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My academic interests include *corporate governance*, *labor economics* and *determinants of innovation* from the institutional and resource-based perspectives. In my dissertation, I explored how the pursuit of shareholder-value by management has affected labor policies at large Japanese enterprises.


My current research project funded by the **JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists (B)** focuses on the market perception of corporate innovations in Japan.


EDUCATION

- 2018
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2015

- **Ph.D., Japanese Studies & Political Economy**
University of Tsukuba  Tsukuba, Ibaraki, JP
 - Dissertation: Japan's Corporate Governance Reforms. Effects on Corporate Dynamics and Labor-Related Repercussions
 - Grant: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT)
- 2015
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2014


- **M.A., International Area Studies**
University of Tsukuba  Tsukuba, Ibaraki, JP
 - Thesis: Stakeholder Model of Corporate Governance in Japan: Institutional Context of the 2002 Commercial Code Reform
 - Grant: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT)
- 2014
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2011

- **M.A., Global Political Economy**
University of Kassel  Kassel, Hessen, GER
 - Thesis: The Impact of the 'Companyist Compromise' on Japan's Financialization during 1980-90s
 - Grant: German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) / Open Society Foundations (OSF)
- 2011
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2007

- **B.A., Political Science**
National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy  Kyiv, UKR
 - Thesis: Formation of the Japanese Geopolitical Strategy through Cultural-Historical Factors
 - Grant: Ukrainian Ministry of Education

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020
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2019





- **Part-Time Lecturer**
Economics Department  Dokkyo University
 - "Introduction to Economics" (2nd-year students)
 - "Microeconomics" (3rd-year students)



OVERVIEW

Date of birth: 15 August 1990
Nationality: Ukraine
Gender: Male

CONTACT

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LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ukrainian (native)	
Russian (native)	
English (fluent)	
German (business level)	
Japanese (business level)	

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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Current
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2021



Postdoc

School of Economics & Management  Kochi University of Technology

- Conducting a research project on the impact of telework on productivity, creativity, and job satisfaction
- Conducting a research project on the relationship between HR policies and innovation at Japanese enterprises

Current
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2018



Collaborative Researcher

 German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ)

- Quantitative data analysis for the project related to Japan's economic and demographic tendencies
- Collaborative work on spatial data analysis, text mining and survey data analysis

2021
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2020



Part-Time Researcher & Admin Assistant

Business Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences

 University of Tsukuba


- Conducting a research project "Market Perception of Corporate Innovations in Japan"
- Supporting the Special Program in Japanese and Eurasian Studies (SPJES)

2019
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2018



Postdoc

Business Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences

 University of Tsukuba

- Working on the project "Japanese Employment Practices and Innovation Strategies"
- Providing academic support to the Master- and PhD-students at the International and Advanced Japanese Studies department

2018
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2015




Teaching Assistant

Business Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences

 University of Tsukuba

- International Political Economy II: The Politics of Development (1 April 2016 – 30 June 2016; 1 April 2017 – 30 June 2017; 1 April 2018 – 30 June 2018)
- Comparative Politics III: Public Policy and Management (1 October 2016 – 28 February 2017; 1 October 2017 – 28 February 2018)
- Introduction to Southeast Asian Studies (1 October 2015 – 20 December 2015)

- 2013 ● **Intern**
 Outreach Unit  UN Information Service (UNIS), Vienna, Austria
- Wrote reports for the UNIS website and for the UN intranet platform iSeek
 - Provided logistic support to UNIS consultants in the client countries (Hungary, Slovakia, Slovenia)
 - Helped with production of new teaching materials on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and post-2015 agenda



PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 ● **Impact of Shareholder-Value Pursuit on Labor Policies at Japanese Joint-Stock Companies: Case of Nikkei Index 400**
 The Japanese Political Economy. 35(2), 1-32
- Taylor & Francis Online
- 2017 ● **Corporate Governance Reforms in Japan: Instilling the New Regime**
 Cogent Business & Management. 4(1), 1-16
- Taylor & Francis Online



MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW AND IN PROGRESS

- 2021 ● **Does Tokyo Stock Exchange Appreciate Corporate Innovations? Role of Patents' Quality and Research Productivity**
 Preprint available as SocArXiv publication.
<https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/k4ys6>
- Under review
- 2021 ● **Sustainable Communities: Determinants of Municipal Fiscal Health in Japan**
 (co-authored with Franz Waldenberger)
- Work in progress



SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 ● **The Role of Labor Flexibility in the Pursuit of Innovation Strategies by Established Japanese Companies**
 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) 31st Annual Meeting
- New School, New York, U.S.
- 2017 ● **Impact of Shareholder-Value Pursuit on Labor Policies at Japanese Joint-Stock Companies: Case of Nikkei Index 400**
 Academy of International Business (AIB) Annual Conference
- Dubai, U.A.E.

- 2016 ● **Impact of Financialization on Labor Policies at Japanese Joint-Stock Companies: Case of Nikkei Index 400**
World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research (WINIR) Conference
• Boston, U.S.
- 2016 ● **Institutional Context of the Recent Corporate Governance Reforms in Japan**
Australia and New Zealand International Business Academy (ANZIBA) Conference
• University of Sydney, Sydney, AU



AWARDS & GRANTS

- 2022
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2019 ● **Japan Society for the Promotion of Science**
Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists (B)
• The Role of Labor Flexibility in the Pursuit of Innovation Strategies
- 2021 ● **European Commission**
Seal of Excellence
📍 Horizon 2020's Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions call H2020-MSCA-IF-2020
• The Role of Employment Policies and Corporate Governance in the Pursuit of Innovation Strategies: Comparative Analysis of France, Germany and Japan
- 2018 ● **Foundation France-Japan/SASE**
Best Paper Award 📍 Doshisha University, Kyoto
• Impact of Shareholder-Value Pursuit on Labor Policies at Japanese Joint-Stock Companies: Case of Nikkei Index 400
- 2018 ● **Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)**
Early Career Workshop Award
• Impact of Shareholder-Value Pursuit on Labor Policies at Japanese Joint-Stock Companies: Case of Nikkei Index 400



OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- Current
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2018 ● **Society Member**
• Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE)
• European Association for Japanese Studies (EAJS)

Current
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2017



Paper Reviewer

- Asian Business and Management (Palgrave Macmillan)
- Economics of Innovation and New Technology (Taylor & Francis Online)
- Cogent Business & Management (Taylor & Francis Online)

2020



Invited Lecturer

B.A. Program in Global Issues

📍 University of Tsukuba

- “Labor Market Dualism Across the OECD States”

2020



Invited Lecturer

Economics Department

📍 Dokkyo University

- “Developments in Japan’s Labor Market”

2019
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2018



Editor

- Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Newsletter

2018



Workshop Organizer

📍 German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ)

- “Introduction to R. Applications in Social Sciences”



LANGUAGE CERTIFICATES

2019



JLPT N2

Japanese Language Test

- Japan Educational Exchanges and Services (JEES)

2013



TestDaF 4 (C1)

German Language Test

- TestDaF-Institut

2011



TOEFL iBT: 109/120

English Language Test

- Educational Testing Service (ETS)



SOFTWARE SKILLS

Current
|
2017



R Programming Language

Statistical software

- Statistical analysis and visualization packages
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS) packages
- Text mining packages