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EDUCATION

**University of California, Berkeley**, Department of Political Science, Berkeley, California *2017–*

PhD(*Doctor of Philosophy*)in Political Science

MA(*Master of Arts*)in Political Science with Distinction *2017–2019*

*Subfields*: Comparative Politics, Eastern Europe and Post-Soviet Studies, Methodology and Formal Theory

*Affiliations*: Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ISEEES), Historical Social Science Workshop  
*Organizations*: APSA (Comparative Democratization, Politics & History), Association of Slavic Studies (ASEEES)  
*Conferences*: APSA (2017, 2019), Summer Workshop in the Historical Political Economy of Russia (2019)

**European University at St. Petersburg**, International Programs, St. Petersburg, Russia *2016–2017*

MA (*International Master of Arts*)in Russian and Eurasian Studies (IMARES)

*Awards*: Recipient of the Leonard Lauder Fellowship 2016-2017, Dean’s List

*Conferences Attended*: Critical Issues in the Research of Contemporary Russian Politics (Helsinki, Finland)

**University of Pennsylvania**, College of Arts and Sciences, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania *2012–2016*

BA (*Bachelor of Arts*) in History with Honors, Minor in Political Science

*Awards:* Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude, Rose Award for Undergraduate Research, Dean’s List

*Study Abroad*: University College London, UK (Archival Research) *2014–2015*

TEACHING

PS 3: Introduction to Empirical Analysis and Quantitative Methods – Professor Jason Wittenberg  *2019*

PS 2: Comparative Politics – Professor Steven Fish  *2019*

PS 141C: Politics and Government in Eastern Europe – Professor Jason Wittenberg  *2018*

THESES

“Democratization out of State Capacity: State-Bureaucrats and Reform in the Russian Empire” *2019*

*MA Thesis, University of California, Berkeley*

“Engineering Russian Imperial Electoral Law: Inventing Minority Representation 1904–1906” *2017*

*MA Thesis, European University at St. Petersburg*

FELLOWSHIPS

Title VIII Fellowship, University of Indiana, Summer Russian Language Workshop *2018*

Title VIII Fellowship, Arizona State University, Summer Critical Languages Institute *2019*

Hertelendy Graduate Fellowship in Hungarian Studies *2019*

Institute of International Studies Pre-Dissertation Research Grant *2019*

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

ISEEES Graduate Student Training Grant – Jason Wittenberg *2018, 2019*

“Kompromat” – Andrew Little *2019*

INITIATIVES

Berkeley Historical Social Science Workshop, Co-Founder *2019-2020*