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EDUCATION

New University of Lisbon

MSc, 2016. Geospatial Technologies

Honors and Awards: Erasmus Mundus Scholarship

Harvard University

MA, 2013. Regional Studies of Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia,

Honors and Awards: Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS) for Russian language

St. Lawrence University

BA, 2008. Concentration: Global Studies, History

Semester abroad at DIS Danish Institute (Migrants and Multiculturalism in Europe Program)

SKILLS

Software

Proficiency in R, QGIS, Python, ArcGIS 10, Adobe Illustrator

Languages

Russian (fluent), German (advanced), Portuguese (intermediate), Uzbek (novice)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance, New York, NY

GIS Consultant, September – present

- Developed a web map of study programs for the Erasmus Mundus Association
- Developed an application in node.js and PostgreSQL for local governments in Oakland and Dallas

Alfa Fellowship, Moscow, Russia

Fellow, August 2015 – August 2016

- Undertook a one-year professional development program in Moscow with two concurrent placements
- Managed the principal GIS database for *MyStreet*, a large scale urban renewal project at KB Strelka
- Trained two assistants in QGIS, ArcMap, and R at KB Strelka, a Moscow-based urban planning firm
- Designed and created maps and infographics for the Russian issue of *National Geographic*

NextGIS, Moscow, Russia

Project Assistant, July 2014 – December 2014

- Geocoded addresses and designing an interactive web map of victims of Soviet repression in Moscow
- Developed code to extract data from the online database of Russian NGO *Memorial*

Harvard University, Center for Geographic Analysis, Cambridge, MA

Research Assistant, August 2013- May 2014

- Built a geospatial network model of the Russian empire (<http://cga1.cga.harvard.edu/russia/>)
- Digitized and georeferenced raster images of historical maps and assisted in cartographic design

Independent, Cambridge, MA

Freelance editor, February 2014-April 2014

- Translated a documentary about KGB agents discussing Stalinist terror filmed for ABC News
- Added subtitles to footage using Final Cut Pro

American Councils for International Education, Washington D.C.

Resident Director, May 2013-August 2013

- Administered the State Department's Critical Language Scholarship Summer Program in Kazan, Russia

- Served as on-call advisor to students for academic, residential, safety and medical issues

The Kazan Herald, Kazan, Russia

Columnist/Editor, September 2011- May 2012

- Contributed a monthly column “Tatarshá Belehsezmé” about Tatar language and culture
- Edited articles by other writers before publication

U.S.-Russia Bilateral Presidential Commission, Cambridge, MA

Site Officer, March 2011

- Organized and recorded a 3-day media conference for editors of major Russian newspapers and American journalists

Kazan Center of Federalism and Public Policy, Kazan, Russia

Translator/Editor, January 2011

- Translated a special issue of the *Kazan Federalist* journal from Russian to English

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Boren Fellowship, Department of Geography, Kazan, Russia

Kazan Federal University, June 2011- 2012

Project: “Integrating Religious Education into Russian Public Schools”

- Surveyed opinions of teachers, students, and public officials about moral education in Russian schools
- Translated and analyzed public school textbooks on religious culture and secular ethics

Fulbright Scholarship, Department of History, Kazan, Russia

Kazan Federal University, August 2008-2009

Project: “Investigating the Islamic Revival in Russia through the Muslim Press”

- Analyzed contemporary discourses in periodicals and newspaper geared toward Muslims in Russia
- Conducted interviews with 25 representatives of Islamic publishing houses

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Alfa Fellowship, 2015 - 2016

Cultural Vistas

Social Expertise Exchange Emerging Professionals Fellowship, 2015

Eurasia Foundation

Erasmus Mundus Scholarship, 2014 – 2016

European Commission

USGIF Graduate Scholarship, 2014

United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation

Boren Fellowship, 2011-2012

US Department of State

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, 2010-11, 2012-13

US Department of Education

Fulbright Scholarship, 2008-2009

Institute of International Education

100 Projects for Peace, Summer 2007

Kathryn Wasserman Davis Foundation