

# FERHAT TASKIN

CURRICULUM VITAE

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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Metaphysics, Epistemology, and Islamic  
Philosophy

## AREAS OF COMPETENCE

Philosophy of Religion, Islamic Theology

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## EMPLOYMENT

2025 – present

Assistant Professor, Boğaziçi University,  
Department of Philosophy

2024 – 2025

Dr. Lecturer, Faculty of Islamic Sciences, Mardin  
Artuklu University

2017 – 2021

Associate Instructor, Indiana University  
Bloomington, Department of Philosophy

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## EDUCATION

2016 – 2023

PhD, Double Major in Philosophy and Middle  
Eastern Languages and Cultures, Indiana  
University Bloomington

2013 – 2015

MA, Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University

2004 – 2008

BA, Faculty of Divinity, Ankara University

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## TEACHING

2021 Spring

Associate Instructor  
Indiana University Bloomington

2020 Fall

PHIL 105: Critical Thinking

2020 Spring

PHIL 150: Logic

2019 Fall

PHIL 100: Introduction to Philosophy

2019 Spring

PHIL 100: Introduction to Philosophy

2018 Fall

PHIL 140: Introduction to Ethics

2018 Spring

PHIL 105: Critical Thinking

2017 Fall

PHIL 150: Logic

PHIL 105: Critical Thinking

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## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

2022 – 2023

Moss Fellowship, Indiana University Department  
of Philosophy

2023 Spring

Indiana University Islamic Studies Travel Award

2023 Spring

American Philosophical Association Travel  
Award

2022 Summer

Rutgers Center for the Philosophy of Religion,

2021 – 2022	2022 Summer Seminar: God and the Spacetime Manifold Nelson Dissertation Fellowship, Indiana University, Department of Philosophy
2019 Summer	First Year Summer Nelson Fellowship, Indiana University, Department of Philosophy
2013 – 2021	Turkish State Scholarship for MA and PhD
2004 – 2008	Turkish Prime Ministry Scholarship for BA

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## PUBLICATIONS

1. Could Avicenna’s god remain within himself?: A Reply to the Nasirian interpretation, *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, June 2024: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11153-024-09918-0> (AHCI)
2. Rawls’ ‘Justice as Fairness’: Not only Political but also Metaphysical, *Hitit Theology Journal* 22, no. 3 (2023): 953-965. (ESCI and SCOPUS)
3. A Reply to Morrison’s Objection to Plantinga’s Free Will Defense, *Ilahiyat Studies*, 14, no. 2 (2023): 419-437. (ESCI and SCOPUS)
4. The Free Will Defense and The Problem of Heavenly Freedom, *Journal of the Faculty of Divinity of Ankara University* 64, no. 1 (2023): 121-135. (ESCI)

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## PRESENTATIONS

	“Divine Freedom and the Best of All Possible Worlds”	
2023 April	1. Moss Fellowship Symposium, Department of Philosophy, Indiana University Bloomington	
2023 May	2. Early Career Workshop on Islamic Thought and Anglophone Philosophy, Princeton University	
2023 August	3. Online Workshop on Free Will in Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology, Ohio Northern University	
	“A Problem for Avicenna’s Account of Divine Simplicity and Freedom: Omnirationality”	
2023 February	1. American Philosophical Association Central Division	
2022 May	2. Princeton Project in Philosophy and Religion, Philosophy of Religion Second Incubator	
2022 January	3. Society of Christian Philosophers 2022 Eastern Regional Conference	
2021 November	4. Middle East Studies Association 55 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting	

“The Problem of Divine Creative Freedom”

2022 April

Nelson Fellowship Symposium, Department of  
Philosophy, Indiana University Bloomington

2020 October

“A solution to the debate between Avicenna and al-Ghazālī on divine freedom”  
Middle East Studies Association 54th Annual  
Meeting

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**SERVICE**

2019–2020

Climate Liaison, Indiana University Bloomington

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**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Native

Kurdish, Turkish

Proficiency

English

Intermediate

Arabic

Reading Knowledge

French

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**REFERENCES**

Timothy O'Connor (Co-chair)

Professor of Philosophy

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