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## Education

**MA: Russian, Eurasian, and Eastern European Studies**  
Harvard University, Cambridge MA

**September 2019-Present**  
GPA: 3.875

**BPhil: Political Science and International Area Studies**  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA

**August 2014-August 2019**  
GPA: 3.952

## Work Experience

**Davis Center's Program on Central Asia, Harvard University**  
*Innovation Fellow and Research Assistant*

**September 2019-Present**  
*Cambridge, MA*

- Researching digital surveillance in Central Asia vis-à-vis China's Digital Silk Road
- Designing, organizing, and building a website on Central Asia and the South Caucasus
- Planning and coordinating an international workshop on digitization in Central Asia

**Institute for the Study of War**

*National Security and Intelligence Analyst—Intern*

**May 2020-August 2020**  
*Washington D.C.*

- Performed open source analysis working with Russian media
- Worked with a property-based ontology knowledge management system to manage content
- Wrote analytical paper on EU accession processes and the Kremlin's setbacks in the Western Balkans

**United Nations World Food Programme**

*Program Intern*

**October 2018-April 2019**  
*Dushanbe, Tajikistan*

- Performed translation between English, Russian, and Tajik documents
- Tasked with English editing of academic articles and WFP reports
- Improved distribution of WFP resources according to gender reports

## Awards

**Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship—Academic Year**

**April 2019 | April 2020**

- \$45,000 scholarship received twice to continue studying Russian at the graduate level
- Used in combination both times with a \$30,000 Harvard University tuition award

**Boren Scholarship**

**April 2018**

- \$20,000 scholarship funded by the Defense Department to study in Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- Studied Farsi through American Councils for an academic year, August 2018-May-2019
- Schedule A Hiring Status with the Federal Government

## Skills

### Languages

- Russian: Advanced Speaking (OPI: 2), DLPT Reading: 2+, DLPT Listening: 2
- Persian (Farsi): Advanced Speaking (OPI: 2), Advanced Reading and Advanced Listening

### Quantitative Abilities

- R – R Markdown, Tidyverse, Shiny, Blogdown, Latex
- ArcGIS Pro
- Data Visualization
- Statistical Modelling | Machine Learning
- Website Development