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### Education

#### **Clark University**

Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
Ph.D. in History with a specialization in Genocide Studies

Worcester, MA  
Expected 2019

#### **Clark University**

Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
Ph.D. candidate in History with a specialization in Genocide Studies  
Thesis: *Gendered Aspects of the Armenian Genocide  
in the Experiences of its Victimized Females (1914-18)*

Worcester, MA  
January 2017

#### **Yerevan State University**

M.A in History  
Thesis: *Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact of August 23, 1939 and Additional  
Secret Protocol*

Yerevan, RA  
2007

#### **Yerevan State University**

B. A. in History  
Thesis: *The Extermination of the Romanov Family in 1918*

Yerevan, RA  
2005

### Professional Experience

#### **Teaching assistant (Modern Armenian History, Women in Holocaust)**

Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies  
History Department, Clark University

Worcester, MA  
2015-2016

#### **Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute**

Head, Department of Genocide Education Programs

Yerevan, RA  
2013-2014

#### **Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute**

Head, Department of Sources on the Armenian Genocide

Yerevan, RA  
2011-2013

#### **Yerevan State University**

Lecturer, Faculty of International Relations

Yerevan, RA  
2012

**Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute**  
Researcher

Yerevan, RA  
2008-2011

### **Other Relevant Education**

**European Inter-University Centre for  
Human Rights and Democratization**  
*Sexual Violence in Conflict in a Changing Global Environment*

Venice, Italy  
2017

**European Inter-University Centre for  
Human Rights and Democratization**  
*Violence against Women, Gender Equality; Gender Violence from Cedaw to  
Istanbul and Beyond*

Venice, Italy  
2015

**Toronto University and Zoryan Institute**  
***Genocide and Human Rights University Program***

Toronto, Canada  
2012

**Institute for Democracy and Human Rights**  
*Course on statehood, democracy, human rights, national security  
civic society, constitutional order and civic activism*

Yerevan, RA  
2007-2008

### **Publications**

“Between Love, Pain and Identity: Armenian Women after the WWI”, *Women’s Everyday Life and Politics in the South Caucasus*” ed. U. Ziemer, (Palgrave, Macmillan, 2019).

“The Armenian Materials in the Guerguerian Archive”, (Clark University, November 2018), ([https://www.academia.edu/37933949/The\\_Armenian\\_Materials\\_in\\_the\\_Guerguerian\\_Archive](https://www.academia.edu/37933949/The_Armenian_Materials_in_the_Guerguerian_Archive))

“Marriage Contract: Armenians against Venereal Diseases at the Beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century”, *The Armenian Weekly 2018 Magazine dedicated to the Centennial of the First Republic of Armenia* (Boston, 2018).

“Ruben Heryan: Liberator of Armenian Women and Children from Muslim Families after the Armenian Genocide”, *Muslim (ized) Armenians*, ed. Altug Yilmaz, (Istanbul, 2015) pp.159-166.

“The Gender Issue. The Dilemma of Re-Armenization of the Women After the Genocide”, *Regional Affairs: Ethnicity, Ideology and Genocide*, N. 2, (Yerevan, 2014), pp. 62-74.

“The Rescue Mission of Armenian Women and Orphans After WWI”, *Near East*, N. 10, (Yerevan, 2014), pp. 247-256.

“The Social Activities of the Armenian women in Cilicia after 1909 Massacres. (e. g. of Z. Esayan and A. Teodik), *Journal of Genocide Studies*, (Yerevan, 2013), 1(1) pp. 7-14.

“Genocide and Gendercide”, *Near East*, N. 7, (Yerevan, 2011), pp. 33-39

“The foundation of the Turkish theatre and the first actresses”, *Faithful Servants: Armenia Children in the Service of the Turkish State* (Lyon, 2010), pp.117-127

“The foundation of the Turkish theatre and the first actresses”, *Near East* N. 6, (Yerevan, 2009), pp. 29-33

### **Academic Projects**

*Name:* Krikor Guerguerian Digital Archive May 2016 - November 2018

*Responsibility:* Categorize Armenian materials of the archive

*Name:* Society for Armenian Studies Podcast May 2018 – present

*Responsibility:* Committee Member

### **Selected Presentations and Workshops**

“Mass Rape and Body Destruction of the Armenian Women during the Genocide.”  
*The Genocide of the Christian Populations of the Ottoman Empire and its Aftermath (1908-1923)* May 2019  
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Faculty of Philosophy

“Between Love, Pain and Identity: Armenian Women after the WWI.” July 2018  
*6th Global Conference on Genocide*  
International Network of Genocide Scholars,  
Medical Faculty of Aix-Marseille University (France)

Ritualized Rapes and Body Destruction of the Armenian Women during the Genocide November 2016  
*Women during the Genocide*  
Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting)

The Predicament of re-Armenization of Armenian Women after the Genocide September 2016  
*After Genocide: Gendered Trauma, Transmission and Reinvention*  
Women in War in partnership with the Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography in Yerevan

Armenian Girl Orphans and Their Situation After the WWI July 2016  
*Children and War: Past and Present*

Third International Multidisciplinary Conference in Salzburg University

Gendered Aspects of Genocide July 2016

*5th International Conference on Genocide*

International Network of Genocide Scholars,

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

The Issue of Identity of Surviving Armenian Women and Children after WWI June 2016

*Aid to Armenia: Armenia and Armenians in International History*

Birkbeck College, University of London

Ritualized Rapes and Body Destruction of the Armenian April 2016

Women during the Genocide

*War and Sexual Violence*

CUNY Graduate Center

From Adana to Boli's: Zabel Yesayan Letters to Tigran Yesayan in 1909 March 2016

*Empire, Politics, and War: The Armenian Genocide*

*within the Context of the Ottoman Empire*

Armenian Studies Program of California State University

Gender Issues of the Armenian Genocide, Key speaker May 2015

*Women and War*

Online Seminars on Gender and Armed Conflict

The Dilemma of Re-Armenization of the April 2015

Women after the Genocide

*Third International Graduate Student Conference on Holocaust and Genocide Studies*

Clark University

'Neutral home' and the Issue of Identity of the March 2015

Surviving Armenian Women and Children

*Crossing the Centennial: The Historiography of the Armenian Genocide*

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Raphael Lemkin's Concept of the Cultural Genocide March 2015

*The Armenian Genocide 1915-2015. One hundred years of "Great Evil."*

University of Padua

The Gender issue of the Armenian Genocide March 2015

*Genocide of Armenians: Learning from the Past, Learning Toward the Future*

The Armenian Assembly of America & Scientific

Analytic Center for Regional Affairs

- Ruben Heryan: Liberator of Armenian Women and Children from Muslim Families after the Armenian Genocide  
*Islamized Armenians*  
November 2013  
Hrant Dink Foundation with Boğaziçi University
- Who are they? Armenian women's experience during and after the Genocide  
*Genocide, War and Violence Influence on Genetics and Behavior*  
September 2013  
L.A. Orbeli Institute of Physiology
- Gender and educational issues of Armenian girls in Kharberd in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century before and after the establishment of missionary schools  
*Shared History, Shared Geography: The Ottoman East*  
April 2013  
The Fourth Annual International Graduate Student Workshop  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- Gender Aspects of the Armenian Genocide. The Problems and Prospective of its Research  
*Armenian Genocide: Challenges on the Eve of Century*  
March 2013  
Armenian Genocide Museum & Institute
- The Gender Issue. The Dilemma of re-Armenization of the Women after the Genocide  
*Gendered Memories of War and Political Violence*  
May 2012  
Central European University (CEU) with Sabancı University
- The Meaning of the Scandinavian Missionaries' Testimonies from the Perspective of the Armenian Genocide  
*The Armenian Genocide and Scandinavian Response*  
April 2011  
Armenian Genocide Museum & Institute
- Genocide and Gendercide  
August 2010  
National Academy of Sciences,  
Institute of Oriental Studies, Yerevan, Armenia
- The Folk Music and Armenian Identity in the Ottoman Empire and Republic of Turkey  
*Cultural Genocide*  
April 2010  
Armenian Genocide Museum & Institute
- The Foundation of the Ottoman Theatre and the First Actresses  
June 2009  
National Academy of Sciences,  
Institute of Oriental Studies, Yerevan, Armenia
- The Reflection of the Adana Massacres in the Correspondence and Literary Works of the Western Armenian Female Intellectuals  
*Armenian Massacres in Adana District of the Ottoman Empire*  
April 2009  
Armenian Genocide Museum & Institute

**Research Languages**

Eastern Armenian (native), Western Armenian (native), Russian, English, French, Turkish

**References****Taner Akçam, Ph.D.**

Professor of History, Robert Aram, Marianne Kaloosdian and Stephan and Marian Mugar Chair in Armenian Genocide Studies, Department of History, Clark University, tel. 508.421.3863.

**Thomas Kühne, Ph.D.**

Strassler Chair in Holocaust Studies and Director of the Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, History Department, Clark University, tel. 508.793.8897.

**Lerna Ekmekcioglu, Ph.D.**

McMillan-Stewart Associate Professor of History, MIT (affiliated with Women and Gender Studies Program and Center for International Studies), tel. 617.388.1226

**Cynthia Enloe, Ph.D.**

Research Professor, Adjunct Professor of Political Science, Department of International Development, Community, and Environment, Women's and Gender Studies, Department of Political Science, Clark University, tel. 508.793.7201.