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Education	<p>University of Rochester, Rochester, NY Ph.D., Political Science, 2015-current M.A., Political Science, 2018 Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology</p> <p>Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia M.A. Political Science, 2014 (with honors) B.A. Political Science, 2012 (with honors)</p>
Research Interests	Decentralization, local efficiency, public goods provision, institutions in autocracies, political economy of development, historical legacy, causal inference, machine learning
Working Papers	<p>“Indirect Rule and Public Goods Provision: Evidence from Colonial India” (<i>Under Review</i>);</p> <p>“How to Provide? Trade-Off of the Local Officials: Evidence from the Russian Cities”;</p> <p>“Decentralization and Ethnic Voting Salience: Evidence from 1917 Elections in Russia”</p>
Work In Progress	<p>“Mayors as Brokers of Regime: Evidence from Inter-Level Budget Transfers in Russia”</p> <p>“Causes and Consequences of the Governors’ Survival: Case of Russia” (with Randall Stone);</p> <p>“Burn for Money or Burning Money: Evidence from the Zemstvo Insurance Policy”;</p> <p>“Local Public Goods in India”(with Alexander Lee)</p>
Research Experience	<p>Research Assistant to Professor Randall Stone, 2019</p> <p>Research Assistant to Professor Anderson Frey, 2018</p> <p>Research Assistant to Professor Alexander Lee, 2016</p> <p>Research Assistant at Laboratory of Quantitative and Qualitative Methods for Political Regimes Research, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, 2014-2015</p>
Awards and Fellowships	<p>University Fellowship University of Rochester, 2015–present</p>

Additional Fellowships and Grants

- The Harriman Institute, Columbia University, Travel Grant, Summer 2019
- Watson Field Work Grant, University of Rochester, January-February 2019
- Summer Seed Field Work Grant, University of Rochester, Summer 2018
- Second Year Paper Lanni Fellowship, University of Rochester, Summer 2017
- PEPR Research Grant, University of Rochester, Fall 2016
- 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; MPSA 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019; ICSID Annual Conference, Higher School of Economics (2019); Summer Workshop in Russian Economic History and Historical Political Economy, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2019)
Teaching Experience	University of Rochester Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Comparative Politics, Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, The Politics of Terrorism, Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, Poverty and Development, Spring 2018 Teaching Assistant, Elections in Developing Countries, Fall 2017 Higher School of Economics, Moscow Instructor, Causal Inference, 2014-2015 Teaching Assistant, Probability and Statistics, 2013-2014 Teaching Assistant, Quantitative Methods in Political Science, 2012-2015
Languages and Skills	English (fluent), German (intermediate), Russian (native) R, Python, Stata, SQL, ArcGIS, QGIS, L ^A T _E X, HTML (basic)
Memberships	American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association
Department Service	Coordinator, Women’s Working Group, URPSD, 2018-current Graduate Assistant, UR Internships in Europe Programme, 2017

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