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The American Geographical Society Awards 2021 Council Fellowship to Ms. Özlem Ayse Özgür

Description: The American Geographical Society (AGS) awards Ms. Özlem Ayse Özgür of the University of Arizona the 2021 AGS Council Fellowship.

[New York City, NY] – [March 16, 2021] — The American Geographical Society (AGS) announced the recipients of the 2021 AGS Council Fellowships to support master’s and doctoral research. Ms. Özlem Ayse Özgür, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Arizona, is one of four recipients of the 2021 Fellowship. Established in 2013, graduate students from universities around the world are eligible to apply for the $1,500.00 award. AGS will recognize the Fellowship recipients during its annual Fall Symposium, streaming online November 15-19, 2021.

Ms. Özlem Ayse Özgür’s fellowship will help pay for the translation and transcription of her research, Effects of Community Gardening on Socio-Economic Wellbeing of Sub-Saharan African Refugee Women in Southern Arizona. “The objective of this research is to investigate how shared activity spaces such as community gardens within community economy networks influence resettlement and socio-economic well-being of Sub Saharan refugee women in a neoliberal context by using mixed methods,” said Ms. Özgür.

"Members of the American Geographical Society Council believe that supporting researchers who address contemporary issues is fundamental. To ensure the health of the discipline, we must support young scholars” said Dr. Marie Price, Chair of the Selection Committee and President of AGS. “We are delighted to fund four promising young scholars in their field investigations through the AGS Council Fellowships and we look forward to reading about their discoveries," added Dr. Price.

The American Geographical Society is a 21st-century learning society dedicated to the advancement of geographic thinking, knowledge, and understanding across business, government, academe, social sectors, and most importantly with teachers and students. Established in 1851, AGS is the oldest professional geographical organization in the United States. It is recognized worldwide as a pioneer in geographical research and education for 170 years. The mission of AGS is to convene a diverse global community of innovators, thinkers, and practitioners; create and curate geographical knowledge, learning and exploration; and advance geographic science and technologies to address society’s challenges and opportunities. The Society maintains its headquarters in New York City.

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