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Education	Higher School of Economics Ph.D. in Political Science	2019
	European University at St. Petersburg M.A. in Political Science, summa cum laude	2014
	Petrozavodsk State University Specialist in Political Science, summa cum laude	2012
Academic Employment	European University at St. Petersburg Political Science Department <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>Senior Lecturer</i>	2018 –
Previous Positions	Higher School of Economics (St. Petersburg) Department of Political Science <i>Assistant Professor</i> <i>Senior Lecturer</i> <i>Lecturer</i>	2013–2020
Research Interests	Electoral authoritarianism, electoral systems, electoral manipulation, local politics, Russian politics	
Publications	<i>Peer-reviewed journal articles</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Countering the ‘Sweep Effect’: Opposition Voter Coordination versus Electoral System Effects in Authoritarian Local Elections [with Grigorii V. Golosov]. <i>Communist and Post-Communist Studies</i> (forthcoming).2. Smart Enough to Make a Difference? An Empirical Test of the Efficacy of Strategic Voting in Russia’s Authoritarian Elections [with Grigorii V. Golosov]. <i>Post-Soviet Affairs</i> 37, no. 1 (2021): 65–79.3. Electoral Engineering in the Russian Regions (2003–2017). <i>Europe-Asia Studies</i> 72, no. 1 (2020): 80–98.4. Why Are There so Many or so Few Parties? Factors of Party System Fragmentation in the Russian Regions. <i>Problems of Post-Communism</i> 65, no. 4 (2018): 233–242.	

5. [The Rise and Fall of Local Self-Government in Petrozavodsk](#). *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization* 25, no. 2 (2017): 155–174.
6. [Veto Players and Major Electoral Reforms in Russia](#) [with Sergey Shevchuk]. *Russian Politics* 1, no. 2 (2016): 203–221.

Peer-reviewed journal articles in Russian

1. [City-Council Elections in Russia’s Regional Capitals, 2014–2018: Self-Nominess and Factors of Their Success](#) [with Tatiana Tkacheva]. *Politicheskaiia nauka* no. 1 (2019): 147–164.
2. [Electoral Reforms in Comparative Perspective](#). *Politicheskaiia nauka* no. 1 (2018): 283–300.
3. [Casual Mechanism vs. Pile of Facts: How to Evaluate Casual Links in Case Study Research](#) [with Margarita Zavadskaya]. *Polis: Politicheskii Issledovaniia* no. 2 (2017): 134–146.
4. [Factors of Party Systems Fragmentation in the Russian Regions \(2003–2013\)](#). *Politiia* 77, no. 2 (2015): 38–53.
5. [Electoral Thresholds at the Regional Parliamentary Elections in Russia: Explaining the Variations](#). *Vestnik Permskogo Universiteta. Serii: Politologiya* no. 1 (2015): 68–83.
6. [From Mixed to Majoritarian? On the Logic of Regional Electoral System Changes in Modern Russia](#). *Politiia* 73, no. 2 (2014): 84–96.

Working papers

1. [The Rise and Fall of Local Self-Government: The Case of Petrozavodsk](#). *Higher School of Economics Research Paper No. WP BRP 37/PS/2016* (2016).
2. [Executive Branch and Major Electoral Reforms in Russia](#) [with Sergey Shevchuk]. *Higher School of Economics Research Paper No. WP BRP 31/PS/2015* (2015).

Book reviews in Russian

1. [Electoral Malpractices around the World](#). *Polis: Politicheskii Issledovaniia* no. 5 (2020): 186–191.
2. [Why Fair Elections Matter](#). *Polis: Politicheskii Issledovaniia* no. 5 (2015): 186–191.

Policy and popular writings

1. [The 2020 Regional Elections in Russia: A Rehearsal for the 2021 Duma Elections](#). *Russian Analytical Digest* no. 262, 30 December 2020.

2. [The ‘Smart Vote’ Effect Outside Moscow and St. Petersburg: An Analysis of Russian Subnational Elections of September 2020](#). *Electoral Malpractice, Cyber-Security, and Political Consequences in Russia and Beyond (ElMaRB)*, 5 November 2020.
3. [Unpacking the Results of the Russian Elections of Sept. 13](#). *Riddle*, 23 September 2020.
4. [How Smart Is Smart Voting?](#) [with Grigorii V. Golosov]. *Riddle*, 13 August 2020.
5. [Putin’s Fundamental Amendment](#). *Riddle*, 25 June 2020.

Awards

Higher School of Economics

Personal award for the best teaching 2018
 Personal award for the scientific work 2016, 2018

Fellowships

Indiana University–Bloomington

Russian Studies Workshop
Visiting Research Fellowship October–November 2017

Conference Talks

Association for Slavic, East-European and Eurasian Studies

Only Loyals Left Alive? Self-Nominees and Factors of Their Success in Russia’s Local Elections 2019
 The Puzzle of Electoral System Engineering in the Russian Regions, 2003–2016 2017

Higher School of Economics (St. Petersburg)

When Self-Nominated (Independent) Candidates Win? An Analysis of Legislative Campaigns in Regional Capital Cities 2014–2018 2019
 Casual Mechanism vs. Pile of Facts: How to Evaluate Casual Links in Case Study Research 2016
 Everything is in Hand: Russian Regional Party Systems in 2003–2013 2015

Perm State University

Logic of Electoral Engineering in the Russian Regions (2003–2016) 2017

European University at St. Petersburg

Does Electoral Engineering Matter at the Subnational Level? Peculiarities of Electoral System Changes in the Russian Regions 2016

University of Tartu

The Failed Cooptation of Local Government: The Case of Petrozavodsk 2016

European Consortium for Political Research

Factors of the Party System Fragmentation in the Russian Regions (2003–2013) 2015

Courses Taught	European University at St. Petersburg	
	Elections and Institutional Engineering (G)	2019–2020
	Introduction to Data Analysis (G)	2019–2020
	Higher School of Economics (St. Petersburg)	
	Political Parties and Electoral Systems (U)	2014–2018, 2020
	Quantitative Methods in Political Science (U)	2017–2019
	Research Seminar (U)	2013–2018
	Introduction to Political Science (U)	2014
Peer Reviewer	<i>Communist and Post-Communist Studies, Problems of Post-Communism, Regional & Federal Studies, Polis: Politicheskii Issledovaniia</i>	
Professional Associations	ASEEES (2017–2019)	
Languages	Russian (native), English	
Tools	R, Stata, L ^A T _E X	