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EDUCATION

Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark PhD in Political Science Dissertation topic: Morality politics and discrimination against trans* individuals	Expected in 2026
HSE University (National Research University Higher School of Economics), Moscow, Russia PhD in Social Psychology Completed courses on Advanced Research Methods, Philosophy and Methodology of Science. Dissertation topic: The role of dehumanization in discrimination of gay men and lesbian women in Russia	11.2021 – 12.2022
Central European University, Vienna, Austria MA in Critical Gender Studies, with Merit Thesis topic: Multifaceted bisexual subjectivity: narratives of bisexuals from Moscow, Russia Cumulative GPA: 3.65 (max. is 4.00)	2021
HSE University, Moscow, Russia BA in Psychology, state-funded student Thesis topic: Predictors for devaluation of women's bisexuality Minor in Sociology of culture Cumulative GPA: 8.09 (max. is 10.00)	2019
George Mason University, Washington DC, United States Study Abroad program Enrolled in following courses: Introduction to Women/Gender Studies, Queer Theory, Cross-cultural Psychology, Leadership Theory and Practice, Personnel Development	2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Summer School “Academic skills for students in humanities” at Letnyaa Shkola Organizing and conducting six reading seminars on decolonial knowledge production for students of various academic backgrounds [volunteer work]	08.2022
BA Thesis supervisor at HSE University Supervising one second year and two third year students with different gender-related topics	01.2022 – now
Seminar instructor – BA course “Social psychology” at HSE University Teaching offline seminar classes, grading assignments, providing consultations	01.2022 – 06.2022
Seminar instructor – MA course “Social psychology of prejudice” at HSE University Teaching online seminar classes, grading assignments, providing feedback	01.2022 – 06.2022
Seminar instructor – BA course “Psychology of interpersonal relationships” at HSE University Co-teaching offline seminar classes, grading assignments, providing consultations	09.2021 – 12.2021
Teaching assistant – BA course “Social psychology” at HSE University Assisting with grading, communicating with students regarding organizational questions	01.2019 – 05.2019

WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Aarhus University, CEPDISC PhD staff member Providing feedback, participating in discussions and workshops	02.2023 – now
HSE University, Lab of Social Inequality Research Assistant Leading 2 student research groups (setting milestones, providing consultations and feedback), creating questionnaires and overseeing data collection, conducting qualitative data analysis in R Studio (regressions, SEM, EFA, CFA), writing and editing manuscripts for publication, leading 2 workshop seminars	09.2021 – 01.2023
ECOPSY Consulting, Moscow, Russia Business Analyst Preparing and uploading questionnaires, conducting quantitative (descriptive statistics, means, factor analysis) and qualitative (content analysis) data analysis in R Studio and Microsoft Excel, visualizing and interpreting results for client reports, communicating with clients	11.2021 – 01.2023

HSE University

Research project “Sexism and violence: a meta-analysis”**05.2018 – 01.2019**

Data collection, selection, and structuring; co-writing sections of the manuscript

CONFERENCES

- “Moral foundations in political debates on transgender laws: a comparative analysis of the US Senate and UK House of Commons”*
Paper presentation, SISP Conference 2023, Genoa, Italy 2023
- “People without rights: the role of dehumanization and threat in discrimination of homosexual individuals”*
Online paper presentation, 17th European Congress of Psychology, Ljubljana, Slovenia;
published abstract available [here](#) (ISSN 2350-5141; abstract ref. number IP16-R-1) 2022
- “Adaptation of IRMA scale to Russian”*
Online paper presentation, International Scientific Conference “Lomonosov”, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia 2022
- “People with no rights: dehumanization of lesbian women and gay men in Russia”*
Online paper presentation, “Ananyevskie Chteniya 2021”, Saint-Petersburg, Russia 2021
- “Ambivalent sexism and violence towards women: a meta-analysis”*
Blitz presentation, 19th General Meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology, Krakow, Poland [Cancelled due to COVID-19] 2020
- “Essentialist attitudes towards lesbian women in Russia”*
Poster presentation, International Scientific Conference “Lomonosov”, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Balezina M.**, Zakharova S. (2024). Measuring Attitudes Towards Rape in Russia: Translation and Validation of the Illinois Rape Myths Acceptance Scale. *Current Psychology* [accepted for publication], doi: 10.1007/s12144-023-04666-2
- Agadullina E.R., Lovakov A.V., **Balezina M.**, Gulevich O. A. (2022). Ambivalent sexism and violence towards women: a meta-analysis. *European Journal of Social Psychology*, doi: [10.1002/ejsp.2855](#)
- Balezina M.**, Agadullina E. (2022). *Devaluation of women’s bisexual identity: the role of gender, sexuality, and ambivalent sexism*. WP BRP Series: Psychology. <https://wp.hse.ru/data/2022/11/12/1727876113/133PSY2022.pdf>

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

- Program in Linguistics, Cognitive and Cultural Studies*
2-week Virtual NYI #4 school, The New York – St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics, Cognition and Culture and Stony Brook University 2022
- Leadership course for early-career female researchers*
2-week online course, University of York, UK 2022
- “Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion”*
6-week online-course from “Svobodny Universitet” (Free University), Russia 2020
- Summer School of Humanities and Social Sciences*
6-week online school on research methods and current theoretical issues in humanities, “Letnyaya Shkola” (Summer School), Russia 2020
- Summer School of Data Analysis in Social Science and Humanities*
1-week offline school on data visualization in R Studio, “Letnyaya Shkola” (Summer School), Russia 2019

LANGUAGES

Russian: native
English: fluent
French: basic