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## **Education Information**

Doctorate, Ankara University, Sosyal Bilimler Enstitüsü, Basic Islamic Sciences, Turkey 1997 - 2001

Postgraduate, Ankara University, Sosyal Bilimler Enstitüsü, Basic Islamic Sciences, Turkey 1993 - 1996

Undergraduate, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Turkey 1988 - 1992

## **Foreign Languages**

Arabic, C1 Advanced

English, B2 Upper Intermediate

## **Dissertations**

Doctorate, Early Tafsır Activities Based on Analyses of Isnāds in the Case of Ibn Abī Ḥātim's (327/939) Tafsır, Ankara University, Sosyal Bilimler Enstitüsü, Basic Islamic Sciences, 2001

Postgraduate, ‘Ā’isha ‘Abd al-Rahmān and Her Role in the Interpretation of the Qur’ān, Ankara University, Sosyal Bilimler Enstitüsü, Basic Islamic Sciences, 1996

## **Academic Titles / Tasks**

Professor, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2011 - Continues

Associate Professor, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2006 - 2011

Research Assistant, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 1993 - 2006

## **Academic and Administrative Experience**

Head of Department, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2023 - Continues

Head of Department, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2020 - Continues

Member, Scientific Research and Publication Ethics for Humanities and Social Sciences, Council of Higher Education of Turkey (YÖK), Council of Higher Education of Turkey (YÖK), 2014 - 2016

Member, Accreditation Unit of Divinity Subcommittee, Council of Higher Education of Turkey (YÖK), 2013 - 2014

Fakülte Yönetim Kurulu Üyesi, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2011 - 2014  
Erasmus Program Department Coordinator, Ankara University, İlahiyat Fakültesi, Temel İslam Bilimleri Bölümü, 2010 - 2012

## Courses

Quranic Recitation III, Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024  
History and Methodology of Tafsir (Arabic), Undergraduate, 2023 - 2024  
Quranic Sciences and Tafsir Litaratüre II, Doctorate, 2023 - 2024  
Contemporary Approaches to the Quran, Undergraduate, 2022 - 2023  
Early Tafsir Activities, Doctorate, 2022 - 2023, 2021 - 2022, 2020 - 2021, 2019 - 2020, 2017 - 2018, 2015 - 2016, 2014 - 2015  
Source Information in Tafsir Research II, Postgraduate, 2023 - 2024  
History and Methodology of Quranic Exegesis, Undergraduate, 2022 - 2023  
Asbab al-Nuzul, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018  
History and Methodology of Tafsir, Undergraduate, 2015 - 2016  
Source Information in Tafsir Research I, Postgraduate, 2014 - 2015  
Quranic Recitation IV, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015  
Quranic Semantics, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015  
Tafsir III , Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014, 2012 - 2013, 2010 - 2011  
27055102 Tafsir Narrations, Postgraduate, 2013 - 2014, 2012 - 2013, 2011 - 2012, 2010 - 2011, 2009 - 2010, 2008 - 2009, 2007 - 2008

## Advising Theses

Koç M. A., Al-Māturīdī's (d. 333/944) Maqāsid-Oriented Methodology of Exegesis in his Ta'wīlāt al-Qur'ān, Doctorate, G.MADEN(Student), 2023  
Koç M. A., An Analyses of the Documentation Modules of Corpus Coranicum, Postgraduate, E.FURKAN(Student), 2022  
Koç M. A., Contemporary Researches on the narrations in Kitābu'l-Meşāhīf, Postgraduate, A.ALTISSOY(Student), 2022  
Koç M. A., The Problem of Subjectivity of Maqāsid Approaches in Tafsīr, Postgraduate, R.YAMAN(Student), 2021  
Koç M. A., The Existing Tradition of Qur'anic Memorization (Híz) in Egypt and the Meth. of " Memorization without Tajwid", Postgraduate, R.YOUNES(Student), 2021  
Koç M. A., The Reflection of the linguistic disagreements between Basra and Kufa schools in Ṭabarī's Tafsīr, Postgraduate, S.ÇAÇAN(Student), 2021  
Koç M. A., Comparison between Blachère and Darwaza about determination of verses' revelation times, Postgraduate, F.BUBA(Student), 2020  
Koç M. A., "Ahd" in the jahiliyya poems and the Qur'an, Postgraduate, R.KOÇ(Student), 2020  
Koç M. A., In the context of Kurdish commentary and meaning of Qur'ān: Mela Muhammed Şoşikī's Kurdish commentary and meaning of Qur'ān "Nura Gelban", Doctorate, M.TAHİR(Student), 2020  
Koç M. A., Prominent studies in English qiraah sources, Postgraduate, A.NUR(Student), 2019  
Koç M. A., Tİbī and "Futūḥu'l-Ğayb fi'l-Kashf 'an Qinâ'i'r-Rayb" as a critic of Zamakhsharī, Doctorate, M.SACIT(Student), 2017  
Koç M. A., Targhib-Tarhib method in the context of dichotomic narrative structure of the Qur'ān, Doctorate, H.GÖRMEZ(Student), 2016  
Koç M. A., Hasan Basri's Variant Readings of the Qur'an (Qiraats) and their Contributions to the Qur'anic Commentaries (Tafseer), Doctorate, B.DEMİRCİGİL(Student), 2016  
Koç M. A., An Example Of The Ottoman modern period "methodology of Tafsīr": Debreli Vildan Faik Bey (1853-1925) And his work called el-Multekat fi Uşûli't-Tefsîr, Postgraduate, M.MURAT(Student), 2016  
Koç M. A., The Development of the Narration of Noah in the Tafsīr Literature, Doctorate, S.ÇELEM(Student), 2016

Koç M. A., "The Naskh in Abû Cafar at-Tûsî's (d. 460/1067) Tafsîr", Postgraduate, R.TURAN(Student), 2015

Koç M. A., Tabarî (224-310/839-923)'s position in the context of the Kalâm discussions in the first three centuries, Doctorate, N.YAŞAR(Student), 2015

Koç M. A., The Concept of Love in Qur'an, Postgraduate, A.ABDULQADER(Student), 2014

Koç M. A., Hadiths containing Qur'anic references in the Sahih-i Muslim, Doctorate, N.GÜLER(Student), 2012

Koç M. A., A search for a solution to the narration-related problems of the science of tafsîr: Ibn Kathîr's (774/1373) Tafsîru'l-Kur'âni'l-Azîm, Doctorate, H.SAVUT(Student), 2012

Koç M. A., Orientalists' perspectives on the history of the Quran, Postgraduate, K.GÖZÜTOK(Student), 2012

Koç M. A., al-Dirâya fi Tafsîr al-Tabarî, Doctorate, H.ÖNEN(Student), 2012

Koç M. A., Ta lîqa Genre in the Ottoman Tafsîr Tradition: Mu idzâda Muhammed b. Abd al- Azîz al-Mar ashî (983/1575) and his Naql al-Sifâr: Ta lîqa alâ Mawâdi i al- Khilâf bayna al-Zamakhsharî wa-al-Baydâwî", Postgraduate, H.YÜCEL(Student), 2012

Koç M. A., Tafsîr manuscripts in "El-Merkezu'l-Vatani", "El-Evkâfu'l-Âmme" "Eş-Sheyh Abdulkâdir Geylânî" Libraries Located In Baghdad, Postgraduate, K.AUSAMAH(Student), 2011

Koç M. A., The tradition of 'Quran memorization' in Islamic cultural history and its current forms of practice, Doctorate, H.ŞAHİN(Student), 2011

Koç M. A., The Evaluation of the Orientalist Studies of the Quran in the Sample of the Articles on the Surah 112: Al-Ikhlas, Published in the Journal Der Islam, Postgraduate, N.ÖZSOY(Student), 2010

## Jury Memberships

Competition, a member representing Turkey in the Judgment committee of 34th King Abdulaziz International Holy Qur'ân Competition for Memorization, Saudi Arabia Ministry of Islamic Services, Foundations, Da'wah and Guidance, March, 2012

Competition, A member representing Turkey in the Judgment committee of 12th Moscow International Holy Qur'ân Competition for Memorization, Office of the Mufti of Russia, March, 2011

Competition, Member of the Commission Representing the Republic of Turkey in the 31st King Abdulaziz World Memorization Competition, Saudi Arabia Ministry of Islamic Services, Foundations, Da'wah and Guidance, March, 2009

## Published journal articles indexed by SCI, SSCI, and AHCI

- I. On the Allegedly Overstated Importance of at-Tabarî (d. 310/922) within the Sunnî Exegetical Tradition: An Answer to Walid Saleh  
Koç M. A.  
DEUTSCHEN MORGENLÄNDISCHEN GESELLSCHAFT, ZEITSCHRIFT, vol.173, no.2, pp.343-359, 2023 (AHCI)
- II. The Influence of Western Qur'anic Scholarship in Turkey  
Koç M. A.  
JOURNAL OF QUR'ANIC STUDIES, vol.14, no.1, pp.9-44, 2012 (AHCI)
- III. A comparison of the references to Muqatil B. Sulayman (150/767) in the exegesis of al-Thâ'labî (427/1036) with Muqatil's own exegesis  
Koc M. A.  
JOURNAL OF SEMITIC STUDIES, no.1, pp.69-101, 2008 (AHCI)
- IV. Isnads and Rijal expertise in the exegesis of Ibn Abi Hatim (327/939)  
Koc M. A.  
ISLAM-ZEITSCHRIFT FÜR GESCHICHTE UND KULTUR DES ISLAMISCHEN ORIENTS, vol.82, no.1, pp.146-168, 2005 (AHCI)

## Articles Published in Other Journals

- I. **Chronological Study of Interpretations of al-Ḥurūf al-Muqaṭṭa‘a from the Beginning to the Present”**  
 (Başlangıçtan Günümüze al-Ḥurūf al-Muqaṭṭa‘a Hakkındaki Görüşlerin Kronolojik Bir Değerlendirmesi),  
 Koç M. A.  
 İLAHIYAT TETKIKLERİ DERGİSİ, vol.1, no.56, pp.31-46, 2021 (ESCI)
- II. **On Understanding al-Ṭabarī’s Tafsīr – I**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi Dergisi, vol.51, pp.79-92, 2010 (Scopus)
- III. **The Qur’ānic Text as a Component of the Broadening of the Meaning Provided by the Occasion of Revelation**  
 Koç M. A.  
 ISLAMIYYAT-THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC STUDIES, vol.7, no.1, pp.113-124, 2004 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- IV. **An Introduction to Tafsir Activities in al-Andalusia**  
 Koç M. A.  
 ISLAMIYYAT-THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC STUDIES, vol.7, pp.43-58, 2004 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- V. **On Some Historical Problems About Exegesis of Sūra 53. Najm**  
 Koç M. A.  
 ISLAMIYYAT-THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC STUDIES, vol.6, pp.165-171, 2003 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- VI. **A Critical Approach to John Burton’s Article ‘Linguistic Errors in The Qur’ān**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakultesi Dergisi, vol.35, no.1-4, pp.553-560, 1996 (Scopus)

## Books & Book Chapters

- I. **The "Innovative-Critical" qualification of Ankara University Divinity Faculty and what it evokes**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Ankara University Divinity Faculty in 70th Anniversary: Past and Future Perspectives, Eyüp Şahin-Recep Gürkan Göktaş, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.139-151, 2023
- II. **"Quranic Recitation" Teaching at Ankara University Divinity Faculty**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Divinity Education in Turkey, İrfan Aycan, Esra Gözeler, Nurullah Yazar, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.311-329, 2023
- III. **Qur’ānic Sciences and History of Tafsīr**  
 Koç M. A. (Editor)  
 Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, 2021
- IV. **Noah in the Qur’ān**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Thematic Tafsir: Life Guide Quran, Mehmet PAÇACI vd., Editor, Diyanet İşleri Başkanlığı Yayımları, İstanbul, pp.1-2, 2021
- V. **Attachments**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Qur’ānic Sciences and History of Tafsīr, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, pp.399-463, 2021
- VI. **Major Topics of the Qur’ān**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Qur’ānic Sciences and History of Tafsīr, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, pp.53-66, 2021
- VII. **Rivayet Ağırlıklı Tefsirler**  
 Koç M. A., Pak Z.  
 in: Kur'an İlimleri ve Tefsir Tarihi, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, pp.147-164, 2021

- VIII. **On the Tafsîr and Ta’wîl**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Qur’ânîc Sciences and History of Tafsîr, Mehmet Akif Koç, Editor, Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, pp.29-53, 2021
- IX. **Early Tafsîr Activities, “Narrative - Based Commentaries”**  
 Koç M. A., Pak Z.  
 in: Qur’ânîc Sciences and History of Tafsîr, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Grafiker Yayınları, Ankara, pp.107-141, 2021
- X. **Academic Approaches to Tafsîr (two volumes)**  
 Koç M. A. (Editor)  
 Otto, Ankara, 2013
- XI. **Âişe Abdurrahmân**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts II, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi Uzaktan Eğitim Yayınları, Ankara, pp.215-229, 2013
- XII. **The Question of Reciting the Qur’ân in Regional Pronunciation: The Case of the Turks**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Academic Approaches to Tafsîr 2, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Otto Yayınları, Ankara, pp.7-19, 2013
- XIII. **Tantâvî Cevherî**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts II, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.149-162, 2013
- XIV. **Seyyid Kutub**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts II, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.165-179, 2013
- XV. **The Remedy for Arbitrariness in Tafsîr: Tafsîr Reports**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Academic Approaches to Tafsîr 1, Mehmet Akif KOÇ, Editor, Otto Yayınları, Ankara, pp.43-55, 2013
- XVI. **Ebû Ubeyde Ma’mer b. el-Müseennâ**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts I, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.87-98, 2012
- XVII. **İbn Cerîr et-Taberî**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts I, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.101-120, 2012
- XVIII. **Mukâtil b. Süleymân**  
 Koç M. A.  
 in: Tafsîr Texts I, Salih AKDEMİR, Editor, Ankara Üniversitesi, Ankara, pp.23-37, 2012
- XIX. **The References to Muqâtil b. Sulaymân (150/767) in the Exegesis of al-Thâ’labî (427/1036)**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Kitabiyat Yayınları, Ankara, 2005
- XX. **Early Tafsîr Activities Based on Analyses of Isnâds in the Case of Ibn Abî Hâtîm’s (327/939) Tafsîr**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Kitabiyat Yayınları, Ankara, 2003
- XXI. **48. ‘Â’isha ‘Abd al-Rahmân and Her Role in the Interpretation of the Qur’ân**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Sule Yayınları, İstanbul, 1998

## Refereed Congress / Symposium Publications in Proceedings

- I. **Anachronism in the Qur’ânîc Translations**  
 Koç M. A.  
 Kur'an Mealleri ve Metin-Merkezci Yorum Sempozyumu, İstanbul, Turkey, 28 December 2019, pp.199-209
- II. **Actual Value of Tafsîr Reports**  
 Koç M. A.

- Günümüzde İslâm'ı Anlamak , Bursa, Turkey, 29 May 2016, pp.61-75
- III. **On the Mawqūf and Maqtū‘ Tafsīr Reports in the Sa‘īd b. Manṣūr’s Sunan**  
Koç M. A.  
Kur'an ve sahaba sempozyumu, Sivas, Turkey, 22 May 2015, pp.243-251
- IV. **Harf Eğitimimde Arap Türk Ağzı ikilemi Üzerine**  
KOÇ M. A.  
Sempozyum, 16 - 18 November 2012
- V. **On the Dilemma of Arabic Dialect and Turkish Dialect in the Teaching of the Qur’ānic Recitation**  
Koç M. A.  
ULUSLARARASI KIRAAT SEMPOZYUMU, Ankara, Turkey, 16 November 2012, pp.585-596
- VI. **The Value of Isnād System From the Viewpoint of Exegetical Traditions**  
Koç M. A.  
The Symposium of Early Islamic Heritage, Frankfurt, Germany, 5 - 07 November 2009, pp.103-122
- VII. **Different Approaches of the Orientalists Towards the Reliability of the Ḥadīth Reports**  
Koç M. A.  
Oryantasyonlu Yeniden Okumak-Batı'da İslâm Çalışmaları Sempozyumu, Sakarya, Turkey, 11 - 12 May 2002, pp.329-335

## Activities in Scientific Journals

- COMPARATIVE ISLAMIC STUDIES, Committee Member, 2018 - Continues
- Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakultesi Dergisi, Committee Member, 2012 - 2014
- ISLAMIYYAT-THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC STUDIES, Committee Member, 2004 - 2007

## Tasks In Event Organizations

- Koç M. A., A member representing Turkey in the committee of 3th International Holy Qur’ān Award, Workshop Organization, Al-Kuwayt, Kuwait, Nisan 2013
- Koç M. A., Dubai Government Workshop on Establishing the Principles of International Quran Competitions, Workshop Organization, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Nisan 2012

## Mobility Activity

- Other, Lecturing, HBKU, Qatar, 2017 - 2017
- Other, Lecturing, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universitaet Frankfurt am Main, Germany, 2013 - 2013
- Bilateral Colloboration Agreement, Lecturing, Pontifica Universita Gregoriana, Italy, 2009 - 2009

## Metrics

- Publication: 51
- Citation (WoS): 7
- Citation (Scopus): 7
- H-Index (WoS): 2
- H-Index (Scopus): 1

## Congress and Symposium Activities

Reconstructing the Dynamics of the Emergence of Islam – Possibilities and Limits, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2022

Moderator, Frankfurt, Germany, 2021

Quran Translations and Text-Centered Interpretation Symposium, Invited Speaker, İstanbul, Turkey, 2019

Ankara University Faculty of Divinity (Ankara İlahiyat)-Past and Future Perspectives – International Symposium, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 2019

Islamic Sciences Symposium/Münster Islamic Sciences Center, Invited Speaker, Münster, Germany, 2019

Mekke Döneminin İkinci Evresi (Üçüncü ve Beşinci Yıllar Arasındaki Süreç) Çalıştayı, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 2019

Humboldt University Faculty Member Selection Presentation, Invited Speaker, Berlin, Germany, 2019

Islamic Sciences Symposium/Frankfurt Goethe University Center for Islamic Sciences – ZEFIS, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2018

Islamic Sciences Symposium/Münster University Islamic Sciences Center, Invited Speaker, Münster, Germany, 2018

Panel - Symposium on Understanding Islam Today, Invited Speaker, Bursa, Turkey, 2016

Islamic Sciences Symposium/Qatar Hamad Bin Khalifa University Islamic Sciences Center, Invited Speaker, Ad-Dawhah, Qatar, 2016

Divinity Experience in Turkey: Ankara University Faculty of Theology Example Symposium, Invited Speaker, Bilecik, Turkey, 2015

Kur'an ve Sahâbe Sempozyumu,, Invited Speaker, Sivas, Turkey, 2015

İslami İlimler Sempozyumu/Frankfurt Goethe Üniversitesi İslami İlimler Merkezi – ZEFIS, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2014

İslami İlimler Sempozyumu/Goethe Üniversitesi İslami İlimler Merkezi – Mercator Vakfi, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2013

Presidency of Religious Affairs International Quranic Recitation Symposium, Invited Speaker, İstanbul, Turkey, 2012

Contemporary Quran Studies symposium/SOAS England, Invited Speaker, London, England, 2011

Kutlu Doğum Sempozyumu, Diyanet İşleri Başkanlığı, Invited Speaker, Eskişehir, Turkey, 2010

Islamic Sciences Symposium / Frankfurt Goethe University Center for Islamic Sciences – GEFIS, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2009

Islamic Sciences Symposium / Frankfurt Goethe University Center for Islamic Sciences – GEFIS, Invited Speaker, Frankfurt, Germany, 2008

Re-reading Orientalism-Islamic Studies in the West Symposium, Invited Speaker, Sakarya, Turkey, 2002

## Scholarships

Scholarship for contribution to the "Linked Open Tafsir" project, University, 2022 - 2022

Scholarship for contribution to the "Linked Open Tafsir" project, University, 2021 - 2021

Scholarship for contribution to the "Linked Open Tafsir" project, University, 2021 - 2021

Distinguished Visiting Research Fellow , University, 2010 - 2010

Scholarship for participation in German language course, Other International Organizations, 2005 - 2005

Egypt-Türkiye mutual education scholarship, Official Institutions of Foreign Countries, 1994 - 1995

## Artworks

Koç M. A., Recording the recitation of the whole Qur'ān with the "Narration of Hafṣ from 'Āşim" by choosing "Qaṣr al-Munfaṣil" from Tayyiba al-Nashr fī al-Qirā'āt al-'Ashr and with different maqams in the studio, available in MP3 format, 2020: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fURyBTu9ho8&list=PL5hdZi4NdvxOB39eMsAl0ZhXqn4i6VMpN>, Other Musical Types, Other, June 2020

## **Representation and Promotion Activities**

Institutional Representation, Presidency of Religious Affairs/Ankara Çankaya Mufti's Office - Hasan Tanık Mosque,  
Turkey, Ankara, 2013 - 2019

## **Non Academic Experience**

Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi  
Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi