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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Economics (primary) and Political Science (secondary) *Vanderbilt University*2021 – present

Nashville, TN

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics

University of California San Diego

La Jolla, CA

M.Sc. in Financial Economics

B.Sc. in Applied Mathematics and Information Science

Higher School of Economics

Moscow, Russia

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Political Economy, Information and Learning, Microeconomic Theory

WORKING PAPERS

Persuasion with Verifiable Information with Kun Zhang

Revision requested by the *Journal of Economic Theory*

Targeted Advertising in Elections

Revision requested by the AEJ: Microeconomics

Coalition-Proof Disclosure with Germán Gieczewski

PUBLICATIONS

Shopping Malls, Platforms and Consumer Search with Alexei Parakhonyak

International Journal of Industrial Organization, vol. 58, 2018, pp. 183–213

WORK IN PROGRESS

Manufactured Grievances and Regime Survival with Germán Gieczewski

Witholding Verifiable Information with Kun Zhang

Political Messaging and Voter Learning with Renee Bowen, J. Lawrence Broz, Santiago Cantillo-Cleves and Yung-Chun Chen

Revealed and Concealed Repression: Measurement, Deterrence, and Backlash with Emily Hencken Ritter and Mehdi Shadmehr

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INVITED TALKS

- 2025 OrgPol (Snowbird, UT); upcoming: Penn
- 2024 Penn State, Montréal Workshop in Misinformation, QMUL/City Workshop in Economic Theory, Wallis
- 2023 NBER Political Economy, LSE, Warwick, Essex, NYU, Columbia, UNC Chapel Hill, UC Riverside, Glasgow, SAET, MPSA, Berlin Workshop in Verifiability on Mechanism and Information Design
- 2022 Stanford GSB, CMU/Pittsburgh, CERGE-EI, CEU, Linz, Bilkent, VSET, SIOE
- 2021 University of Amsterdam, University of Manchester, Berlin School of Economics, CREST, Vanderbilt, Network Science and Economics, CIDE, SIOE, PolNetworks, SITE, Princeton
- 2020 CSQIEP, Bern, UC San Diego
- 2019 Young Economists Symposium, Economics Graduate Student Conference, UC San Diego
- 2018 SWET, UC San Diego
- 2017 Psychological Game Theory Ph.D. Summer School (Norwich, UK), UC San Diego

REFEREE SERVICE

American Economic Journal: Microeconomics (x1), AER: Insights (x2), American Journal of Political Science (x1), Economic Journal (x1), Economic Theory (x1), Journal of Law, Economics and Organization (x1), Games and Economic Behavior (x3), International Economic Review (x1), Journal of Politics (x1), Social Choice and Welfare (x3), Quarterly Journal of Political Science (x1)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY Instructor

Nashville, TN

• Econ 8000: Economics Ph.D. Math Camp [lecture notes]

Fall '22, '23

• Econ 4230 / Psci 3400: Political Economy of Elections [course website]

Spring '22, '23, '24 Fall '21

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO Instructor

La Jolla, CA

• Econ 1: Introductory Microeconomics

• Econ 3012: Intermediate Microeconomics

Summer 2020 (remote)

HIGHER SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

Moscow, Russia

Co-Instructor (with Alexis Belianin)

• Game Theory for Political Scientists (Graduate)

Winter 2015

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HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

UC San Diego Clive Granger Research Fellowship Prize	2020
UC San Diego Best Undergraduate Teaching by an Associate-In	2020
UC San Diego Summer Graduate Teaching Scholar	2020
UC San Diego Economics Department Candidate of Philosophy Fellowship	2019
UC San Diego International Travel Grant	2017, 2019
UC San Diego Graduate Summer Research Fellowship	2016, 2017
UC San Diego Regents Fellowship	2015 - 2018

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages: fluent English, native Russian
Programming: proficient in Python and MATLAB
Certifications: CFA Level I (December 2012)