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Education

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

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

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

B.A., Economics (with high honors), NRU Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, 2016

Fields of Interest

Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics, Political Economy

Working Papers

“Watching the State: Can New Technologies Promote (a Sense of) Democracy?”

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

Work in Progress

“Community Governance and Local Economic Activity”

“Public Assistance and Citizen Reciprocity”

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

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

Conferences, Seminars, and Summer Schools

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 (*canceled due to COVID-19*)

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

2018: Joint Applied Micro Workshop, UC San Diego

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

Relevant Positions Held

Research Assistant, UC San Diego

Research Assistant for Professor Michael Callen, 2018 – 2020

Teaching Assistant, 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)

Other Information

Computer Skills: Stata, Python, R, Octave, MATLAB, \LaTeX , SQL

Languages: English (fluent), Russian (native)

Last updated: May, 2021