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Education University of Rochester

Ph.D., Political Science, 2015-current

M.A., Political Science, 2018

Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology

Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

M.A. Political Science, 2014

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

Research Decentralization, local efficiency, public goods provision, institutions in autocracies, political economy of development, historical legacy, causal inference, machine learning

Working "Indirect Rule and Public Goods Provision: Evidence from Colonial India" Papers (Under Review);

"How to Provide? Trade-Off of the Local Officials: Evidence from the Russian Cities"; "Decentralization and Ethnic Voting Salience: Evidence from 1917 Elections in Russia"

Work "Causes and Consequences of the Governors' Survival: Case of Russia" (with Randall Stone);

"Burn for Money or Burning Money: Evidence from the Zemstvo Insurance Policy";

"Local Public Goods in India" (with Alexander Lee)

Research Assistant to Professor Randall Stone, 2019
Experience 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

Awards and University Fellowship

Fellowships University of Rochester, 2015–present

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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, LATEX, HTML (basic)

Memberships

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

Department Service

Coordinator, Women's Working Group, URPSD, 2018

Service Graduate Assistant, UR Internships in Europe Programme, 2017

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