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**Before the Iliad:**  
**Communities in Conflict in Bronze Age Anatolia**

Wednesday, March 13 | 5-6pm  
Intellectual Heritage Lounge  
Mazur Hall Rm. 215

**About the Lecture**

Müge Durusu-Tanrıöver studies the archaeologies, landscapes, and arts of the eastern Mediterranean, with a specific focus on the hybrid material practices created on the borderlands of Bronze and Iron Age empires. Her research and publications to date concentrated on the Hittite Empire, with a specific emphasis on the imperial strategies of the center that can be traced in material culture and artistic production, as well as the responses of the border regions to Hittite imperialism. Müge is an active field archaeologist. Since 2019, she has been directing the Polatlı Landscape Archaeology and Survey Project (PLAS), for which she received the Archaeological Institute of America’s Richard C. MacDonald Iliad Endowment for Archaeological Research in 2021.