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Research Specializations

Comparative politics, political economy, development, Eurasian politics, energy and environment, qualitative methods

Current Academic and Professional Appointments

9/18-present	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science	
9/12-8/18	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science	
5/17-present	Harvard University, Research Associate, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies	
7/11-7/12	Smith College, Lecturer, Department of Government	
8/11-8/12	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Lecturer, Department of Political Science	
9/10-5/11	Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC,	
	Title VIII Research Scholar	
9/09-8/10	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Lecturer, Department of Political Science	
9/00-6/02	Brookings Institution, Research Assistant, Foreign Policy Studies Program	
Education		
2000	University of California Dayleslay DhD in Dalitical Caionas	

2009	University of California, Berkeley, PhD in Political Science
1999	Stanford University, MA in International Policy Studies (IPS), BA in International Relations

Publications

Book

Order at the Bazaar: Power and Trade in Central Asia, Cornell University Press, August 2017.

- Awarded Honorable Mention for the Global Development Studies Section Book Award from the International Studies Association (2018)
- Awarded Honorable Mention of the Ed A. Hewett Book Award from the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (2018)
 - Reviewed in *Perspectives in Politics* 16:3 (September 2018): 871-3 by Noah Coburn
 - Reviewed in *Slavic Review* 77:3 (Fall 2018): 760-2 by Johann Engvall
 - Reviewed in *Central Asian Affairs* 8 (2018): 373-87 by Scott Radnitz, Philipp Schroeder, and Jennifer Murtazashvili and including author response to reviews

Peer Reviewed Academic Articles

[&]quot;Property, Lawfare, and the Politics of Hope in Weak States," Polity 51:1 (January 2019): 3-34.

[&]quot;Manufacturing and Migration in Eurasia," Europe-Asia Studies 70:10 (December 2018): 1668-88.

- "A Production Network in a Predatory State: Export-oriented Manufacturing at the Margins of the Law," *Review of International Political Economy* 25:2 (2018): 169-189.
- "New Shopowners in Old Buildings: Spatial Politics of the Apparel Sector in Kyrgyzstan," (with Aisalkyn Botoeva), *Post-Soviet Affairs* 33:3 (2017): 235-53.
- "Sewing to Satisfaction: Craft-based Entrepreneurs in Contemporary Kyrgyzstan" (with Aisalkyn Botoeva), *Central Asian Survey* 32:4 (2013): 487-500.
 - Republished in *Kyrgyzstan Beyond 'Democracy Island and Failing State'* edited by Marlene Laruelle and Johan Engvall (Lexington Books, 2015).
- "Bazaar Politics: The Fate of Marketplaces in Kazakhstan," *Problems of Post-Communism* 55: 6 (November/December 2008): 42-53.

Selected Recent Fellowships and Grants

2018	NCEEER Research Grant, (\$19,000), awarded in April 2018
2017	UMass Seed Grant, with PI Eve Vogel, Geosciences (\$10,000 for team in total)
2017	UMass Publication Subvention Award (\$3,000 to publisher for book)
2015, 2016, 2017	UMass MSP Research Support Fund (\$1,000 each year)
2015	UMass Center for Teaching Micro Mutual Mentoring Grant (\$1,200)
2013	UMass Amherst SBS Research Grant (\$6,000)
2012, '13, '15, '16	UMass Amherst Center for Teaching FLEX Grant (\$500 each year)
2013	Mellon-Funded Five College Summer Faculty-Student Seminar, MA (\$3,500)

Teaching at UMass Amherst (since 2012)

<u>Undergraduate:</u> PS281: Introduction to Comparative Political Economy (lecture); PS383: Energy Politics (IE seminar course); PS394CI: Central Asian Politics (IE seminar course).

Graduate: PS791: Political Economy Proseminar; PS792: Debating Development

Departmental Service

Leadership Roles

Jan 2017-June 2018 Comparative Politics Subfield Clerk

Sept 2013-May 2018 Political Economy Working Group (Department of Political Science) Co-Convener

Member, Ad-hoc Committees

Spring 2018	Political Science Search Committee for Department Chair
Spring 2015	Political Science Search Committee for Department Chair
Spring 2014	Political Science Mid-tenure Review Committee
Fall 2013	Political Science Comparative Politics Search Committee
Fall 2012	Political Science/Near Eastern Studies Joint Search Committee

Member, Standing Committees

2014-2018	Undergraduate Studies Committee, Political Science Department
2016-2017	Personnel Committee, Political Science Department (elected)
2013-2014	Personnel Committee, Political Science Department (elected)

Member, Exam Committees

Comparative Politics Field Exam (nine students); Contemporary Theory Exam (three students); Interdisciplinary Comp Exam (one student); Dissertation Committees (five current students + one graduate).

[&]quot;Securing Property in Contemporary Kyrgyzstan," Post-Soviet Affairs 24:2 (April – June 2008): 149-176.

Member of Other Committees

MA in Translation Studies (one student); Honors Thesis (two students); Internship (one student)

University and Five-College Service

Member and Participant in the Five Colleges

2012-2018	Five-College Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies (meetings about 1x/semester)
2012-2018	UMass Amherst Steering Committee for the Russian, East-European and Eurasia major
	(meetings about 2x/semester)

Member, Ad-hoc Committees at UMass Amherst

Spring 2017	Boren Fellowship	Interview	Committee	(International	Programs O	ffice)
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Fall 2017 Fulbright and Truman Fellowship Interview Committee (International Programs Office)

Recent Selected Professional Service

Editorial Board Member

2018-2021 Nationalities Papers

Conference Committee Organizer

2015-present	Eurasia section program organizer for panels and best graduate student paper at the Annual
	Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) Conference
2018-2019	Division 13 Politics of Communist and former Communist Societies co-chair for Annual
	American Political Science Association (APSA) conference

External Panel Reviewer

2017	American Councils for International Education (ACTR/ACCELS) - Title VIII Research
	Fellowship Program application for dissertation research to be conducted in Central Asia

Selection Committee Member

Selection Con	imittee Member
2014-2015	Best Graduate Student Paper on Central Asian Studies for publication in Central Asian Affairs
2015	Best Graduate Student Paper Presented at the Annual Central Eurasian Studies Society
	(CESS) Conference
2017	Biannual Public Outreach Award from the Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) invited
	to be a selection committee member by the President of the organization

Coordinator and Moderator (Consultant)

9/11-5/13 Kennan Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C. "Spotlight on Central Eurasia" Speaker Series, Organizer and Host

Journal Reviewer

Ab Imperio, American Political Science Review, Central Asian Affairs, Central Asian Survey, Demokratizatsiya, Eurasian Geography and Economics, Nationalities Papers, New Political Science, Perspectives on Politics, Post-Soviet Affairs, Problems of Post-Communism, Public Culture, World Politics

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association (APSA); International Studies Association (ISA); Central Eurasian Studies Association (CESS); Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES); Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN); Society for the Advancement for the Socio-Economics