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EMPLOYMENT Hertie School, Berlin, Germany

Postdoctoral Associate, Data Science Lab, 2021-current

Postdoctoral Associate and Academic Coordinator of Data and Methodology Center,

SCRIPTS Cluster of Excellence, 2021-current

EDUCATION University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, USA

Ph.D., Political Science, 2020 M.A., Political Science, 2018

Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology

Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

M.A., Political Science, 2014 (with honors) B.A., Political Science, 2012 (with honors)

Research Interests Decentralization, local politics, local efficiency, public goods provision, institutions in autocracies, political economy of development, historical legacy, causal inference, deep learning, image-as-data and computer vision

Publications

"The Importance and Peculiarities of Archival Work in Political Science", *Comparative Politics Newsletter*, Fall 2019, XXIX(2) 5-11.

Working Papers "Devolution, Local Efficiency, and Resource Allocation: Evidence from Russian Cities"

"Mayors' Resource Allocation Choices: Evidence from Topic Models of Procurement Contracts Information" (Available Upon Request)

"Indirect Rule and Public Goods Provision: Evidence from Colonial India"

"Self-Governance and Regional Voting Salience: Evidence from 1917 Elections in Russia" (Available Upon Request)

Work in Progress

"Causes and Consequences of the Governors' Survival: Evidence from Russian Regions" (with Randall Stone)

"The trump of discord: visual information and affective polarization of media" (with Elena Sirotkina)

"Mayors as Brokers of Regime: Evidence from Budget Transfers in Russia"

"Regions in time of plague": the COVID-19 challenge to Russian regional healthcare systems" (with Elena Sirotkina)

"When States Debate: The UN General Debate and the Use of Text Analysis in Interna-

tional Relations" (with Niheer Dasandi and Slava Jankin)

"Finding and Accounting for Separation Bias in Strategic Choice Models" (with Casey Crisman-Cox, Curtis Signorino)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE Research Assistant to Professor Randall Stone, 2019-2020 Research Assistant to Professor Anderson Frey, 2018 Research Assistant to Professor Alexander Lee, 2016

Research Assistant at Laboratory of Quantitative and Qualitative Methods for Political Regimes Research, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, 2014-2015

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards Hertie School Faculty Activity Fund, AY 2021/22 (EUR 14 550) "The trump of discord: How nontextual information grows affective polarization in democratic and non-democratic world" - Supervised by Slava Jankin, collaboration with Elena Sirotkina

Dean's Post-Field Research Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2020-2021 (Spring 2021 - declined) (\$20 000)

Carnegie/Harriman Research Grant, Columbia University, 2020 (\$16 000)

Beck Research Grant, University of Rochester, 2019 (declined)

The Harriman Institute, Columbia University, Travel Grant, 2019 (\$2 250)

Watson Field Work Grant, University of Rochester, 2019 (\$1 600) Summer Seed Field Work Grant, University of Rochester, 2018 (\$3 000) Second Year Paper Lanni Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2017 (\$1 100)

PEPR Research Grant, University of Rochester, 2016 (\$1 100)

Oxford Russian Fund Fellowship, Higher School of Economics, 2010-2012

Best Lecturer at Political Science Department Award, National Research University Higher School of Economics, 2013-2014

Golden HSE Award - "Silver Nestling", National Research University Higher School of Economics, 2012

Conferences and Talks

APSA 2018, 2019, 2020; MPSA 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019, 2020 (canceled), 2021; EPSA 2021 2021: Wisconsin Russia Project Young Scholars Conference, ICSID Annual Conference, Higher School of Economics, Political Economy Lunch Seminar - Hertie School (scheduled), Women in Political Methodology Speaker Series (scheduled) 2019: Joint Harriman Institute (Columbia) and Jordan Center (NYU) Graduate Student Research Workshop, ICSID Annual Conference, Higher School of Economics, Summer Workshop in Russian Economic History and Historical Political Economy, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Teaching Experience University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, USA

Teaching Assistant: Introduction to Comparative Politics (Fall 2018), The Politics of Terrorism (Fall 2018), Poverty and Development (Spring 2018), Elections in Developing Countries (Fall 2017)

Higher School of Economics, Moscow

Instructor: Causal Inference, 2014-2015

Teaching Assistant: Probability and Statistics (2013-2014), Quantitative Methods in Political Science (2012-2015)

Languages English (fluent), German (intermediate), Russian (native)

AND SKILLS R, Python, Stata, SQL, ArcGIS, QGIS, LATEX, HTML5/CSS and JavaScript (basic)

MEMBERSHIP APSA, MPSA, EPSA, ASEEES

Department Service Coordinator from Hertie School, CIVICA Data Science Seminar Series, 2021-

Organizer and Coordinator, Data Science Summer School, Hertie School & SCRIPTS, 2021

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Coordinator, Women's Working Group, URPSD, 2018-2019 Graduate Assistant, UR Internships in Europe Programme, 2017

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