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EDUCATION	**Stanford University**, Stanford, CA, USA	
	Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science	2020–Present
	M.A. in Economics	2024
	Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology, Economic History	
	Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia	
	M.A. in Sociology	2019
	B.A. in Political Science *(with honours)*	2017

WORK
IN PROGRESS

"Reading Orwell in Moscow: the Full-Scale Invasion of Ukraine and the Market for Political Ideas in Russia"

"Establishing a Parliament: the Political Economy of Elections in Late Imperial Russia" (with Eugenia Nazrullaeva)

WORKING
PAPERS

"Peasant Commune and the Demand for Land Titling in Imperial Russia", 2025

"Immigrant Knowledge and the Growth of American Agriculture: the Case of Russian Germans" (with Jennifer Kowalski), 2024

PUBLICATIONS

"Ethnic-Specific Infant Care Practices and Infant Mortality in Late Imperial Russia" (with Timur Natkhov). *Economic History Review*, August 2023, 76 (3): 783–806.

"Skilled Immigrants and Technology Adoption: Evidence from the German Settlements in the Russian Empire" (with Timur Natkhov). *Explorations in Economic History*, July 2021, 81.

GRANTS AND AWARDS	**Stanford University**	
	The Europe Center Graduate Student Grant	2025
	CREEES Graduate Conference Travel Grant	
	King's Center for Global Development Exploratory Grant	2021
	Explorations in Economic History	
	Larry Neal Prize for the Best Article in EEH	2022
	Higher School of Economics	
	Best Instructor Award	2020
	Student Academic Fellowship	2017, 2019

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CONFERENCES AND TALKS	MPSA, EHA (scheduled)	2025
	Virtual Workshop in Historical Political Economy	2024
	Lewis Lab Graduate Student Workshop, Manchester	
	MPSA, SIOE, EPSA	
	APSA	2023
	Summer Workshop in the Economic History and Historical Political Economy of Eurasia, Paris	
	ASREC Graduate Student Workshop "Introduction to the Economics of Religion", Chapman University	2022
	Summer Online Workshop in the Economic History and Historical Political Economy of Russia	2020
	Baltic Connections: Conference in Social Science History, Helsinki	2019
	The Second Ghent Russia Colloquium, Ghent	2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Stanford University

Data Science for Politics	Fall 2024
Solving Social Problems with Data	Spring 2024
Math Camp for Political Scientists	Summer 2023, 2024
Political Methodology III: Model-Based Inference	Spring 2022, 2023
Strategy: Introduction to Game Theory	Winter 2023

Higher School of Economics

Probability and Statistics	Spring 2019, 2020
Game Theory	Fall 2018, 2019
Introduction to R	Spring 2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Stanford University

Research Assistant to Professor Vicky Fouka	2023
Research Assistant to Professor Stephen Haber	2022

Higher School of Economics

Research Assistant at the Center for Institutional Studies	2016–2020

MEMBERSHIP American Political Science Association (APSA), Economic History Association (EHA), European Political Science Association (EPSA), Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA), Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE)

SERVICE

Organizer: Historical Social Science Workshop, Stanford University	
Co-organizers: Vicky Fouka and Emily Russell	2024–2025
Co-organizers: Emily Russell and Theo Serlin	Spring 2023

SKILLS R, Python, QGIS, Stata, SPSS, LaTeX
Archival data collection
Languages: German (advanced), Spanish (beginner), Russian (native)