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**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. in Economics**, University of California San Diego, 2022 (*expected*)

Committee: Eli Berman (co-chair), Michael Callen (co-chair), Paul Niehaus, Karthik Muralidharan, Craig McIntosh

**M.A. in Economics**, University of California San Diego, 2018

**B.A. in Economics with High Honors**, NRU Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, 2016

**REFERENCES**

Eli Berman	University of California San Diego	elib@ucsd.edu
Michael Callen	London School of Economics	m.j.callen@lse.ac.uk
Paul Niehaus	University of California San Diego	pniehaus@ucsd.edu

**FIELDS OF INTEREST**

Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics, Political Economy

**RELEVANT POSITIONS HELD**

**School of Global Policy and Strategy, UC San Diego**

Research Assistant for Professor Eli Berman, 2021

**Rady School of Management, UC San Diego**

Research Assistant for Professor Michael Callen, 2018–2020

**AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS**

IGCC Dissertation Fellowship, Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, UC San Diego, 2020–2021

Candidacy Fellowship, UC San Diego, 2019–2020

Clive Granger Research Fellowship *for the most promising graduate student research*, UC San Diego, 2019

Walter Heller Memorial Prize *for the best third-year paper*, UC San Diego, 2019

Harriman/Carnegie Research Grant, Columbia University, 2019 [\$20,000]

Department of Economics Research Grant, UC San Diego, 2019 [\$1,000]

Graduate Summer Research Fellowship, UC San Diego, 2017

Regents Fellowship, UC San Diego, 2016–2017

Faculty of Economic Sciences Travel Grant, NRU Higher School of Economics, 2016

Oxford Scholarship, Oxford Russia Fund, 2015–2016

Full Tuition Scholarship, NRU Higher School of Economics, 2013–2016

## WORKING PAPERS

“Watching the Vote: Are Transparency Technologies Good for Non-Democracy?”

(Job Marker Paper)

“Using Mobile Salary Payments to Reduce Corruption and Promote Financial Development in Afghanistan” (with Joshua Blumenstock, Michael Callen, Stefano Fiorin, and Tarek Ghani)

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Community Governance and Local Economic Activity” (with Dan Tavrov)

“Public Assistance and Citizen Reciprocity”

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Economics, UC San Diego

Economics of the Environment, Professor Augusto Nieto-Barthaburu (Spring 2020)

Data Analytics, Professor Margaret (Molly) Roberts (Spring 2018, Spring 2019)

Econometrics B, Professor Gordon Dahl (Winter 2018)

Introductory Economics, Professors Kate Antonovics (Fall 2017) and Oana Tocoian (Fall 2019)

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Conference and Seminar Presentations

2021: Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), Northwestern University; CSAE Conference, Oxford University; Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), UC San Diego; CREECA Young Scholars Conference, University of Wisconsin-Madison

2020: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), UC Berkeley; Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), Purdue University; Joint Applied Micro Workshop, UC San Diego; American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco; Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE) Annual Meeting, MIT

2019: Harriman/Jordan Workshop, Columbia University; Joint Applied Micro Workshop, UC San Diego

2018: Joint Applied Micro Workshop, UC San Diego

### Summer Schools

2016: The 27th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory on the Theory of Networks, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

2015: International Summer Program in Economics Education, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

### Referee Service

*Journal of Urban Economics*

## OTHER INFORMATION

**Technical Skills:** Causal inference, field/survey experiments, survey design, machine learning

**Computer Skills:** Stata, Python, R, SQL, Octave, MATLAB, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

**Certifications:** SQL for Data Science, Coursera, 2021; Applied Data Science with Python Specialization, Coursera, 2021; Python for Everybody Specialization, Coursera, 2020; Machine Learning, Coursera, 2020

**Languages:** English (fluent), Russian (native)

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