

# Yasin Tuna KURSUNLU

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<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>Lycée Français Saint Joseph</b> , Istanbul/Turkey <u>Diploma:</u> Turkish High School <u>Track:</u> Math – Science	<i>Sept. 2015 – present</i>
	<b>The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music</b> , UK <u>Diploma granted:</u> 2019 <u>Track:</u> Piano <u>Exams completed:</u> Piano Grade 1,2,3,5,6,8 Music Theory Grade 5	<i>2012 – 2019</i>
<b>SUMMER TRAINING</b>	<b>Harvard University</b> , MA/USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pre-College Credit Program</li><li>• <u>Courses:</u> Introduction to Historical Linguistics (Grade: A-) Deductive Logic (only few selected high school students with admission test)</li></ul>	<i>Summer 2019</i>
	<b>Boston University Summer Challenge Program</b> , MA/USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Courses:</u> Creative Writing Abnormal Psychology</li></ul>	<i>Summer 2018</i>
<b>ACADEMIC AWARDS</b>	<b>High Honor Roll, Ministry of Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Awarded to students who display exemplary academic success</li></ul>	<i>2015 – present awarded each term</i>
	<b>Honor Certificate (Prix d’Honneur), Ministry of Education</b>	<i>2016 – 2017 2018 – 2019</i>
<b>PIANO AWARDS</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place, E Category</b> , IPC International Piano Competition <b>Grand Prix</b> , Leyla Pamir Award, International Young Talent Music Competition <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> , 11 <sup>th</sup> International Pera Piano Competition	<i>June 2019 May 2016 May 2016</i>
<b>WORK EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>Telepati Advertising Agency</b> , Istanbul/Turkey Intern (full-time), <i>Project Department</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Familiarized myself with the working dynamics of an advertising agency that assists companies in startup stage</li><li>• Worked with the group tasked with finding company names and etymological connotations with regards to the sector the startup is launching in given my interest in linguistics</li></ul>	<i>Summer 2019</i>
	<b>Kurshuni Jewelry</b> , Istanbul/Turkey Intern (part-time), <i>Sales Department</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attended international sales fairs to introduce the brand to new markets</li><li>• Worked with the team responsible for putting together the annual catalogue to be sent out to international clients</li></ul>	<i>Sept. – Dec. 2018</i>
<b>ACADEMIC WORKING PROJECT</b>	Although language is our principal means of understanding the universe, ironically, it is also the main obstacle that prevents us from clearly understanding the universe. For us to ameliorate our reasoning and communication capacity, we need a simple, clear, accurate, and systematic cognition medium. If language -- the software of thought -- could classify significations through fundamental paradigms and communicate them accurately, we would have a lucid understanding. I'm working on creating such a systematic cognition system, which I think would ultimately lead us to right action, by investigating problems about language and intellect with a logical and philosophical insight.	

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## ACTIVITIES

### Piano

*2009 – present*

- Attended International Pera Piano Festivals (2012 – 2016)
- Participated in Aci Piano Workshop led by Emmanuel Mercier (Jan. 2016)
- Completed Master Class at Arsu Academy of Fine Arts, Ministry of Education (Jan. 2014)

### Sustainability

*2017 – present*

- Received initial training during the *Introduction to Permaculture* seminar by Taner Aksel
- Attended Caretakers of the Environment International Conferences around the world to address the immediate need to attain environmental sustainability:  
CEI Conference, Oregon/USA (July 2017)  
CEI Conference, Judenburg/Austria (July 2018)

### Concours Science et Jeunesse (Science Fair)

*June 2017*

- Represented Lycée Français Saint Joseph during the competition with the team *Aziz Sancar*, named after the Nobel-prize winner Turkish chemist

## LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native)

English (Read, Write, Speak- B2)

French (C2, DALF)