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Appointments

Occidental College	2020–present
Associate Professor of Diplomacy & World Affairs (tenured)	
Director, Undergraduate Research Center	2024–present
Faculty Affiliate, Young Initiative on Global Political Economy	2020–present
Previous: Wellesley College (Assistant Professor, 2015–20); Harvard University, Davis Center (Center Associate, 2015–20); Columbia University, Harriman Institute (Postdoctoral Fellow, 2014–15)	

Education

Ph.D., Government , Cornell University	2015
M.A., Political Science , Villanova University	2007
B.A., Economics & International Relations , U. of Redlands (<i>summa cum laude</i>)	2005

Research Interests

International Political Economy; Russian and Eurasian Politics; Corruption and Global Finance; Democratic Backsliding; Energy Transitions and Geopolitics; Authoritarianism

Selected Publications

Book

(2021). *Global Finance, Local Control: Corruption and Wealth in Contemporary Russia*. Cornell Studies in Money. Cornell University Press.
▷ Winner, 2023 Best Book Award, International Political Economy Section, ISA

Edited Volume

(2024). *Global Perspectives on Judicial Politics and Democratic Backsliding. Law & Policy*. (co-editor with Michael Dichio)

Peer-Reviewed Articles

(2025). “Stewards, Defenders, Progenitors, and Collaborators: Courts in the Age of Democratic Decline.” *Law & Policy* 47(1): 1–12. (with Michael Dichio)

(2024). “‘Culture and Practice...Eat Documents for Lunch:’ Norms and Procedures in the 2020 Election Cases.” *Law & Policy* 46(3): 298–324. (with Michael Dichio)

- (2023). “Why did Financial Openness Reforms Succeed in Russia, but not in China?” *Russian Politics* 8: 48–75.
- (2020). “Authoritarian Welfare State, Regime Stability, and the 2018 Pension Reform in Russia.” *Communist and Post-Communist Studies* 53(1): 100–116.
- (2019). “Before the Interests Are Invested: Disputes Over Asset Control and Equity Market Restrictions in Russia.” *Review of International Political Economy* 26(4): 695–721.

Public Writing

- (2022). “Hundreds of Western Companies Quickly Exited Russia. Why Didn’t Putin See That Coming?” *Washington Post*.
- (2021). “Authoritarian Populism, Courts and Democratic Erosion.” *Just Security*. (with Michael Dichio)

Current Research

- Book project: *Catching the Sun: Winners, Losers, and the Hidden Politics of the Solar Revolution*

Selected Awards & Fellowships

- Best Book in International Political Economy, International Studies Association 2023
- Travel Grant, Institute for Humane Studies 2023
- Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Harriman Institute, Columbia University 2014–15

Teaching

Occidental College (2020–present): International Relations; Global Political Economy; Politics of Russia and Eurasia; Authoritarianism in the Age of Globalization; Global Energy Transitions; Qualitative Methods

Wellesley College (2015–20): International Political Economy; Introduction to International Relations; Politics of Russia and Eurasia; World Politics; Authoritarianism