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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics 2021
University of California San Diego La Jolla, CA

M.Sc. in Financial Economics 2015
B.Sc. in Applied Mathematics and Information Science 2013
Higher School of Economics Moscow, Russia

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Political Economy, Information and Learning, Microeconomic Theory

WORKING PAPERS

Targeted Advertising in Elections
Revision requested by the *AEJ: Microeconomics*

Revealed and Concealed Repression: Measurement, Deterrence, and Backlash with Emily
Hencken Ritter and Mehdi Shadmehr
Revision requested by the *American Political Science Review*

Coalition-Proof Disclosure with Germán Gieczewski

Witholding Verifiable Information with Kun Zhang and Denis Shishkin

PUBLICATIONS

Persuasion with Verifiable Information with Kun Zhang
Journal of Economic Theory, Forthcoming, 2025

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

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

INVITED TALKS

2025	OrgPol (Snowbird, UT), 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), International Journal of Game Theory (x1), Journal of Law, Economics and Organization (x1), Games and Economic Behavior (x5), International Economic Review (x1), Journal of Politics (x1), Review of Economic Studies (x1), Social Choice and Welfare (x3), Quarterly Journal of Political Science (x1)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY	Nashville, TN
Instructor	

- Econ 8000: Economics Ph.D. Math Camp [lecture notes] — Fall '22, '23, '25
- Econ 4230 / Psci 3400: Political Economy of Elections [course website] — Spring '22–'24, '26
- Econ 3012: Intermediate Microeconomics — Fall '21

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO	La Jolla, CA
Instructor	

- Econ 1: Introductory Microeconomics — Summer 2020 (remote)

HIGHER SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS	Moscow, Russia
Co-Instructor (with Alexis Belianin)	

- Game Theory for Political Scientists (Graduate) — Winter 2015

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)