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## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

University of Exeter:

since 2022    Lecturer in Quantitative Political Science  
2020-2022    Postdoctoral Research Fellow (“Populism Roots: Economic and Cultural  
Explanations in Democracies of Europe”)  
2019-2020    Associate Lecturer in Quantitative Methods in Social Science

Binghamton University:

2018           Adjunct Lecturer, School of Management

## **EDUCATION**

2019    Ph.D., Political Science, Binghamton University  
2010    M.A., Political Science, Binghamton University  
2010    M.A. (Hons.), Political Science, Moscow State Institute of International Relations  
(MGIMO-University)  
2008    B.A. (Hons.), Area Studies (South Asia), Moscow State Institute of International  
Relations (MGIMO-University)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Refereed Journal Articles**

Zhirnov, Andrei, Lorenza Antonucci, Jan Philipp Thomeczek, Laszlo Horvath, Carlo D’Ippoliti, Christian Alexander Mongeau Ospina, André Krouwel, and Norbert Kersting. “Precarity and populism: Explaining populist outlook and populist voting in Europe through subjective financial and work-related insecurity.” Forthcoming in *European Sociological Review*. doi:10.1093/esr/jcad052

Zhirnov, Andrei, Mert Morál, and Evgeny Sedashov. 2023. “Taking Distributions Seriously: On the Interpretation of the Estimates of Interactive Nonlinear Models.” *Political Analysis* 31(2): 213-234. doi:10.1017/pan.2022.9

Shvetsova, Olga, Andrei Zhirnov, Frank Giannelli, Michael Catalano, and Olivia Catalano. 2022. “Governor’s Party, Policies, and COVID-19 Outcomes: Further Evidence of an Effect.” *American Journal of Preventive Medicine* 62(3): 433-437. doi:10.1016/j.amepre.2021.09.003

Shvetsova, Olga, Julie VanDusky-Allen, Andrei Zhirnov, Abdul Basit Adeel, Michael Catalano, Olivia Catalano, Frank Gianelli, Ezgi Muftuoglu, Dina Rosenberg, Mehmet Halit Sezgin, and Tianyi

Zhao. 2021. “Federal Institutions and Strategic Policy Responses to COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Frontiers in Political Science: Elections and Representation* 3:631363. doi:10.3389/fpos.2021.631363

Adeel, Abdul Basit, Michael Catalano, Olivia Catalano, Grant Gibson, Jason Means, Ezgi Muftuoglu, Tara Riggs, Mehmet Halit Sezgin, Olga Shvetsova, Naveed Tahir, Julie VanDusky Allen, Tianyi Zhao, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2020. “COVID-19 Policy Response and the Rise of the Sub-national Governments.” *Canadian Public Policy/Analyse de politiques* 46(4): 565-584. doi:10.3138/cpp.2020-101

Shvetsova, Olga, Andrei Zhirnov, Julie VanDusky-Allen, Abdul Basit Adeel, Michael Catalano, Olivia Catalano, Frank Giannelli, Ezgi Muftuoglu, Tara Riggs, Mehmet Halit Sezgin, Naveed Tahir and Tianyi Zhao. 2020. “Institutional Origins of Protective COVID-19 Public Health Policy Responses: Informational and Authority Redundancies and Policy Stringency.” *Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy* 4(1): 585-613. doi:10.1561/113.00000023

Zhirnov, Andrei, and Mariam Mufti. 2019. “The Electoral Constraints on Inter-Party Mobility of Candidates: The Case of Pakistan.” *Comparative Politics* 51(4): 519-554. doi:10.5129/001041519X15647434970045

Zhirnov, Andrei. 2019. “Decision Period and Duverger’s Psychological Effect: Evidence from India.” *Electoral Studies* 58: 21-30. doi:10.1016/j.electstud.2019.01.004

Moral, Mert, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2018. “Issue Voting as a Constrained Choice Problem.” *American Journal of Political Science* 62(2): 280-295. doi:10.1111/ajps.12342

Zhirnov, Andrei. 2016. “Electoral Coordination in India: The Role of Costly Campaign Communication.” *India Review* 15(4): 359-378. doi:10.1080/14736489.2016.1235937

Zhirnov, Andrei. 2016. “Campaigns, Information, and Coordinated Voting in Multi-Party Elections under Plurality Rule.” *Electoral Studies* 41: 190–201. doi:10.1016/j.electstud.2016.01.002

Best, Robin E., and Andrei Zhirnov. 2015. “Perils and Pitfalls of Ignoring Disproportionality’s Behavioral Component.” *Electoral Studies* 40: 256-267. doi:10.1016/j.electstud.2015.09.010

## Book Chapters

Adeel, Abdul Basit, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2023. “COVID-19 Response in India, Pakistan, And Bangladesh: Shared History, Different Process”. In *Government Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Between a Rock and a Hard Place* (ed. Olga Shvetsova). Abingdon, Oxon; New York, NY: Routledge.

Mershon, Carol, Olga Shvetsova, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2019. “Games and Uncertainty in U.S. Criminal Justice Systems.” In *Formal Modeling in Social Science*, by Carol Mershon and Olga Shvetsova, 155-184. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Zhirnov, Andrei. 2010. “Issues of Territorial Stability in India.” In “*Giant*”-States: *Problems of Territorial Stability*, eds. I.M. Busygina, L.V. Smirnagin, M.G. Filippov, 180-205. Moscow: MGIMO-University.

## Datasets

Shvetsova, Olga, Andrei Zhirnov, Abdul Basit Adeel, Mert Can Bayar, Onsel Gurel Bayrali, Michael Catalano, Olivia Catalano, Hyoungrohk Chu, Frank Giannelli, Ezgi Muftuoglu, Dina Rosenberg, Didem Seyis, Bradley Skopyk, Julie VanDusky-Allen, and Tianyi Zhao. 2022. “Protective Policy Index (PPI): global dataset of origins and stringency of COVID 19 mitigation policies.” *Scientific Data* 9: 319. doi:10.1038/s41597-022-01437-9. Dataset available at <https://github.com/COVID-policy-response-lab/PPI-data>.

## Other Publications

Shvetsova, Olga, Andrei Zhirnov, Frank Giannelli, Michael Catalano, and Olivia Catalano. 2022. “Can Correlation Between Governor’s Party and COVID-19 Morbidity Be Explained by the Differences in COVID-19 Mitigation Policies in the States?” *American Journal of Preventive Medicine* 62(6): e381-e383. doi:10.1016/j.amepre.2022.01.003.

Thomeczek, Jan Philipp, Norbert Kersting, André Krouwel, Susan Banducci, Lorenza Antonucci, Carlo D’Ippoliti, Andrei Zhirnov, Laszlo Horvath, Christian Mongeau. 2021. “Der Polit-Kompass: Eine neue VAA zum aufkeimenden Populismus.” *regierungsforschung.de*, Universität Duisburg-Essen.

<https://regierungsforschung.de/der-polit-kompass-eine-neue-vaa-zum-aufkeimenden-populismus/>

VanDusky-Allen, Julie, Olga Shvetsova, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2020. “COVID-19 Policy Response in Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico: Three Different National-Subnational Approaches.” *Duck of Minerva*, July 2, 2020.

<https://duckofminerva.com/2020/07/covid-19-policy-response-in-argentina-brazil-and-mexico-three-different-national-subnational-approaches.html>

VanDusky-Allen, Julie, Olga Shvetsova, and Andrei Zhirnov. 2020. “Brazilian Federalism and State Level Policy Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *The Blue Review*, June 17, 2020.

<https://www.boisestate.edu/bluereview/brazilian-federalism/>

Shvetsova, Olga, Andrei Zhirnov, Abdul Basit Adeel, Michael Catalano, Olivia Catalano, Hyoungrohk Chu, Garrett K. Dumond, Georgian-Marius Ghincea, Jason Means, Ezgi Muftuoglu, Tara Riggs, Almira Sadykova, Mehmet Halit Sezgin, Julie Vandusky Allen, and Tianyi Zhao. 2020. *Constitutional and Institutional Structural Determinants of Policy Responsiveness to Protect Citizens from Existential Threats: COVID-19 and Beyond*. Citizenship, Rights, and Cultural Belonging Working Paper No. 104. [https://orb.binghamton.edu/working\\_paper\\_series/4](https://orb.binghamton.edu/working_paper_series/4)

## WORK UNDER REVIEW

Zhirnov, Andrei, and Abdul Basit Adeel. “The Informal Economy and the Reach of Policy Interventions”

Zhirnov, Andrei, Lorenza Antonucci, Jan Philipp Thomeszek, Laszlo Horvath, Carlo D’Ippoliti, Christian Mongeau, André Krouwel, and Norbert Kersting. “Precarity, populism, and the squeezed middle: Explaining the populist outlook and populist voting in Europe through subjective financial and work-related insecurity.”

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Ever Considered (Not) Voting for a Party?” (with Mert Moral)

“Political Constraints on Corruption at Subnational Level: Theory and Evidence from Indian States” (with Dina Rosenberg)

“Obstacles to Executive Power: Institutional and Policy Constraints on Government Formation” (with Evgeny Sedashov and Mert Moral)

“Populist Distance: On the Ideological Congruence of Populist Parties and Their Voters” (with the PRECEDE team)

“Exploring and Explaining the Bias in Estimates with VAA-Generated Data” (with the PRECEDE team)

## HONOURS AND AWARDS

2018	Robert I. Hofferbert Award for the Best Graduate Student Paper, awarded for “Institutional Constraints on Coalition Formation” (with Evgeny Sedashov and Mert Moral)
2016, 2015	Polmeth Travel Award
2015, 2013	Graduate Student Employee Union Professional Development Awards
2014	Dissertation Year Fellowship
2014	Binghamton Foundation Travel Award
2014	Ali A. Mazrui Award to an International Graduate Student in the Political Science Department

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Exeter (instructor)	Quantitative Dissertations (UG) Data Analysis in Social Science II (UG) Quantitative Data Analysis (PG) Applied Quantitative Data Analysis (PG) Introduction to Bayesian Analysis (workshop) (a version of this workshop was published by the National Centre for Research Methods, <a href="https://www.ncrm.ac.uk/resources/online/all/?id=20765">https://www.ncrm.ac.uk/resources/online/all/?id=20765</a> ) Data Visualisation (PG)
Binghamton University (instructor)	Advanced Business Statistics (PG) Comparative Political Finance (UG) Asian Politics (UG) International Peacekeeping (UG)
Binghamton University (teaching assistant)	Introduction to Formal Theory (PG) Research Design and Statistics I (PG) Introduction to World Politics (UG)

## Introduction to American Politics (UG)

### SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Reviewed for the *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Canadian Public Policy*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *India Review*, *Journal of Elections*, *Public Opinion and Parties*, *Oxford Economic Papers*, *Political Science Research and Methods*

Organized the 2021 Exeter Q-Step/NCRM Research Methods Series

Discussant at the Annual Dr. Han-Jyun Hou Conference at Binghamton University, 2013, Public Choice Society meetings, 2013, 2014, 2015.

Conference Co-organizer (with Benjamin Farrer), *Parties and Party Systems*, Annual Dr. Han-Jyun Hou Conference at Binghamton University, May 31, 2013.

### PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

ECPR Joint Sessions of Workshops: 2023

ECPR General Conference: 2022

Polmeth Europe: 2021, 2022

Annual meetings of American Political Science Association: 2014, 2016, 2021

Advanced Research Colloquium: 2021

Binghamton University Data Salon: 2021

Annual meetings of Midwest Political Science Association: 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2021, 2022

Annual meeting of the Society for Political Methodology: 2015, 2016, 2018

Behavioral Models of Politics Workshop: 2017

Annual Graduate Student Conference on Political Economy, Alexander Hamilton Center, New York University: 2013, 2015

Annual meetings of Public Choice Society: 2013, 2014, 2015

World Congress of International Political Science Association: 2014

“Institutions in Context: Inequality” workshop, University of Tampere: 2013

Political Science Annual Dr. Han-Jyun Hou Conference, Binghamton University: 2012

### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2020-2022	Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice, University of Exeter
2012	Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute, Princeton University
2011	ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, Ann Arbor, MI
2009	Seminar “Theory and Methods of Political Science,” Prof. Stein U. Larsen (University of Bergen), Moscow State Institute for International Relations

## **SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY**

R, Stata, SAS, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, SQL, Git