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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

**McGill University**, Department of Political Science, Montréal, QC  
Associate Professor, 2023-  
Assistant Professor, 2016-2023 (Paternity Leave: Autumn 2020, Autumn 2022)

## AFFILIATIONS

Member, [Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship \(CSDC\)](#), 2017-  
Member, [Centre on Population Dynamics - McGill](#), 2019-  
Faculty Research Affiliate, [Center for Social Media and Politics \(CsMaP\) - NYU](#), 2023-  
Member, [Centre for Social and Cultural Data Science \(CSCDS\)](#), 2016-2020  
Visiting Professor, Université de Montréal, 2024-25

## EDUCATION

**University of Washington**, Seattle, WA  
Ph.D., Political Science, 2016  
Political Methodology Certificate: Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, 2012  
M.A., Political Science, 2012

**Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service**, Washington, DC  
M.A., European Studies, *with distinction*, 2006  
Certificate in Refugee and Humanitarian Emergencies

**Dartmouth College**, Hanover, NH  
B.A., *cum laude*, Government, 2002

*Many pre-print versions are on my website. Contact me if you need something that is not available!*

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

29. [“How Language Shapes Belief in Misinformation: A Study Among Multilinguals in Ukraine”](#) Online First. *Journal of Experimental Political Science* (with Kevin Aslett, Sarah Graham, and Joshua A. Tucker)
28. [“Can Norm-Based Information Campaigns Reduce Corruption?”](#) Online First. *American Journal of Political Science*. (with Jordan Gans-Morse)
27. [“Using Targeted Social Media Advertising to Sample Global Migrant Populations: Nigerians at Home and Abroad.”](#) 2026. *Sociological Methods & Research* 55(1) 268-298. (with Thomas Soehl and Zeke Chen).
26. [Two Implications of Survey Research Mode during War: Evidence from Russia’s Full-Scale Invasion of Ukraine.](#) 2025. *Post-Soviet Affairs* 41(6) 573-5922.
25. [“Accountability in Time: Gradual Change in Access-to-Information Institutions.”](#) 2025. *World Politics* 77(3) 468-514 (with Brian Palmer-Rubin, Jésica Tapia-Reyes, Daniel Berliner, and Benjamin E. Bagozzi )  
—Winner: Best Paper on Political Institutions from the 2021 LASA Congress
24. [“Elder, am I right? Age-group differences in social and political interactions in Africa.”](#) 2025. *International Journal of Public Opinion Research* 37(2). (with Andrew McCormack)
23. [“What Corruption is Most Harmful? Unbundling Citizen Perceptions.”](#) 2025. *World Development* 194. (with Jordan Gans-Morse, Simeon Nichter, and Arne Holverscheid)

22. "Urban Disorder in Democratic Transitions: Ukraine's Municipal Policing Debates in Comparative Perspective." 2025. *Policing & Society* 35(4), 448-464. (with Matthew Light, Anne-Marie Singh, and Oleh Feday)
21. "Selective Bribery: When Do Citizens Engage in Corruption?" 2025. *Comparative Political Studies* 58(5), 996-1036. (with Jordan Gans-Morse and Simeon Nichter)
  - Media coverage: *Press release*
20. "Covering the Campaign: Computational Tools for Measuring Differences in Candidate and Party News Coverage with Application to an Emerging Democracy" 2024. *Social Science Computer Review* 42(6), 1313-1337. (with Danielle Jung, and James Long)
19. "Using Communications Technology to Promote Democratic Participation: Experimental Evidence from South Africa" 2024. *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 72(3) 1425-1463. (with Karen Ferree, Clark Gibson, Danielle Jung, James D. Long, and Craig McIntosh)
18. "Weaponizing Post-Election Court Challenges: Assessing Losers' Motivations" 2023. *Electoral Studies* 86. (with Nicholas Kerr and Saewon Park)
  - Media coverage: *Independent* (Uganda)
17. "Explaining Women's Political Underrepresentation in Democracies with High Levels of Corruption." 2023. *Political Science Research and Methods* 11(4) 804-822 (with Edana Beauvais)
16. "Does Analytic Thinking Insulate Against Pro-Kremlin Disinformation? Evidence from Ukraine." 2023. *Political Psychology* 44(1) 79-94. (with Calvin Garner, Gordon Pennycook and David G. Rand)
  - Media coverage: *Press Release*, *Oxford Demtech*
  - Top 10 Most cited article award International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)
15. "Discriminatory Immigration Bans Elicit Anti-Americanism in Targeted Communities: Evidence from Nigerian Expatriates." 2023. *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 10(1) 76-87. (with Thomas Soehl and Annie Chen)
14. "Is Pro-Kremlin Disinformation Effective? Evidence from Ukraine." 2023. *The International Journal of Press/Politics* 28(1) 5-28. (with Calvin Garner)
  - Media coverage: *Grid/TheMessenger*, *Canadaland*
13. "Multi-label Prediction for Political Text-as-Data." 2022. *Political Analysis* 30(4) 463-480. (with Stefano Dantas, Benjamin Bagozzi, Daniel Berliner, and Brian Palmer-Rubin)
12. "Measuring Human Rights Abuses from Access to Information Requests." 2022. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 66(2) 357-384. (with Sadie Ellington, Benjamin Bagozzi, Daniel Berliner, and Brian Palmer-Rubin)
11. "Media Attention and Bureaucratic Responsiveness." 2021. *Journal of Public Administration Research & Theory* 31(4): 687-703. (with Benjamin Bagozzi, Daniel Berliner and Brian Palmer-Rubin)
10. "Implicit Associations, Explicit Attitudes, and Sub-group Differences during Wartime." 2021. *International Studies Quarterly* 65(2): 528-541. (with Calvin Garner)
9. "Unveiling: An Unexpected Mid-campaign Court Ruling's Consequences and the Limits of Following the Leader." 2021. *Journal of Politics* 83(3): 1024-1029. (with Aengus Bridgman, Costin Ciobanu, Danielle Bohonos and Christopher Ross)
  - Media coverage: *Maclean's*, *Journal de Montréal*
8. "The Distributive Politics of Government Information: Political Targeting and Information Disclosure in Mexico." 2021. *Journal of Politics* 83(1): 231-245. (with Dan Berliner, Benjamin Bagozzi, and Brian Palmer-Rubin)
7. "Interpersonal Incomparability in Citizens' Views of Democracy: Survey Evidence from Ukraine." 2020. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties* 30(2): 139-160. (with Calvin Garner)
6. "Can Information Campaigns Impact Preferences toward Vote Selling? Theory and Evidence from Kenya." 2020. *International Political Science Review* 41(3) 419-435.

5. "The Double-edged Sword of Mobilizing Citizens via Mobile Phone in Developing Countries." 2018. *Development Engineering* 3: 34-46. (with Danielle Jung, James Long, and Craig McIntosh)
4. "'The Local *Mwananchi* Has Lost Trust': Design, Transition, and Legitimacy in Kenyan Election Management." 2016. *Journal of Modern African Studies* 54(4): 671-702. (with Nicholas Kerr)
3. "The Effects of Authoritarian Iconography An Experimental Test." 2016. *Comparative Political Studies* 49(13): 1704-1738. (with Sarah Bush, Lauren Prather, and Yael Zeira)  
—Media coverage: *Marginal Revolution, Washington Post: The Monkey Cage, PsyPost*
2. "Competing for Transparency: Political Competition and Institutional Reform in Mexican States." 2015. *American Political Science Review* 109(1): 110-128. (with Daniel Berliner)
1. "Aligning Rights and Interests" 2012. *World Development Report: Jobs Background Paper*. Washington, D.C.: World Bank. (with Christopher Adolph, Daniel Berliner, Anne Greenleaf, Milli Lake, Margaret Levi, and Jennifer Noveck)

UNDER REVIEW/To RESUBMIT

6. "Studying Global Diasporas via Social Media Recruitment: Practical Considerations." (with Zeke Chen and Thomas Soehl) *Revise & Resubmit at International Journal of Social Research Methodology*
5. "Who should vote? Membership and Claims to Expatriate Political Participation in the Nigerian Diaspora" (with Thomas Soehl) *Revise & Resubmit*
4. "A 'mega study' of approaches for sharing accurate news in the face of government repression." (with Julia Minson, Jordan Gans-Morse, and Christopher Higgins) *Under Review*
3. "War Fatigue?" (with Rafael Campos-Gottardo) *Under Review*
2. "Border proximity and preferences for conflict resolution in Eastern Ukraine" (with Calvin Garner and Matej Jungwirth)
1. "Misclassified: Security Concerns and Misleading Bureaucratic Responsiveness" (with , Daniel Berliner, James Korman, and Brian Palmer-Rubin)

EDITOR-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

6. "Pre-acceptance as a method to combat publication bias in area studies: a pilot in the Caucasus." 2018. *Caucasus Survey* 6(3): 224-229.
5. "Lessons from Results-Blind Review." 2018. *The Political Economist* 14(1): 10-13. (with Sarah Bush, Lauren Prather, and Yael Zeira)
4. "Development Traps and Escaping Development Traps: What Can We Learn from Freedom of Information Laws?" 2016. *The International Trade Journal* 30(5): 378-382.
3. "Implausible Incarceration Data Need to Be Addressed" 2013. *The Lancet Global Health* 1(6): e334- e335. (with Hans Gutbrod)
2. "Opinion Survey Opportunities and Exit Poll Limitations" 2009. In *Georgia – Presidential and Parliamentary Elections 2008: Lessons Learned*, ed. Igor D. Gaon. Tbilisi: Council of Europe/OSCE, pp 256–291. (with Hans Gutbrod)
1. "Tajikistan: from refugee sender to labor exporter." 2006. *Migration Information Source*.

BOOK REVIEWS

"Book Review: I Say to You: Ethnic Politics and the Kalenjin in Kenya" 2012. *Comparative Political Studies* 45(12): 1691–1695.

BLOGS AND  
POPULAR PRESS

- Big data y acceso a la información en México. London School of Economics and Political Science. (with Daniel Berliner, Benjamin Bagozzi, Jésica Tapia, and Brian Palmer Rubin)
- Surveys show Ukrainians don't want 'Kalashnikov society' *Kyiv Independent* (with Matthew Light, Anne-Marie Singh, and Serhii Bahlaii)
- Critical Thinking Protects Ukrainians from the Kremlin's Disinformation War. *Character & Context Blog* (with David Rand)
- “Is Russia’s wartime propaganda more powerful than family bonds?” *Washington Post - The Monkey Cage* (with Tymofii Brik and Jordan Gans-Morse)
- “Root of Resistance: Understanding National Identity in Ukraine.” *War on the Rocks*
- “Vote buying is a big problem in Kenya. How to curb it before the 2022 elections.” *The Conversation*
- “Conservative Party slowly learning real cost of promoting culturally divisive policies.” *Hill Times* (With Aengus Bridgman and Costin Ciobanu)
- ¿A quién le sirve la transparencia en México? *Nexos* (With Jésica Tapia, Brian Palmer-Rubin, Daniel Berliner, and Benjamin Bagozzi)
- “Trump’s impeachment isn’t over for Ukraine’s citizens” *Washington Post - The Monkey Cage* (with Tymofii Brik and Jordan Gans-Morse)
- “Get credible! ...Or a modest proposal to implement pre-registration in think tank research.” *On Think Tanks*. ( with Dustin Gilbreath)

PUBLISHED  
WORKING PAPERS

- “What Corruption is Most Harmful? Unbundling Citizen Perceptions” (with Simeon Nichter, Jordan Gans-Morse, and Arne Holverscheid). *IPR Working Paper Series, WP-25-2*
- “Can Norm-Based Information Campaigns Reduce Corruption?” (with Jordan Gans-Morse). *IPR Working Paper Series, WP-23-33*
- “Selective Bribery: When Do Citizens Engage in Corruption?” (with Jordan Gans-Morse and Simeon Nichter). *IPR Working Paper Series, WP-22-28*
- “Elder, you’re Right! Age-Group Differences in social and political interactions in Africa” (with Andrew McCormack). *Afrobarometer Working Paper 185*
- “Measuring How Information Changes Electoral Uncertainty in a Developing Democracy: Experimental Evidence from the Country of Georgia.”

MANUSCRIPTS IN  
PREPARATION

- “Face-to-face: Average Dosage Response Functions for Measuring Survey Response Pattern Variation” (with Andrew McCormack)
- The underpinnings of demand for EU integration: Evidence from Montenegro (with David Dubé)
- “Civic Engagement in Rebuilding Ukraine: Observational and Experimental Evidence” (with Dietlind Stolle and Rafael Campos-Gottardo)

ON HOLD

- “Machine Learning Kenyan Elections” (with Nicholas Kerr)
- “Eliciting a Risk Aversion Distribution” (with Tyrel Stokes and Henry Atkins)
- “How do politicians think about their competitiveness?”
- “Petitioning Elections” (with Nicholas Kerr)

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS	2020	“Nigerians Abroad and at Home: Politics and National Identity in a Global Diaspora” SSHRC Insight Development Grant (Co-Investigator)	CAD 70,413
	2020	“Consortium on Analytics for Data-Driven Decision-Making (CAnD3)” SSHRC Partnership Grant (Co-Applicant)	CAD 2.5 million
	2018	“International experts and anti-corruption initiatives in a transitional democracy: Ukraine police reform since 2014.” SSHRC Insight Grant (Co-Investigator)	CAD 218,310
	2018	“Discretion ou capacité : Utilisation de mégadonnées pour modéliser la faculté de réponse des gouvernements.” FRQSC Soutien à la recherche pour la relève professorale (PI)	CAD 56,816
	2018	“Studying Government Accountability and Responsiveness with Big Data on Citizen-Government Interactions.” SSHRC Insight Development Grwant (PI)	CAD 62,089
	2018	“Democracy in disruption? Engaging Canadians to face emerging threats.” SSHRC Connection Grant (Co-applicant, Fenwick McKelvey, Lead-PI)	CAD 49,853
	2017	“What’s in a Tally.” SSHRC Internal Grant	CAD 5,000
	2015	“Power of the Panopticon.” <i>Comparative Political Studies: Transparency Special Issue</i> (with S.Bush, L. Prather, Y. Zeira)	USD11,000
	2015	“Power of the Panopticon.” Program on Middle East Political Science (with L. Prather)	USD 3,000
	2015	Center for Statistics & Social Sciences Travel Grant	USD 1,000
	2015	Levi-Kaplan Comparative Political Economy Research Award	USD 2,000
	2014-2015	Chester A. Fritz Fellowship	USD 6,400
	2014	International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX)	USD 9,000
	2013	Full scholarship from NYU to attend Inaugural Winter Experimental Social Sciences Institute at New York University Abu Dhabi	
	2013	EITM Scholarship to attend ICPSR	
	2013	Durden Family Fellowship, University of Washington, Department of Political Science	USD 2,300
	2007	U.S. Fulbright Program, Georgia Recipient (declined)	
	2004–2006	Merit-based tuition scholarship, Georgetown University	
SOFTWARE	<b>mapcan</b> : A variety of functions that make it easy to plot standard choropleth Canadian maps as well as choropleth alternatives in <b>ggplot2</b> . (with Andrew McCormack)		
PROFESSIONAL EVALUATIONS AND REPORTS	“Corruption Perceptions in Armenia: Implications for Anti-Corruption Messaging” (with Jordan Gans-Morse, Arne Holverscheid, and Simeon Nichter). Report submitted USAID Armenia Integrity Project.		
	“Workplace, Labor Rights and Outcomes” (with Margaret Levi, Dan Berliner, Jennifer Noveck). Report submitted to World Bank, 2012.		
	“Final Evaluation of OSI’s Central Eurasia Project’s Labor Migration Program.” OSI: New York, January 2011.		

*Challenges Facing Effective Governance in Georgia* (Co-edited with Mzia Mikeladze). USAID sponsored edited volume, 2010.

“Voices of Migrants from Georgia” (with Kristina Vacharadze and Giorgi Babunashvili). Danish Refugee Council: Tbilisi Georgia, February 2009.

“Labor Migration in Armenia: A Sociological Survey of Six Communities” (with Anush Dulgaryan and Andrew Golda). USAID: Yerevan, Armenia, 2009.

#### TESTIMONY

**Disinformation and cyber operations in the context of Russia’s war against Ukraine:** Hearing before the The Standing Senate Committee on National Security, Defence, and Veterans Affairs Le Comité sénatorial permanent de la sécurité nationale, de la défense et des anciens combattants, Senate of Canada (April 15, 2024).

#### RECENT

#### PRESENTATIONS

\* is an invited talk

“How Language Shapes Belief in Misinformation: A Study Among Multilinguals in Ukraine.” Disinformation, Propaganda, and Russia’s War on Ukraine Institute of European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies Carleton University October 10, 2025.

“Debates over Civilian Handgun Ownership in Wartime Ukraine.” Paper presented at Danlyiw Seminar, University of Ottawa, September 25, 2025.

How do citizens view ESG?” Paper Presented at Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Vancouver, September 11, 2025.

“War Fatigue?” Paper Presented at Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, May 22, 2025.

“Citizen Perspectives of Corruption Harms: Evidence from Armenia.” Paper Presented at Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, May 16, 2024.

\* “Georgia’s Euromaidan? Making Sense of Mass Protests in Georgia.” Roundtable talk, Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York, May 16, 2024.

“Police Decentralization in Ukraine since 2014 and Collaborative Democracy.” Paper presented at Danlyiw Seminar, University of Ottawa, September 29, 2023

\* “Promises and Limits of Using Targeted Social Media Advertising to Sample Global Migrant Populations.’ Talk given at Democracy under Threat: How Education can Save it” (DEMED) University of Glasgow School of Social and Political Sciences, April 19, 2023 (with Thomas Soehl)

\*“Volunteering Under Invasion Descriptive and Experimental Evidence on Civilian Mobilization.” Talk given at U.S. Dept of State, January 20, 2023.

\*“Pro-Kremlin Propaganda’s Failure in Ukraine: Evidence and Lessons Learned” Talk given at PONARS, George Washington University, January 19, 2023. Follow-up talk CEPA, Zoom Roundtable April 5, 2023.

\*“Ukrainians’ Attitudes towards Pro-Kremlin Disinformation s.” DRUMS, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies Nanyang Technological University, March 23, 2022

\*“Russia’s Attack on Ukraine: An Expert Roundtable.” Montreal. Jean Monnet Network “Between the EU and Russia” (BEAR).’ March 9, 2022

“Weaponizing Election Petitions.” Paper Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan PR, January 9-11.

“Russian Disinformation in Ukraine.” Paper Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan PR, January 9-11.

“Media Attention and Bureaucratic Responsiveness.” Paper presented at Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 4-7. TextXD, Berkeley California, December 3-6, 2019; Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan PR, January 9-11.

“What Can we Learn From Election Petitions? An Analysis of Kenya’s 2013 Election-related Court Cases” Paper Presented at American Political Association Annual Convention, Boston, August 30-September 2, 2018.

“Ethnic Rivalry or Citizen Solidarity?” Paper presented at \*1) Temple University Comparative Politics Colloquium, Philadelphia, United States, March 26, 2018; \*2) University of Toronto, Centre for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, February 8, 2019.

“Covering the Campaign: The 2014 South African Presidential Election.” Paper Presented at American Political Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, September 1-4, 2017.

“Evaluating Women Candidates in a Corrupt Environment with Low Levels of Women’s Representation.” Paper presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, April 16-19, 2017.; CRRC 5th Annual Methodological Conference, Tbilisi, Georgia, July 2017.

\*“The future of transparency and experimentation: new ideas and initiatives. Trends behind the numbers: bridging policies and needs.” Tbilisi Georgia, January 2017.

“Do Pre-Election Polls Changes Citizens’ Beliefs or Behavior? Evidence from a Laboratory Experiment in the Country of Georgia.” Paper presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, April 16-19, 2015.

“Power of the Panopticon? How Leaders’ Images Affect Compliance.” Paper presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention, Chicago, April 16-19, 2015.

## TEACHING & MENTORSHIP

### **Courses Taught** *Instructor*

Undergraduate courses:

Introduction to Quantitative Social Science [POLI 311] (McGill)

The Politics of Misinformation [POLI 421] (McGill)

The Politics of Information and Transparency in the Developing World [POLI 422] (McGill)  
Misinformation and Disinformation in the Developing World (honours seminar) [POLI 522] (McGill)

Graduate courses taught:

Introduction to R [CS&SS 508] (UW)

Quantitative Research I [POLI 618] (McGill)

Causal Inference - Quantitative Research II [POLI 666] (McGill)

### *Graduate Student Instructor*

Undergraduate courses:

Introduction to Comparative Politics (x3) (UW) [POL S 204]

Case-Based Social Statistics [STAT 321] (UW)

Religion and World Politics [POL S 307] (UW)

American Politics [POL S 202] (UW)

Graduate courses:

Advances in Content Analysis Methods [POL S 559] (UW)

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (x2) [CS&SS/POL S 510] (UW)

*Mentorship*

**Ph.D. in Political Science (see lab page for others and placements) (year of graduation)**

2022 Costin Ciobanu, Co-author, Lab Member, Dissertation Committee, Post-Doc Royal Holloway, Aarhus

2023 Mathieu Lavigne, Co-author, Dissertation Committee, Post-Doc Dartmouth College

2024 Aengus Bridgman, Co-author, Lab Member, Dissertation Committee, Research Professor McGill University

2025 Maxime Blanchard, Dissertation Committee, IRCC Canada

TBD Qinggang Li, Co-Supervisor

**M.A. in Political Science) see lab page for others and placements (year of graduation)**

2019 Andrew McCormack, Co-Author, Research Assistant, Lab Member, Co-author

2019 Saewon Park Supervisor, Research Assistant, Lab Manager, Co-author,

2020 Annie Chen, Supervisor, Lab Member, Co-author

2020 Etienne Gagnon, Supervisor, Lab Manager

2021 Henry Atkins, Supervisor, Lab Member

2022 Dilse Kaygisiz, Supervisor, Lab Member

2023 Christoper Ross, Supervisor

2024 Pratik Mahajan, Co-Supervisor

2025 Rafael Campos-Gottardo, Supervisor, Lab member Co-author

TBD Luis Alvarez, Supervisor

TBD Katerina McMullen, Supervisor, Lab member

TBD Aung (Koye) Myat, Supervisor

TBD Aiden McIlvaney, Supervisor

**Undergraduate (year of mentorship)**

2017 Aidan McLaughlin. Internship Independent Study Supervisor (POLI 599)

2017 Marie Lemieux, Internship Independent Study Supervisor (POLI 599)

2018 Henry McKenzie, Honour's Thesis Supervisor (POLI 499)

2019 Lucie Goulard, Independent Study Supervisor (POLI 599)

2019 Tim Roy, Research Assistant, Lab Member, Independent Research Supervisor (POLI 490)

RELEVANT  
PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE

**National Democratic Institute of International Affairs (NDI)**, Kenya, Nepal, Ukraine, Montenegro

*Consultant*

**2010-2024**

– Provided strategic design and implementation consultancy for over one million dollars of applied political public opinion and focus group work. Wrote analytic reports.

**National Democratic Institute of International Affairs (NDI)**

*Senior Program Officer, Research and Data Analysis*

**2010**

– Ran NDI's USAID program to implement the first polling station level digitalized maps in Africa.

– Initiated and oversaw NDI's Norwegian-funded qualitative and quantitative research program to investigate Kenyan citizens' attitudes towards the electoral process.

**Caucasus Research Resource Centers (CRRC), Eurasia Foundation,**

*CRRC Deputy Director for Projects*

**2006–2010**

- Directed and helped implement CRRC assessments and evaluations, including supervision of USAID funded migration assessment in Armenia and a multiyear assessment of Millennium Challenge Corporation's (MCC) efficacy in economic development in Georgia.
- Coordinated CRRC Data Initiative (the largest cross-border survey in the Caucasus) and other survey and focus group activities, including questionnaire development, focus group guide development, questionnaire translation, expert meetings and report write-ups.
- Ran a 600,000 dollar election-related research program in cooperation with National Democratic Institute of International Affairs (NDI).

**SKILLS**

**Statistical Packages:** Stata, SPSS

**Computer Languages:** R, Python, bash and Unix shell scripts

**Computer Applications:** emacs, qGIS, ArcGIS, CSPro, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Inquisit Millisecond

**Languages:** Proficient in Spanish; Research skills in French, Georgian, German, Russian; Rusty in Slovak; Elementary Turkish, Swahili

**FIELD RESEARCH**

Armenia, 2006-2010  
Azerbaijan, 2006-2010  
Georgia, 2006-2010, 2014-15  
Kenya 2010-2015  
Montenegro 2025  
South Africa, 2014  
Ukraine, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019  
United Arab Emirates, 2015

**PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE**

**Departmental Service**

2025-26 CERC Chair Search Committee  
Graduate Program/Admissions Committee  
2023-24 Placement Director  
2022-23 Equity Committee  
Dean's Rep - Economics Department Job Search  
2021-22 Methods Stream Coordinator  
Graduate Program/Admissions Committee  
2020-21 Methods Stream Coordinator  
2019-20 Honours and Joint Honours Undergraduate Advisor  
Cyclical Review Undergraduate Committee  
Quantitative Methods Coordinator  
2018-19 Undergraduate Advisor  
Comparative Behaviour Search Committee  
Quantitative Methods Coordinator  
2017-18 Comparative Behaviour Search Committee  
Quantitative Methods Coordinator

**University Service**

Founder of R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops Program, which is now housed in the Computational and Data Systems Initiative (CDSI)

2025-26 Arts Curriculum Committee  
Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
2023-24 Pro-dean Psychology

Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
2022-23 Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
Tomlinson Doctoral Fellowship Review Committee  
Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops  
2021-22 B.A.& Sc. Program Administration Committee  
Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops  
2020-21 B.A.& Sc. Program Administration Committee  
Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops  
Speaker for SSHRC IDG Panel for McGill Faculty  
2019-20 B.A.&Sc. Program Administration Committee  
Geographic Information Centre (GIC) Oversight Committee  
Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops  
Vanier Canada Doctoral Scholarship Review Committee  
2018-19 Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops  
2017-18 Co-director R, Math and Replicable Summer Workshops

### **Profession**

2025-26 APSA Chair, Discussant  
2024-25 ASN Discussant  
MPSA Chair, Discussant  
2023-24 ASN Discussant  
MPSA Discussant  
2022-23 SSHRC Insight Development Grant (IDG) Review  
APSA Discussant  
2021-22 SSHRC Insight Development Grant (IDG) Review Committee  
Co-organizer, Montreal Methods Talk Series  
International Advisory Board Member ESRC (UK) Grant “Shadows of The Gulag”  
MPSA, Discussant  
2020-21 CRRC New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF) Review Committee  
CSDC Conference Committee  
International Advisory Board Member ESRC (UK) Grant “Shadows of The Gulag”  
2019-20 SPSA, Discussant, Chair  
SSHRC Insight Development Grant (IDG) Review Committee  
CSDC Conference Committee  
International Advisory Board Member ESRC (UK) Grant “Shadows of The Gulag”  
2018-19 SPSA, Discussant, Chair  
MPSA, Discussant  
ASN, Chair  
External Jury Member David Wutchiett (Sociology UdeM)  
CIPPS, Works in Progress, Discussant  
International Advisory Board Member ESRC (UK) Grant “Shadows of The Gulag”  
2017-18 APSA, Discussant, Chair  
International Advisory Board Member ESRC (UK) Grant “Shadows of The Gulag”  
2016-2017 MPSA, Discussant, Chair

### **Journal & Press Peer Review**

*African Affairs, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Big Data*

& Society, British Journal of Political Science, Canadian Journal of Political Science, Cambridge University Press, Comparative Political Studies, Contemporary Politics, Cooperation & Conflict, Democratization, East European Politics, East/West: Journal of Ukrainian Studies, Electoral Studies, Europe-Asia Studies, European Journal of Political Research, European Political Science, European Political Science Review, European Union Politics, Foreign Policy Analysis, Government & Opposition, International Journal of Communication, International Journal of Health Policy and Management, International Journal of Press/Politics, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, International Political Science Review, Journal of East Asian Studies, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Journal of Institutional Economics, Journal of International Relations and Development, Journal of Law and Courts, Journal of Modern African Studies, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Administration Research & Theory, Journal of Slavic Military Studies, Media, War & Conflict, Oñati Socio-Legal Series, Perspectives on Politics, PNAS Nexus, Policy Studies, Post-Soviet Affairs, Political Analysis, Public Management Review, Mass Communication & Society, Political Communication, Political Science Research & Methods, Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Public Administration Review, Public Opinion Quarterly, Regulation & Governance, Research & Politics, SAGE Open, Sociological Methods & Research, Telematics & Informatics, World Development

#### **Grant Review**

Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación (Uruguay), European Research Council (ERC), Mitacs, Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF)

#### **Government Agency Review**

Japanese International Cooperation Agency Research Institute (JICA-RI)

#### **OTHER SERVICE**

##### **Volunteer:**

Open North 2017 -2021 Advisor to applied research lab scientists.

Software Carpentry, 2013 – Teach computational skills to scientists.

Transparify, 2013–2016 Perform statistical analysis for NGO that promotes financial transparency amongst NGOs.

**International Election Observer**, Ukrainian 2019 Parliamentary Elections, South African 2014 General Elections, Georgian 2008 Presidential Elections, 2008 Ach'aran Supreme Council Elections.