

# Elena Chechik

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## SUMMARY

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I am a researcher specializing in public policy in science and higher education, with a background in economics and econometrics. **Skills:** statistics, data collection, preprocessing, exploratory and statistical data analysis, textual analysis, and data visualization (R, Python).

## EDUCATION

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<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> <i>PhD, School of Public Policy</i>	Aug. 2025 – present
• Supervisor: Prof. Cassidy Sugimoto	
<b>University of Michigan</b> <i>ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods.</i>	Jul. 2024 – Aug. 2024
• Causal Inference II, Simultaneous Equation Modeling.	
<b>Higher School of Economics, Moscow</b> <i>Applied Econometrics Certificate.</i>	Jul. 2017 – Aug. 2018
• Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Spatial Econometrics.	
<b>Samara State Technical University</b> <i>Specialist Degree in Economics (MA equivalent). Diploma with distinction.</i>	Sep. 2006 – Jul. 2011
• Business Economics, Macroeconomics, Forecasting, Banking, Stock Market.	

## ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

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<b>Researcher, Department of Empirical Methods and Statistics</b> <i>Europa-Universität Flensburg, Germany.</i>	Sep. 2023 – Jul. 2025
• Project: Admission Restrictions and Inequality in Higher Education.	
<b>Researcher, Center for Institutional Analysis of Science &amp; Education</b> <i>European University at St.Petersburg, Russia.</i>	Jan. 2020 – Sep. 2023
• Projects: Gender Inequality in Science; Funding Policy Analysis.	
<b>Assistant Lecturer / Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics</b> <i>Samara State Technical University, Russia.</i>	Oct. 2014 – Dec. 2019
• Courses: Economics, Econometrics.	

## ARTICLES IN PEER REVIEW JOURNALS

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- **Chechik E.** (2024). “Gender Disparities in Research Fields in Russia: Dissertation Authors and Their Mentors.” *Scientometrics*. doi.org/10.1007/s11192-024-05018-y. Available at: rdcu.be/dHB39.
- Guba K., **Chechik E.**, Tsivinskaya A. O., & Buravoy N. (2024). “Global Ranking of Expertise about Russia.” *Problems of Post-Communism*. doi.org/10.1080/10758216.2024.2386995.
- **Chechik E.** (2023). “Parenthood and Gender in Russian Academia.” *Voprosy obrazovaniya* (in Russian). doi.org/10.17323/vo-2023-16337.
- Guba K., Zhelezov A., **Chechik E.** (2023). “Evaluating Grant Proposals: Lessons from Using Metrics as a Screening Device.” *Journal of Data and Information Science*. doi.org/10.2478/jdis-2023-0010.
- Sokolov M., **Chechik E.** (2022). “Academic Reputations of Russian Economists and Their Scientometric Assessments.” *Voprosy ekonomiki* (in Russian). doi.org/10.32609/0042-8736-2022-11-117-135.

## WORKING PAPERS

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- “Socioeconomic Inequality in Post-Secondary Transitions: The Causal Impact of Admission Reforms in Germany” (with Florian Hertel).
- “The Influence of Bilateral Relations on Scientific Research: The Case of U.S. Research on Russia” (with Carolina Coimbra Vieira and Victoria Di Césare).
- “Funded and unfunded science in Russia: A new dataset and longitudinal analysis” (with Katie Spoon, Vinicius Muraro, Xinzhe Li).
- “Global Organization of Russian Studies: Large-Scale Scientometric Analysis of Publications and Citations, 1990-2020”. Guba K., **Chechik E.**, Tsivinskaya A., & Buravoy N. (January 2024). [ssrn.com/abstract=4696769](https://ssrn.com/abstract=4696769).

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Beyond Sentiment Analysis with ChatGPT: Classifying Authors’ Perspectives on Russian Topics. Vieira C.C., **Chechik E.**, Di Césare V. *ISSI 2025*, Yerevan, Armenia.
- Social Inequality and Diversion at the Threshold to Post-secondary Education in Germany. **Chechik E.**, Hertel F. *ECSR 2024*, Barcelona, Spain.
- Gender, Parenthood, and Academic Performance: Work-life and Work-work Balance in Russian Academia. **Chechik E.** *STI 2023*, Leiden, Netherlands. [hellche.github.io/parenthood\\_HEI/](https://hellche.github.io/parenthood_HEI/).
- Uncovering Barriers for Women in Russian Grant Funding: Rejected and Supported Grant Applications. **Chechik E.** Poster Presentation at *STI 2023*, Leiden, Netherlands. [github.com/hellche/grant\\_applications](https://github.com/hellche/grant_applications).
- Gender Disparities in Academic Disciplines: An Attempt to Fill in the Blind Spots of Bibliometrics. **Chechik E.** Poster Presentation at *ISSI 2023*, Bloomington, US. [github.com/hellche/issi2023](https://github.com/hellche/issi2023).
- Dissertation Authors and Their Mentors: Can Gender Diversity in Russian STEM be Achieved? **Chechik E.** *STI 2022*, Granada, Spain. [zenodo.org/record/6956906](https://zenodo.org/record/6956906).
- Use of Scientometrics in Evaluation of Grant Proposals. Guba K., Zhelezov A., **Chechik E.**, Tsivinskaya A. *ISSI 2021*, Leuven, Belgium.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

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### RESPECT Doctoral Fellowship

Sep. 2023 – Sep. 2024

*Georgia Institute of Technology.*

- Mentorship program with Thema Monroe-White and Cassidy R. Sugimoto on intersectional inequalities in science.

### Grant for Junior Researchers for Policy Analysis Reports

Jan. 2020 – Nov. 2021

*Center for Advanced Governance, Moscow.*

- Project: *Gender Wage Gap Decomposition* (PI; approx. \$10,000).

### Fulbright Scholarship FFDP 2018–19

Aug. 2018 – Jan. 2019

*University of Massachusetts, Department of Economics, Boston.*

- Internship in feminist economics with Julie Nelson.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS & WORKSHOPS

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**Atlanta Academy on Science and Innovation Policy**, Georgia Tech (April 2024); **Science of Science Summer School**, SOS+CD Lab and School of Information Studies, Syracuse University (August 2022); **Experimental Economics Summer School**, Lab of Experimental and Behavioural Economics, Higher School of Economics, Moscow (August 2019).

## PEER REVIEWER

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**Journals:** Research Policy, PLOS One.

**Conferences:** International Conference on Science, Technology and Innovation Indicators.

## SKILLS

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**Tools:** R, Python, Stata, git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

**Languages:** English (advanced), Russian (native).