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## **CURRENT POSITION**

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Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, September 2016–present

## **PAST POSITIONS**

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Visiting Fellow, Aleksanteri Institute – Finnish Centre for Russian and Eastern European Studies, University of Helsinki (mid-May–mid-July 2017)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (2014–2016)

Fellow, Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg (Institute for Advanced Study), Delmenhorst, Germany (April–June 2015)

Visiting Scholar, Forschungsstelle Osteuropa–FSO (Research Centre for East European Studies), University of Bremen, Germany (February–June 2015)

Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison (2011–2013)

## **EDUCATION**

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**PhD, Sociology**, New School for Social Research (2014)

Dissertation: “A Soviet Middle Class and the Twilight of Socialism: Discourses of Politics and Culture in the Two Decades before Perestroika” (advisor: Andrew Arato)

**MA, Society and Politics**, University of Lancaster, UK (at Central European University, Prague, Czech Republic)

**BA/MA, Sociology**, Moscow State University (Moscow, Russia)

**Fields of Specialization**: political sociology, cultural sociology, comparative-historical sociology, social theory

**Research and Teaching Interests**: political and economic liberalizations; democracy and capitalism; political culture and civil society; social movements; political protest and culture; class, culture, and consumption; sociological theory; socialist and post-socialist history, politics, and culture in Europe and Eurasia

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Academic Articles and Essays (\* peer-reviewed)

2017. “A Closed Society? Repression and Countermovement in Russia,” *Trajectories: Newsletter of the ASA Comparative and Historical Sociology Section* 29(1):20–24
- \*2015. “This Is What Democracy Sounds Like: Protest Performances of the Citizenship Movement in Wisconsin and Beyond.” *Social Movement Studies* 14(6):635–650
- Short list, *Social Movement Studies* Best Article Prize for 2015
2014. Review of *Rethinking Class in Russia* edited by Suvi Salmenniemi. *Laboratorium: Russian Review of Social Research* 6(1):130–132
2012. “A Middle Class without Capitalism? Socialist Ideology and Post-Collectivist Discourse in the Late-Soviet Era.” Pp. 43–66 in *Soviet Society in the Era of Late Socialism, 1964–1985*, ed. by Neringa Klumbyte and Gulnaz Sharafutdinova. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books
- \*2010. “The Soviet Communist Party and the Other Spirit of Capitalism.” *Sociological Theory* 28(4):377–401
- Winner, 2012 First Article Prize in Social Sciences, Council for European Studies
  - Honorable mention, 2011 Edward Shils–James Coleman Memorial Award for Best Student Paper, Theory Section, American Sociological Association
2008. Review of *From Elections to Democracy: Building Accountable Government in Hungary and Poland* by Susan Rose-Ackerman. *Constellations* 15(4):592–596

### Public Scholarship (selected)

- “Big Is Beautiful Again in Russia: The Return of the Bolshoi Theater,” November 28, 2011 (<http://www.deliberatelyconsidered.com/2011/11/big-is-beautiful-again-in-russia-the-return-of-the-bolshoi-theater/>)
- “The Wisconsin Protests: Cairo on the Isthmus?” February 19, 2011 (<http://www.deliberatelyconsidered.com/2011/02/the-wisconsin-protests-cairo-on-the-isthmus/>)
- Attacks on the Press in 2000: A Worldwide Survey by the Committee to Protect Journalists*, Chapters on Azerbaijan, Belarus, Hungary, Moldova, Romania, and Ukraine. New York: CPJ, 2001
- “Policing the News: Putin’s New Information Security Doctrine Harks Back to the Bad Old Soviet Days,” *CPJ Briefing*, September 22, 2000
- “The Dorenko Affair: Why Putin Fired Boris Berezovsky’s Favorite Attack Dog,” *CPJ Briefing*, September 22, 2000
- (with Danielle Lussier and Robert Orttung) *The Republics and Regions of the Russian Federation: A Guide to Politics, Policies, and Leaders*. New York: M. E. Sharpe, 2000

## **ACADEMIC AWARDS**

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- Short list, Best Article Prize for 2015, *Social Movement Studies* journal
- Winner, First Article Prize in Social Sciences, Council for European Studies, 2012
- Honorable mention, Edward Shils–James Coleman Memorial Award for Best Student Paper, Theory Section, American Sociological Association, 2011
- Winner, Suzanne Langer Prize for Best Student Paper, Section on the Sociology of Culture, American Sociological Association, 2009
- Runner-up, Graduate Student Essay Contest, Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference, 2008
- Winner, Reinhard Bendix Best Student Paper Award, Section on Comparative and Historical Sociology, American Sociological Association, 2007
- New School Eberstadt Dissertation Fellowship, Academic Year 2004–2005
- New Social Science Training Fellowship, Transregional Center for Democratic Studies, New School for Social Research, Fall 1999

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- “Protest Movements and the Culture of Democratic Liberty: The Example of Street Mobilization in Russia, 2011–2012,” American Sociological Association, August 2017; Seventh Annual Young Scholars Conference, Center for the Study of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame, IN, May 2016
- “Tocqueville on the Barricades: Searching for the Culture of Democratic Liberty at Russian Protests,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, November 2015; 2015 Collective Behavior and Social Movements Workshop, August 2015; American Sociological Association, August 2013
- “This Is What Democracy Sounds Like: Protest Performances of the Citizenship Movement in Wisconsin and Beyond,” 2015 Collective Behavior and Social Movements Workshop, August 2015; Social Science History Association, November 2014
- “The Politics of Smallest Things: How the ‘Lazy, Cowardly, and Selfish’ Changed the Soviet Union,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, November 2016; Research Center for East European Studies, University of Bremen, Germany, May 2011; Center for Contemporary History, Potsdam, Germany, April 2011; Midwest Sociological Society, April 2010
- “Making Its Own Gravediggers: Post-Collectivist Values and the End of Socialism,” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, November 2008
- “Professor Pipe-Fitter: The Old New Soviet Man,” Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference, March 2008

- “Middle Class without Capitalism? Socialist Ideology and Post-Collectivist Discourse in Late Soviet Union,” Havighurst Center for Russian and Post-Soviet Studies, Miami University, OH, October 2007; American Sociological Association, August 2007
- “Socialist Consumer Society and a New Soviet Man—Worlds Apart? Consumption Discourse in the Soviet Union,” Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association, May 2006; Association for the Study of Nationalities, March 2006
- “Revenge of the Superstructure: Did Socialist Ideology Create a Middle Class in the Soviet Union?” Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference, April 2006
- “Constitution Writing Process in Russia and Brazil: The Role of the State in Shaping Federal Systems,” Transregional Center for Democratic Studies, New School for Social Research, December 1999
- “Russia’s Ad Hoc Asymmetric Federalism: Pre-Modern, Irrational, and Disintegrating,” Association for the Study of Nationalities, April 1999

## **TEACHING**

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### **Instructor of Record**

- “Social Movements,” University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016 (advanced-undergraduate and graduate level)
- “The Soviet Jewish Experience,” University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2018, Fall 2017 (intermediate-undergraduate level; Department of Sociology and Center for Jewish Studies)
- “Classical Sociological Theory,” University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Fall 2012, Spring 2011 (undergraduate and non-sociology graduate level)
- “The Sociological Enterprise,” University of Wisconsin–Madison, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016 (elementary-undergraduate level)
- “China in Transition,” University of Wisconsin–Madison, Spring 2019 (undergraduate directed study)
- “Thinking about Society,” Eugene Lang College, Fall 2001 (undergraduate level)

### **Teaching Assistant**

- “Social Thought I: Social Change,” New School for Social Research, Fall 2007, Fall 2006
- “World Cultures: Russia between East and West,” New York University, Spring 2007, Spring 2006
- “World Cultures: Russia since 1917,” New York University, Spring 2004, Spring 2003, Spring 2002

## **RESEARCH / NON-PROFIT EXPERIENCE**

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**Research Assistant**, New School For Social Research, New York, 2001–2002

**Research Associate for Europe and Asia**, Committee to Protect Journalists, New York, 2000–2001; (acting **Program Coordinator** June–August 2000)

**Research Analyst**, EastWest Institute, New York, 1997–2000 (based in Moscow, Russia, and New York)

**Assistant Research Analyst**, Open Media Research Institute, Prague, Czech Republic, 1995–1997 (based in Prague, Czech Republic, and Moscow, Russia)

## **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

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- Member of the Undergraduate Awards Committer, Fall 2020–present
- Member of the Evaluation and Improvement of Instruction (Teaching Awards) Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2018–Spring 2019
- Member of the Undergraduate Curriculum, Program Planning & Assessment Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2016–Spring 2019
- Member of the Conney Conference on Jewish Arts Planning Committee, Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2018
- Member of the Greenfield Institute Planning Committee, Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016, 2017
- Member of the Committee on Academic Staff Issues, College of Letters and Sciences, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2017–Summer 2019
- Academic Staff Assembly District Representative, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Fall 2017–Summer 2019
- Academic Staff Assembly District Alternate, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Spring 2017

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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- Coeditor, *Laboratorium: Russian Review of Social Research*, May 2011–present
- Editorial Board member, *Sociological Theory*, January 2018–present
- Presider, refereed roundtable “Tactics and Repertoires,” Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, American Sociological Association, August 2017
- Discussant, panel on “Zionism between East and West,” one-day symposium of scholars from Tel Aviv University and University of Wisconsin–Madison, Tel Aviv, Israel, January 2017
- Application evaluator, European Institutes for Advanced Study (EURIAS) Fellowship Programme, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

- Presenter, webinar “Getting Published in Slavic and Eurasian Studies: Dos and Don’ts of Academic Journal Publishing,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, May 2016
- Organizer and presenter, roundtable “Getting Published in Slavic and Eurasian Studies 1: Dos and Don’ts of Academic Journal Publishing,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Philadelphia, PA, November 2015
- Coorganizer, panel on “Paradoxes and Meanings of Work and Leisure in Brezhnev’s Soviet Union,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Washington, DC, November 2011
- Organizer, panel on “State and Individual under Brezhnev: The Cultural Contradictions of Late Socialism and Their Consequences,” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia, PA, November 2008
- Discussant, panel on “Center-Periphery Relations in Putin’s Russia,” Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, NY, April 2008
- Occasional discussant, “Scapes and Grapes” Student Work-in-Progress Workshop, Department of Sociology, New School for Social Research, 2007–2009
- Manuscript reviewer for *Sociological Theory*, *Mobilization*, *Social Forces*, *Political Power and Social Theory*, *Theory and Society*, *Post-Soviet Affairs*

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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- American Sociological Association; sections on sociology of culture, political sociology, comparative-historical sociology, theory, collective behavior and social movements
- Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies
- George L. Mosse/Laurence A. Weinstein Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison
- Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia, University of Wisconsin–Madison