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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Fellow, Columbia University, Harriman Institute, 2019-2021

George F. Kennan Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 2018-19

Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Rochester, Skalny Center, 2018-19

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Government, Georgetown University, 2018

Comparative Politics, Political Economy, Political Methodology

Dissertation: *States within Markets. Elites, Institutions and the Politics of Privatization-Nationalization Waves*

Master of Arts in Russian and East European Studies, Georgetown University, 2012

Master of Science in Global Governance and Diplomacy, University of Oxford, 2008

B.A., Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iasi, Romania, 2007 (valedictorian)

Political Science; European Studies

Erasmus Scholarship at Sciences Po, Lille

**Research Areas:** Economic Policy Reversal, Populism and Economic Nationalism, Economic Development, Corruption and Inequality, European, Eastern European and Russian Politics, Political Methodology

## SCHOLARSHIP

### Book

2010 *The Energy Dimension in the EU-Russian Relations* (Bucharest: Institutul European, 2010) Published in Romanian, original title *Relația Uniunea Europeană-Rusia. Problema energetică*

### Peer reviewed publications

2015 "Baikonur, Bagys and the Legacy of Soviet-Era Territorial Leases in Contemporary Central Asia", *Cambridge Central Asian Reviews*, University of Cambridge (vol. 1, no. 1, pp. 1-18)

2012 "Being a Jewish Writer in Second World War Bucharest. The case of Mihail Sebastian" in *Slovo*, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London, (vol. 24, no. 1, pp. 3-18)

2011 "A Problem of Consolidation. Moldovan Democracy and Regime Change from Independence to the "Twitter Revolution,"" *Romanian Journal of International Relations and Security Studies* (vol. 1, no. 2, November 2011)

- 2009 "Threads in the Canvas. Pipeline Politics and the Economization of the Russian Foreign Policy in the Black Sea Region", *Journal of Asian and East European Studies*, (vol. 1, no. 1, April 2009, pp. 25-40)

### Chapters in books

- 2012 "Global Governance in Contemporary Politics", chapter in the *International Relations Textbook*, Andrei Miroiu and Radu-Sebastian Ungureanu, eds. (Bucharest: Polirom, 2012)
- 2008 "Dissensions and Incertitudes. European Union-Russia Dialog in Transition", chapter in *International Relations. World of yesterday, world of tomorrow*, Paul Nistor, ed. (Iasi: Pim and the International Relations Association Est-Democratia, 2008, pp. 230-244)

### Working papers

- "Ties that Bind: The Impact of Tied Aid on Development," with Desha Girod, under review
- "Corruption: Quantity or Consequences?," with Harley Balzer, under review
- Privatization, Nationalization and Back Again. The Politics of Economic Policy Reversal*, book manuscript
- "Early childhood nutrition, institutional support and development. Methodological innovations in surveying childhood development," with Harold Alderman and Jed Friedman, under review
- "Offshore Protection: Evidence from the Yukos Precedent and the Moscow Stock Exchange," with Nik Kalyanpur, under review
- "Property Rights in the Aftermath of Conflict. The Impact of the India-Pakistan Partition on Property Claims in Karachi," with Rabea Kirmani
- "Bringing the State Back In. Populism and Economic Policy Reversal in Eastern Europe"
- "The China-Russia Corruption Conundrum," with Harley Balzer
- "Place Matters. Economic Geography and Populist Voting in Europe," with Kate McNamara
- "The Left Behind: Emigration, Political Brain Drain, and Support for Far-Right Parties in Europe," with Abe Newman and Filip Savatic
- "The social origins of economic nationalism. Public opinions on transition reforms and the rise of populism"

## AWARDS

### External Awards

- 2019 APSA Small Research grant through the Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs (\$ 2500)
- 2019 Eurolab Grant at the GESIS Leibnitz Institute for the Social Sciences (\$ 5000)
- 2019 George F. Kennan Fellowship, Woodrow Wilson Center (\$ 12000)
- 2018 F.A. Hayek Program for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (\$ 3000)
- 2017-18 Adam Smith Fellowship (\$ 10000)
- 2017 National Science Foundation (NSF) travel grant (\$ 1500)
- 2017-18 Humane Studies Fellowship (\$ 15000)
- 2017 Harriman Institute at Columbia University travel grant (\$ 2250)
- 2016 National Science Foundation (NSF) travel grant (\$ 1500)
- 2015 PhD Scholarship from the Institute for Humane Studies (\$ 1500)

- 2011 Kathryn Davis Fellowship for Peace (\$ 10000)
- 2007-08 Chevening Scholarship from the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Open Society Foundation for graduate work at Oxford University (\$ 30000)
- 2006 European Union Erasmus Mobility Fellowship to study at the Institute for Political Science (Sciences Po), Lille (\$ 2500)

### Internal Awards

- 2016-17 The Jill Hopper Memorial Fellowship, Georgetown University
- 2017 Dissertation Research Grant, Department of Government, Georgetown University (\$5000)
- 2016 Dissertation Research Travel Grant, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Georgetown University (\$ 5000)
- 2016 Georgetown University Fellowship for the Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMMR) Summer Program offered by the Department of Government (\$ 5000)
- 2015 Georgetown University Graduate Student Organization Teaching Assistant Award for assisting in the PhD statistics course *Analysis of Political Data*
- 2014 Georgetown University Fellowship for the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research offered by the Department of Government (\$ 5000)
- 2014 Georgetown University Summer Research Award (\$ 2000)
- 2012-17 Georgetown Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship, PhD fellowship
- 2012 Georgetown University Conference Travel Award (\$ 1000)
- 2011 Center for Eurasian, Russian and East European Studies summer research grant (\$ 2000)
- 2010-12 Georgetown Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship, graduate fellowship for the MA in Russian and East European Studies
- 2003-07 Alexandru Ioan Cuza University Study Award

### Conference Presentations

- American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019<sup>1</sup>
- International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
- Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (PolMeth), 2016, 2017
- International Political Economy Society (IPES), 2019
- Midwest Political Science Conference (MPSA), 2014, 2015, 2019, 2020
- The Ideational Approach to Populism: Consequences and Mitigation, IE University in Segovia, Spain, 2019
- ISA/FLACSO, Quito, Ecuador, 2018
- Sixth Annual ICSID Conference, "Political Economy of Development: Exiting the Middle Income Trap," Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, June 2017
- Association for Slavonic, Eastern European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Annual Convention, 2016
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference (SPSA), 2015
- Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN) Conference "Security, Democracy and Development in the Southern Caucasus and the Black Sea Region," Istanbul, Turkey, 2012

<sup>1</sup> I only include conferences at which I presented one or more papers.

## Invited talks

Columbia University, Harriman Institute, 2019, *The Economic Dimension of Populism*

Leibnitz Institute for Social Sciences, 2019

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 2019, *Current Russian Influence on Politics in Europe*

University of Rochester, 2019, *Brexit, the Rise of Populism and the Future of Europe*

Georgetown University, 2016, Political Economy Faculty Seminar

Georgetown Quantitative Models, 2016, *Advanced Topics in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X*

George Washington University, 2016, Comparative Politics Workshop

Georgetown Quantitative Models, 2015, *Advanced Visualization Techniques in R*

Georgetown Quantitative Models, 2014, *Accelerated Introduction to L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X*

## Work and Research Experience

- 2018-19 Quantitative Researcher, World Bank Development Research Group (Poverty and Inequality Team)
- 2017-18 Editorial Assistant for *International Organization (IO)*, responsible for replication of accepted quantitative papers
- 2015-16 Professor Angela Stent, Researcher on Russian foreign policy
- 2016-18 Professor Desha Girod, Statistical researcher on international aid and economic development
- 2015-16 Professor Jenny Guardado, Statistical researcher on insurgencies and conflict funded by a grant from the Office of Naval Research and the University of Chicago
- 2015 Professor Bill Gormley, Statistical researcher for Georgetown University Center for Research on Children in the US (CROCUS)
- 2013-15 Professor Harley Balzer, Qualitative research on Russian regional development and corruption in Russia and China
- 2014 Expert coder for the *Varieties of Democracy* Project, Boston University

## Additional Research Skills

Languages: Romanian (native), French (fluent), Russian (advanced), Spanish (advanced), Italian (intermediate), Portuguese (intermediate)

Field work: Hungary, Romania, Moldova, Poland, Ukraine, Russia, Germany

Technical skills: Statistical Packages (R, STATA, SPSS, Mplus, Python), Applications (L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, common Windows software) and mapping in ArcGIS, STATA and R

Methods Training: Ordinary Least Squares Regression, Generalized Linear Models, Time Series Analysis, Game Theory, Scaling and Dimensional Analysis, Advanced Bayesian Models, Text-as-Data, Survey Analysis

Additional Training: Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMMR) Summer Program and the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, Middlebury College Russian Summer School

## TEACHING

### Columbia University

Instructor of record, *Populism in Europe and the World* 2020

### University of Rochester

Instructor of record, *Political Economy of Developing Countries* 2018

Instructor of record, *Populism in 21st Century Politics* 2019

### Georgetown University

Instructor of record, *States and Markets: Linking Political Institutions and Economic Outcomes* 2016

Instructor of record, *Theories of International Relations* 2015

Instructor of record, *PhD Math Camp* for Government Department doctoral students 2015, 2016, 2017

Teaching Assistant, *Comparative Political Systems* 2013, 2014, 2015

Teaching Assistant, *Analysis of Political Data* (PhD statistics seminar), received the 2015 Georgetown Graduate Teaching Award 2014

Teaching Assistant, *Russian Foreign Policy* 2013, 2014, 2016

Teaching Assistant, *Environmental Policy* 2013

### Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iasi, Romania

Teaching Assistant, *Politics of the European Union* 2010

Teaching Assistant, *Theories of International Relations* 2009

Teaching Assistant, *European Union Institutions* 2009

## SERVICE

REVIEWER *International Studies Quarterly*

2019-20 Language Exchange Fellow, International House NY

2019-20 Chair of the Postdoctoral Working Group, Harriman Institute, Columbia University

2015-16 Treasurer of the Government Department's Women's Caucus

2014-15 Graduate Student Organization Dissertation Writing Boot Camp Drill Instructor

2013-15 Chair of the Georgetown University Political Science Graduate Working Group

2014-15 President of the Georgetown Quantitative Models, treasurer (2013 - 2014)

2013-14 Treasurer of the Georgetown's Graduate Political Science Association

2012-16 Georgetown CRITICS (Current Research on Issues and Topics In Comparative Scholarship) discussant for Anna Grzymala-Busse, Melani Cammett, Desha Girod, Laia Balcells, and Sona Golder

## REFERENCES

The following professors can write letters on my behalf.

Professor Marc Morjé Howard, Georgetown University, mmh@georgetown.edu

Professor Harley Balzer, Georgetown University, balzerh@georgetown.edu

Professor Erik Voeten, Georgetown University, [ev42@georgetown.edu](mailto:ev42@georgetown.edu)

Professor Hans Noel, Georgetown University, [hcn4@georgetown.edu](mailto:hcn4@georgetown.edu)

Professor Desha Girod, Georgetown University, [dmg78@georgetown.edu](mailto:dmg78@georgetown.edu)

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