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### Research Interests

I am interested in international and comparative political economy, migration, and democratization. My specialties include International Relations, Comparative Politics, Quantitative Methods, and Eastern European Politics.

### Education

Rutgers University, NJ, Ph.D., Political Science, 2018

New York University, NY, M.A., International Relations, 2011

Rider University, NJ, B.A., History and Multicultural Studies, summa cum laude, 2008

Belarusian State Pedagogical University, Three years of undergraduate study, 2001-2004

## **Publications**

#### **Peer-Reviewed Articles**

Kulakevich, T. (under review) "Soliciting a Safety Net: Government and Diaspora Investment." *Governance.* 

Kulakevich, T. (under review) "Unexpected Destination: Migrants and Foreign Direct Investment." *International Migration Review*.

Kulakevich, T. 2018. "Belarus in Congressional Record, 1873-1994." *Journal of Belarusian Studies*, 8(2): 32-46.

Kulakevich, T., 2014. "Twenty Years in the Making: Understanding the Difficulty for Change in Belarus." *East European Politics and Societies, and Cultures*, 28(4): 887-901.

#### Book Chapters, Reviews, Translations, Editing

Silitski, V. (forthcoming). *The Road From Tyranny: Post-Communist Authoritarianism and Struggle for Democracy in Serbia and Belarus* (T. Kulakevich, ed.).

Kulakevich, T. and Charnysh, V. 2017. "Political Parties in Belarus." In *Organizational Structures of Political Parties in Central and Eastern European Countries*. Jagiellonian University and Pedagogical University in Krakow.

Kulakevich, T. 2016. Review of M. Balmaceda's "Living the High Life in Minsk: Russian Energy Rents, Domestic Populism and Belarus' Impending Crisis High." *The Journal of Eurasian Studies*, 7(2):220.

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Kipel Z. 2014. "Development of Book Studies in Belarus," 1917-1935 (T. Kulakevich and V. Ermashkevish, Trans.). In *Belarusian Book in Context of the World Book Culture*. Minsk: Medial. pp.123-134.

#### **Public Affairs Commentary**

"Why is Belarus cracking down on independent journalists - and the Internet?" *The Washington Post (Monkey Cage Blog)*, 15 August, 2018.

"Why would authoritarian Belarus liberalize cryptocurrencies?" *The Washington Post (Monkey Cage Blog)*, 25 January, 2018.

"Quality of Gender Equality in Belarus." *BelarusDigest.com*, 5 January, 2016.

"Humanism or Political Calculation: Why Did Lukashenka Pardon Political Prisoners?" *BelarusDigest.com*, 24 August, 2015.

"Belarus-EU Thaw: Will It Last This Time?" BelarusDigest.com, 31 July, 2015.

"Belarus's President Has Scheduled the Next Election. Has He Already Won His Fifth Term?" *The Washington Post (Monkey Cage Blog)*, July 15, 2015.

"Investment Climate in Belarus: Room For Growth," Belarus Digest.com, 10 July, 2015.

"Political Parties in Belarus: Do They Really Matter?" Belarusdigest.com, 16 June, 2015.

"Sanctions, Peace Talks, Bologna Process: Is There Hope for Change?" *BelarusDigest.com*, 18 May, 2015.

"The Ice World Hockey Championship As A Tool For Propaganda." *BelarusDigest.com*, 12 June, 2014.

# Projects and Writing Papers

Kulakevich, T. "Critical Junctures or When Dictators Start Appealing for Diaspora Investment."

Kulakevich, T. "Investing into a Black Hole: Examining the Motives of Migrants to Invest into the Countries with Weak Rule of Law."

Kulakevich, T. and Bahamonde, H. "State Capacity, Profits, and FDI: Exploring Determinants of FDI Across Agricultural and Industrial Sectors."

# Teaching

#### Graduate

Instructor for *POS 6746*: Quantitative Analysis I, University of South Florida, Spring 2019. Instructor for *POS 6918*: Quantitative Methods, University of South Florida, Spring 2019.

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#### Underaduate

Instructor for *POS* 3713: Empirical Political Analysis, University of South Florida, Fall 2018, Spring 2019.

Instructor for POS 3913: Intermediate Research Methods, University of South Florida, Fall 2018.

Instructor for POS 4913: Politics of Eastern Europe, University of South Florida, Fall 2018.

Instructor for 790:300: Introduction to Political Science Methods, Rutgers University, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018.

Teaching Assistant for 790:101: Nature of Politics, with S. Bronner, Rutgers University, Spring 2017.

Teaching Assistant for 790:102: Introduction to International Relations, with E. Harrison, Rutgers University, Fall 2017, with G. Wallace, Rutgers University, Spring 2016.

Teaching Assistant for 790:103: Introduction to Comparative Politics, with M. Rossi, Rutgers University, Fall 2013, Spring 2014.

Teaching Assistant for 790:106: Law and Politics, with Y. Wollenberg, Rutgers University, Spring 2018.

# Conference Participation

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2015, 2017, 2019.

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Austin, 2019.

United Students of Belarus Annual Meeting, Vilnius, Lithuania, 2017.

Annual ASN World Convention, New York, 2013, 2015.

Association for Slavic, Eastern European & Eurasian Studies Annual Convention, 2012, 2013.

Austrian Cultural Forum conference, New York, 2012.

### Grants and Awards

Teaching Assistantship, Rutgers University, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018

TA-GA Award (supporting dissertation research), Rutgers University, Summer 2015, Fall 2015, Summer 2017

Special Study Award (supporting dissertation research), Rutgers University, Summer 2015, Summer 2016

Central European University (Budapest) Grant, Summer 2015

Tuition Incentive Program Award, New York University, 2009-2010, 2010-2011

Educational Scholarship, Lubachko Foundation, 2009-2010

Transfer Scholarship, Rider University, 2007-2008

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# **Professional Service**

Reviewer: East European Societies and Cultures, Journal of Belarusian Studies

Webmaster: Political Science Department at Rutgers University

# Skills

## **Programming**

R, STATA, SPSS. HTML, LaTeX, Joomla

## Languages

Belarusian (native), Russian (native), Polish (reading, speaking), Ukrainian (reading, speaking)