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Bio:

Hamide has been a Ph.D. in Design student at NC State University since 2022. After completing her bachelor's degree in architecture in Istanbul, she worked as an architect in several offices. Then she pursued her education in an architectural design master's program. While studying, she organized several workshops related to urban image, sense of place, and genius loci. Her master's thesis was about the sense of timelessness in public designs. In 2022, she was awarded the Provost's Fellowship to join NC State University as a Ph.D. student.

Currently, she focuses on the critical intersection of climate-smart campuses and student well-being and resilience, specifically examining the impact of extreme heat on students' experiences in campus green spaces. The goals of her studies are to investigate and analyze the features of campus green spaces to create more effective environments and support student well-being. Besides that, she was the GSA representative and treasurer of the Ph.D. Student Association of the Design College, and a member of the CASE committee in the academic year of 2023-2024.

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