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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Authoritarian Politics Lab, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

Associate Director and Post-Doctoral Fellow, 2023-

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University

Raphael Morrison Dorman Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow, 2022-2023

Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, New York University

Post-Doctoral Fellow, 2021-2022

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Michigan, 2021

Dissertation: "Protest Mobilization, Concessions, and Policy Change in Autocracies"

Major: Comparative Politics, Minor: Political Methodology

Committee: Pauline Jones (chair), Mary Gallagher, Anne Pitcher, Dan Slater

M.A., Russian, Eurasian and Eastern European Regional Studies, Columbia University, 2013

B.A., Slavic Studies, Columbia University, 2009

summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa; departmental honors

RESEARCH

Research Interests

Comparative politics, authoritarianism, institutional politics, protest, repression, authoritarian responsiveness, urban politics, mixed methodology, Russian and post-Soviet politics

Peer Reviewed Publications

with Jessica Sun, "Crisis bargaining, domestic politics and Russia's invasion of Ukraine", Conflict Management and Peace Science, 2024

"Reneging and the Subversion of Protest-Driven Policy Change in Autocracies", Democratization, 2024

"Anti-Opposition Crackdowns and Protest: Belarus, 2000-2019,' Post-Soviet Affairs, 2022

Working Papers

"Authoritarian Information Gathering Amid Crisis"

"Authoritarian Governors, Performance Incentives, and Excessive Repression"

"The Dynamics of Policy Protest in High-Capacity Autocracies"

"Concessions and Differential Demobilization in Autocracies"

Recent Non-Peer Reviewed Publications:

"A War with No End in Sight", Dissent Magazine, April 28 2023

"The Evolving Concerns of Russians After the Invasion of Ukraine: Evaluating Appeals to the Presidential Administration", PONARS Policy Memos, February 27 2023

"A promise unfulfilled: why Russia lacks massive antiwar protests", Meduza, February 13 2023

"How Putin's regime stifled anti-war protests in Russia", The Guardian UK, March 10 2022

Grants, Fellowships & Awards

Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy & Autocracy, APSA Democracy & Autocracy Section, 2022

Nominee, ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2021

PhD Candidate Graduate Student Research Grant, Rackham Graduate School, Univ. of Michigan, 2020, \$3,000.

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation, 2020, \$18,720.

Sangunett Fellowship, Department of Political Science, Univ. of Michigan, 2019, \$10,000.

Harriman Institute Research Grant for Ph.D. Students in the Social Sciences, Carnegie Corporation and Harriman Institute, Columbia University, 2018, \$12,000.

International Institute Student Fellowship, International Institute, Univ. of Michigan, 2018, \$7,000.

Meyer Award for Research Funding, Department of Political Science, Univ. of Michigan, 2018, \$3,000.

Pre-Candidate Graduate Student Research Grant, Rackham Graduate School, Univ. of Michigan, 2017, \$1,500.

Rackham Summer Award, Rackham Graduate School, Univ. of Michigan, 2016, \$8,000.

Departmental Research Grant, "Measuring Propensity of Individual Anti-Government Protest Behavior in Autocracies," Department of Political Science, Univ. of Michigan, with Kirill Kalinin, 2015, \$2,000.

Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies Graduate Fellow, Univ. of Michigan, 2014-2015, \$23,000.

PepsiCo Research Travel Fellowship, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, 2013, \$2,200.

INVITED TALKS

"Data on Contemporary Authoritarianism", Carolina Science Cafe, Morehead Planetarium and Science Center and Sigma Xi, October 2024

Invited talk with Graeme Robertson, "Learning Session: Impacts of authoritarianism in Europe on policy and politics", Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, April 2024

Invited talk, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, United States Department of State, March 2023

New Voices on Eurasia, Program on New Approaches to Research and Security in Eurasia (PONARS Eurasia), Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, March 2023

"The Dynamics of Policy Protest in High-Capacity Autocracies", University of Delaware, December 2022; University of Toronto, February 2021

Roundtable on Lobbying the Autocrat, Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies, University of Michigan, January 2022

"No Final Victories: How Reneging Affects Concessions to Low-Capacity Protest Campaigns in Moscow, Russia", Jordan Center for the Advanced Study of Russia, NYU, and the Higher School of Economics, December 2021

"The Limits of Repression: Uprising in Belarus", Havighurst Center for Russian & Post-Soviet Studies and the Menard Family Center for Democracy, Miami University, October 2020

"Flashpoint: Belarus", panel, Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies, University of Michigan, September 2020

"Belarus Rising: The Roots and Routes of Revolution", *panel*, King's Russia Institute (King's College London), Comparative Authoritarianism Protest Research Network (University of Manchester), the Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOiS), and the Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies (University of North Carolina), August 2020

TEACHING

University of Michigan

Coercion in Autocracies, teaching assistant to Professor Mai Hassan, Winter 2017

Introduction to Comparative Politics, teaching assistant to Professor Ron Inglehart, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

Feminist Political Thought: What is "Women's Liberation"?, teaching assistant to Dr. Bonnie Washick, Winter 2016

Independent Research Mentor, 2017-2019

Professional Activities & Service

Service to the Profession

Guest editor, "Lobbying the Autocrat", Democracy and Autocracy, Volume 19(3), December 2021

Service to the University

Undergraduate Thesis Reader, University of Michigan, 2019, 2021

Graduate Student Associate, Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, University of Michigan, 2018-2021

Co-founder and organizer, Authoritarianism Reading Group, University of Michigan, 2016-2018

Member, Professional Development Committee, University of Michigan, 2016-2017

Chair, Political Science Graduate Students' Women's Caucus, University of Michigan, 2016-2017

Additional Training

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods and Syracuse University, 2017

Teaching Writing in the Disciplines, Sweetland Center for Writing, University of Michigan, 2016

Big Data Camp, Interdisciplinary Committee on Organizational Studies, University of Michigan, 2015

Miscellaneous

Languages: Russian (advanced proficiency in speaking, reading, writing); French (intermediate proficiency in reading)

Research Experience Abroad: Russia (interviews)

Programming Languages: R, LATEX
Non-Academic Speaking Engagements:

Television: BBC News UK

Radio: BBC Radio 5; Wisconsin Public Radio; The Leonard Lopate Show, WNYC

Podcasts:

"Who Can Stop a Dictator?: Resistance to the War in Ukraine", Epicenter "Putin's Plan Backfires", The Price of Conviction: Encounters with Political Prisoners

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