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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Princeton University	2016–today Expected completion: July 2022
M.A. in Economics, Princeton University	2018
B.A. in Economics, HSE & NES <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> , Best Thesis Award	2016
Visiting Undergraduate Student, Harvard University	2015

Publications

3G Internet and Confidence in Government (with Sergei Guriev and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya).

Quarterly Journal of Economics, forthcoming.

Media coverage: The Economist, VoxEU, EBRD Transition Report 2019-2020 (p. 30-31), World Economic Forum, Marginal Revolution.

Happiness Convergence in Transition Countries (with Sergei Guriev).

Journal of Comparative Economics, 2018, 46 (3): 683-707.

War, Inflation, and Social Capital (with Sergei Guriev).

American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings, 2016, 106 (5): 230-235.

Media coverage: The Moscow Times, RBC (in Russian).

Working Papers

Gangs, Labor Mobility, and Development (with Carlos Schmidt-Padilla and Maria Micaela Sviatschi).

Media coverage: The Economist, Probable Causation, VoxDev, Marginal Revolution.

Censorship, Propaganda, and Political Popularity.

Professional Activities

Seminar and conference presentations: Princeton CHW-RPDS seminar, Princeton Political Economy Colloquium, 16th Media Economics Workshop, 4th Economics of Media Bias Workshop, ESOC 2019 Annual Meeting, University of Chicago and London School of Economics Conference on the Economics of Crime and Justice (2019), WEAI 94th Annual Conference, 2019 APSA Annual Meeting, 2019 APPAM Fall Research Conference, EBRD Office of the Chief Economist seminar series (2020), Bocconi University guest lecture (2021).

Seminar organizer: Princeton Political Economy Colloquium (2018-2021).

Referee: *American Economic Review: Insights*, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, *Economics of Transition*.

Honors and Awards (selected)

Prize Fellowship in the Social Sciences	2020–2022
Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars	2019–2020
Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies	2019
Dean’s Fund for Scholarly Travel	2018
Travel grant, Philip Bennett *79 Public Policy and Finance Fund	2018
UniCredit Foundation US Ph.D. Scholarship	2016–2018
Princeton University Honorific Fellowship	2016–2018
Best Thesis Award, New Economic School	2016
Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Achievements, HSE	2014–2016
Scholarship for Academic Achievements, HSE	2012–2016
President of Russia’s Award in Support of Talented Young Students	2012
Absolute Winner of the Russian National Olympiad in Economics	2012
Prize Winner of 7 other Olympiads in Economics and Mathematics	2012

Teaching Experience

Microeconomic Theory [ECO 300], Princeton University	Fall 2018
International Development [WWS 302/ECO 359], Princeton University	Fall 2018
Industrial Organization, HSE & NES	Spring 2016
Microeconomics II, HSE & NES	Fall 2015
Microeconomics I, HSE & NES	Spring 2015
