' Current Perspectives on "ELF": A Comparative Study in Turkey* International Conference on Applied Linguistics: Current Issues in Applied Linguistics. Çanakkale, Turkey

Tomak, B. & Karaman, A. C. (2013). *Mentoring in a Professional Development Program for Novice Teachers: At a State University in Turkey: A Qualitative Inquiry V*. International Congress of Education Research. Çanakkale, Turkey

Tomak, B. (2012). *The importance of video use in language classes and its educational implications*. Foreign Language Education and its Applications in Prep Classes. Istanbul, Turkey

Tomak, B. & Kocabaş, P. (2012). *The perspectives of Turkish prospective teachers on "ELF" and their awareness of it in their ELT programs*. ELF5 Bogaziçi University. Istanbul, Turkey

Tomak, B. & Fűrüzan, G. (2012). *The perspectives of EFL learners on the video use in language classrooms*. 5th Annual International Conference on Literature, Languages & Linguistics, ATINER. Athens, Greece

Tomak, B. & Karaman, A. C. (2012). *Yabancı Dil Eğitim Programları'nda Kültürel Farkındalık: Öğretim Görevlileri Odaklı Bir Durum Çalışması* 21. Ulusal Eğitim Bilimleri Kongresi. İstanbul, Türkiye

Tomak, B. (2011). *The Perspectives of Both Turkish Students and Turkish Teachers on English Learning/Teaching as an International Language*. ICONTE. Antalya, Türkiye

Tomak, B. (2010). *Differences in Writing Assessment among Turkish and Native English teachers*. INGED ELT Conference. Isparta, Türkiye

Tomak, B. & Atay, D. (2010). *The attitudes of Turkish EFL students on intercultural competence in language classes*. ICONTE. Antalya, Türkiye

### ***Publications***

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Tomak, B. (2021). Evaluation of the “speaking” component of a curriculum applied in a school of foreign languages: An action research in a state university in Turkey. *International Journal of Educational Methodology*, 7(1), 33-51.  
<https://doi.org/10.12973/ijem.7.1.33>

Tomak, B. (2021). Designing an instructional unit on “argumentative essay” for prep year students: An action research in a state university in Turkey. *African Educational Research Journal*, 9(1), 1-19. Doi: [10.30918/AERJ.91.20.202](https://doi.org/10.30918/AERJ.91.20.202)

Tomak, B., & Akkuş, M. (2020). The co-construction of plurilingual professional identity of prospective language teachers at a Turkish state university. In D. Uygun-Gökmen, A. Yılmaz-Ercan & I. Ruacan-Silahtaroglu (Eds.), *English language teaching in the 21<sup>st</sup> century: Changing identities, agencies and mindsets* (pp. 64-84). İstanbul: Marmara University Press.

Tomak, B. (2020). *Introduction to Academic Essay Writing: From Theory to Practice*. Ankara: Pegem Akademi.

- Tomak, B., & Ataş, U. (2019). Designing an ESP Writing Course for Pre-intermediate EFL Engineering Students, *Journal of Teaching English for Specific and Academic Purposes*, 7 (3), 267-282.
- Tomak, B., & Karaman, A. C. (2019). Cultures in the Foreign Language Curriculum: Instructors' Views at a State University, *Inonu University Journal of the Faculty of Education*, 20(1), 136-151. DOI: 10.17679/inuefd.420407
- Tomak, B. & Arslan-Çiftçi, H. (2017). Albert Bandura'nın Sosyal-Bilişsel Kuramı. *Öğrenme ve Öğretme: Kuramdan Uygulamaya*. Özgül Polat (Ed.). Nobel Yayıncılık (sf 350-390). Ankara, Turkey.
- Tomak, B. & Ogul, G. (2014). The Perspectives of EFL Learners on the Video Use in Language Classrooms. *Research in EFL and Literature Context: Challenges and Directions*. Athens Institute for Education and Research. (sf 411-424). Athens, Greece.
- Tomak, B. & Karaman, C. (2013). Mentoring in a Professional Development Program for Novice Teachers at a State University in Turkey: A Qualitative Inquiry. *Educational Research Association The International Journal of Research in Teacher Education*. Sayı 2. Cilt 4 sf 1-13.
- Tomak, B. & Kocabaş, P. (2013). The Perspectives of Turkish Prospective Teachers on "ELF" and Their Awareness of it in their ELT Programs. *ELF5 Proceedings of The Fifth International Conference of English as a Lingua Franca*. Y. Bayyurt & S. Akcan (Eds.) Bogaziçi University Press (sf 183-189). Istanbul.
- Tomak, B. (2011). The Perspectives of Both Turkish Students and Turkish Teachers on English Learning/Teaching as an International Language. *Iconte*. Siyasal Kitabevi (sf 277-285). Ankara, Turkey.
- Tomak, B. (2010). *Differences in Writing Assessment among Turkish and Native English teachers*. INGED Proceedings (sf. 150-157).
- Tomak, B. & Atay, D. (2010). The Attitudes of Turkish EFL Students on Intercultural Competence in Language Classes. *Iconte*. Siyasal Kitabevi (sf 602-607). Ankara, Turkey.

#### *Seminars given as an invited speaker*

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- Tomak, B. (2019). Yükseköğretim ve İngilizce. *Tübitak Bilim Söyleşileri*. Borusan Asım Kocabıyık Mesleki ve Teknik Anadolu Lisesi. 29 Kasım 2019.
- Tomak, B. (2019). İngilizcenin Önemi ve Yükseköğretim sürecinde kullanımı. *Tübitak Bilim Söyleşileri*. Bolluca Anadolu Meslek ve Ticaret Lisesi. 04 Aralık 2019

### *Teaching Observations*

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- 2014 Marmara University, School of Foreign Languages:  
peer- observation sessions organized by Teacher Development Unit  
twice per semester.
- 2010 Marmara University, School of Foreign Languages: peer-observation  
sessions organized by Teacher Development Unit twice per semester.

### *Other positions*

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- 2012-present **Member of the Education and Research Development Unit**  
School of Foreign Languages  
Marmara University, İstanbul
- 2014-present **Member of Teacher Development Unit**  
School of Foreign Languages  
Marmara University, İstanbul
- 2012-present **Member of the Student Drama Club**  
School of Foreign Languages  
Marmara University, İstanbul
- 2014-present **Member of the Exam Reassessment Committee**  
School of Foreign Languages  
Marmara University, İstanbul

### *Affiliations*

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- 2010-2011 Member of INGED

### *Personal skills and competences*

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Languages: Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), German (Elementary)

Computer: MS Office Applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher)  
Inspiration  
Wordle  
Webquest

Touch-typing: Advanced