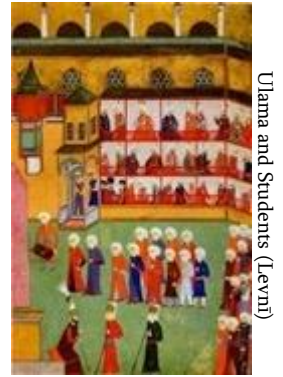


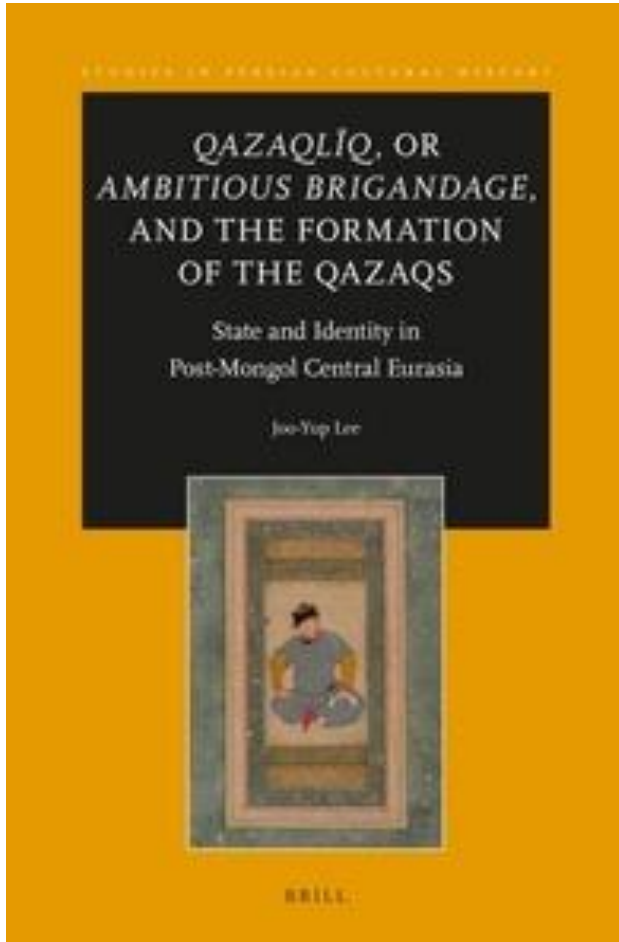
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Qazaqliq, or Ambitious Brigandage, and the Formation of the Qazaqs: State and Identity in Post-Mongol Central Eurasia

Leiden and Boston: Brill Publishers, 2016

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