

# WHITMAN COLLEGE

The Thirty-Ninth Sivert O. and Marjorie Allen Skotheim Lecture

## **“Deciphering Denial: Ottoman Past, Turkish Present and the Collective Violence against the Armenians, 1789-2009”**

Presented by

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**Friday, April 27, 7 p.m., Olin 130**



Professor Göçek’s research focuses on the comparative analysis of history, politics and gender in the first and third worlds. She critically analyzes the impact of processes such as development, nationalism, religious movements and collective violence on minorities. Her published works includes *East Encounters West: France and the Ottoman Empire in the 18th Century* (Oxford University Press, 1987), *Reconstructing Gender in the Middle East: Tradition, Identity, Power* (Columbia University Press, 1994 co-edited with Shiva Balaghi), *Rise of the Bourgeoisie, Demise of Empire: Ottoman Westernization and Social Change* (Oxford University Press, 1996), *Political Cartoons in the Middle East* (Markus Wiener Publishers, 1998), *Social Constructions of Nationalism in the Middle East* (SUNY Press, 2002), *The Transformation of Turkey: Redefining State and Society from the Ottoman Empire to the Modern Era* (I.B. Tauris Publishers, 2011), and *A Question of Genocide: Armenians and Turks at the End of the Ottoman Empire* (Oxford University Press, 2011 co-edited with Ronald Grigor Suny and Norman Naimark).

## **The Western Ottomanists’ Workshop**

A Collaborative Workshop of West Coast Ottoman Scholars

**Saturday, April 28, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Olin 130**

**9 a.m. - noon**

Introduction

**Panel I: “Preserving the Past: Archives, Museums, and Heritage Tourism”**

**Heghnar Watenpaugh** (Associate Professor, UC Davis) “Heritage in Conflict. The Social Life of a Medieval Manuscript”

**Carel Bertram** (Professor, San Francisco State University) “Armenian Pilgrimages, Ottoman Space, Current Time”

**Ceren Abi** (Ph.D. Candidate, UCLA) “The Iraq Museum in its Regional Context: The late Ottoman and the Interwar Experiences”

Lunch break

**1 - 2:45 p.m.**

**Panel II. “Sufi Travelers, Sufi Bureaucrats”**

**Nir Shafir** (Ph.D. Candidate, UCLA) “The Road from Damascus: Knowledge and Travel in the Seventeenth Century”

**Andrew Jan** (Ph.D. Candidate, UCLA) “Sufis, Bakris, and Pashas: The Bureaucratization of Sufi Orders in Nineteenth-Century Cairo”

**2:45 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Panel III. “Appropriating the Past, from Mehmet II’s Conquest of Constantinople to Modern Turkish Literature”**

**Lee Beaudoen** (Ph.D. Candidate, UCLA) “Rhetoric and Reality: The Appropriation of Byzantine Culture by Mehmet II During the Fall of Constantinople”

**Zeynep Seviner** (Ph.D. Candidate, University of Washington) “Turkish Literature as World Literature?: Dynamics of Turkish Literary Historiography”

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