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# **Education**

2012	Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Arizona Committee: John P. Willerton (Chair), Gary Goertz, Charles Ragin. Dissertation: Overcoming Inequality and Suspicion: Forging Interstate Cooperation Despite Mistrust and Power Asymmetry Comprehensive Exams: Comparative Politics and International Relations.
2009	M.A. in Political Science, University of Arizona
2000	M.B.A. in International Management, Thunderbird, The Garvin School of International Management
1997	BSLA in International Relations and Russian Language, Georgetown University

# **Academic Positions:**

2013-present	Lecturer, Troy University
2012-2013	Adjunct Instructor, University of Arizona
2009-2012	Instructor of Record, University of Arizona
2007-2009	Teaching Assistant, University of Arizona
1997-1998	Visiting Instructor, Barnaul State Pedagogical University (Russia)
1997-1998	Visiting Instructor, Barnaul State University (Russia)
1997-1998	Visiting Instructor, Barnaul State Technical University (Russia)

## **Publications**

### **Books**

Building Hegemonic Order Russia's Way: Rules, Stability and Predictability in the Post-Soviet Space. Lexington Books -- In Press (2014).

Strategic Cooperation: Overcoming the Barriers of Global Anarchy. Lexington Books. 2013.

## **Scholarly Articles:**

- "Order and Disorder across Geological Space: The Effect of Declining Dominance on Interstate Conflict." *Journal of International Relations and Development*. (Forthcoming). (With J. Patrick Rhamey and Thomas Volgy).
- "Treaty Networks, Nesting, and Interstate Cooperation: Russia, the FSU, and the CIS" *International Area Studies Review* 15(1): 59 –82. (2012). (With John P. Willerton and Gary Goertz).
- "How Effective are International Organizations at Resolving Territorial Disputes among Member States: A Look at the European Union." *Studies of Changing Societies* 1(2): 29 59. (2012).
- "The New European Union: Integration as a Means of Norm Diffusion." *Journal on Ethnopolitics and Minority Issues in Europe* 9(1): 1–25. (2010).
- "Rossiya na Rubezhe XXI Veka: Spyashchij Medved' ili Gordo Paryashchij Orel?" (Russia in the 21st Century: A Hibernating Bear or Soaring Double-Headed Eagle. In *Polzunovskij Al'manakh* (*Polzunov Almanac*), Volume 1, ed. V. Evstigneev. Barnaul, Russia: Altai State Technical University (1998). (with Viktor Dmitriev).

## Published Conference Proceedings:

- "Globalizatsiya Myshleniya Cherez Razrushenie Stereotipov (Achieving A Global Outlook Through the Destruction of Stereotypes). Proceedings of the Globalizatsiya v Ekonomike i Obrazovanii (Conference on Globalization in Economics and Education), Barnaul, Russia. 1999.
- "Cultural Linguistics as a Required Component of Country Studies." Proceedings of the Formation of Social Linguistic Competence: Problems and Perspectives, Barnaul, Russia. 1998.

# Media (Appearances, Interviews, and Editorials):

## Television and Radio Media Appearances

- "Russian Invasion and NATO Expansion." Interviewed by BBC World News. London, England. August 30, 2014.
- "Malaysian Airline Shot Down." Interviewed by WAKA Channel 8. Montgomery, Alabama. July 18, 2014.
- "Malaysian Air Tragedy." Interviewed by WSFA Channel 12. Montgomery, Alabama. July 18, 2014.

- "Analysis of Malaysian Flight Disaster." Interviewed by BBC World News. London, England. July 17, 2014.
- "Analysis of Malaysian Air Crisis." Interviewed by WTVY Channel 4 News. Dothan, Alabama. July 17, 2014
- "Analysis of New US Ambassador John Tefft to Russia." Interviewed by Voice of Russia. Moscow, Russia. July 10, 2014.
- "25 Years Since Tiananmen Square Massacre." Interviewed by Channel 8 News, Montgomery, AL. June 4, 2014.
- "Fire in Odessa." Interviewed by BBC News. London, England. May 3, 2014.
- "Analysis of Increased Tension on Russian Border with Ukraine." Interviewed by BBC News. London, England. April 24, 2014.
- "Analysis of Checkpoint Violence in Eastern Ukraine." Interviewed by BBC News. London, England. April 20, 2014.
- "Analysis of UN Security Council Meeting on Eastern Ukraine." Interviewed by BBC News. London, England. April 12, 2014.
- "UN Security Council Meeting on Eastern Ukraine." Interviewed by BBC World. London, England. April 12, 2014.
- "NATO Suspends Cooperation with Russia." Interviewed by BBC World News. London, England. April 1, 2014.
- "US and EU Sanction Russia." Interviewed by BBC World News. London, England. March 18, 2014.
- "Crimean Referendum." Interviewed by BBC World News. London, England. March 17, 2014.
- "Strategic Cooperation, Overcoming the Barriers to Global Anarchy." Interviewed by On the Bookshelf, WTBF Radio. Troy, Alabama. March 10, 2014.
- "Crimean Referendum." Interviewed by WAKA Channel 8 News, Montgomery, AL. March 6, 2014.
- "Crimean Crisis." Interviewed by WSFA Channel 12 News, Montgomery, AL. March 4, 2014.
- "Crisis in Ukraine." Interviewed by WAKA Channel 8 News, Montgomery, AL. February 21, 2014.

- "Crisis in Kiev." Interviewed by British Broadcasting Company on BBC World News, London, England. February 18, 2014.
- "Violence in Ukraine." Interviewed by British Broadcasting Company on BBC World News. London, England. February 6, 2014.
- "Protests in Ukraine." Interviewed by British Broadcasting Company on BBC World News. London, England. January 22, 2014.
- "Ukraine in Crisis." Interviewed by British Broadcasting Company on BBC World News. London, England. November 26, 2013.

### Print Media Interviews

- "Malaysian Airlines Disaster: Local Expert Believes U.S. Will Sanction Russia." Interviewed by Auburn and Opelika News. Auburn, Alabama. July 17, 2014.
- "Malaysian Flight Crash a 'Game-Changer." Interviewed by Troy Messenger. Troy, Alabama. July 17, 2014.
- "What Should We Expect from the New US Ambassador to Russia?" Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. June 30, 2014.
- "Will the Ukraine Crisis Bring Finland into NATO?" Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. June 18, 2014
- "Will Russia Invade Eastern Ukraine?" Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. March 28, 2014.
- "Will Crimea Lead to Cold War II?" Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. March 7, 2014.
- "Ukraine 'Ultimatum' Deadline Passes, US Reduces Economic and Military Ties with Russia." Interviewed by International Business Times. March 3, 2014.
- "Will Deal in Ukraine Really End the Bloodshed?" Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. February 21, 2014.
- "Russia is no Longer a Superpower, and Putin's ok with that." Interviewed by Russia Direct. Moscow, Russia. December 13, 2014.
- "Moldova Celebrates, Ukraine Demonstrates, While Romania Advocates." Interviewed by Eastbook.eu. December 6, 2013.

#### Media Editorials

- "Why Finland's Role is Vital to Resolving the Ukrainian Crisis." Russia Direct. August 19, 2014.
- "Georgia Could Become a Blueprint for Cooperation between EU, Russia." Russia Direct. August 12, 2014.
- "Will MH17 Lead to a Dangerous Precedent?" Russia Direct. July 28, 2014.
- "With Malaysian Boeing Crash, Winning Hearts and Minds is Harder." Russia Direct. July 18, 2014.
- "Seeking a Diplomatic Deal for Eastern Ukraine." Russia Direct. June 4, 2014.
- "It's Time for a New Helsinki Conference on European Security." Russian International Affairs Council. May 30, 2014.
- "Ukraine: If you thought May 11 was divisive, wait until May 25." Russia Direct Article. May 13, 2014.
- "Dealing with Putin's so-called War Machine." Russia Direct Article. March 28, 2014.
- "How to Avoid Civil War in Ukraine." Russia Direct. March 17, 2014.
- "Can an EU-Russia Compromise Stave Off Civil War in Ukraine?" Russia Direct. January 27, 2014.
- "Moldova: The First Test of Russia's Response to Vilnius." Russia Direct. December 6, 2013.
- "Russia's Monroe Doctrine Just Worked in Ukraine." Russia Direct. November 21, 2013
- "Shutdown Proved Democracy Messy, but It Works." Montgomery Advertiser. October 18, 2013.
- "Alabama Voices: Work with Russia for a Peaceful Middle East." Montgomery Advertiser. September 27, 2013.

# **Works in Progress:**

Articles Under Review:

"Mistrust and Hegemony: Regional institutional design, the FSU-CIS, and Russia" (2013) (Under Review at World Politics). (With John P. Willerton and Gary Goertz).

## Conference Papers:

- "Of Power Vacuums and Conflict: The Effects of Declining Dominance on MIDs." Presented at the 2013 meeting of the European International Studies Association, Warsaw, Poland. (with J. Patrick Rhamey and Thomas J. Volgy).
- "Overcoming Barriers to Cooperation: Issue Neutralization in Power Asymmetry" Presented at the International Studies Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 2013.
- "The Quest for the Liberal Peace: Toward a Measure of Interstate Cooperation" Presented at the American Political Science Association Meeting, New Orleans, LA, 2012 (With John P. Willerton).
- "Cooperation in Power Asymmetry and Distrust" Presented at the International Studies Association Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2012 (With Aakriti Tandon).
- "Mistrust and Hegemony: Regional institutional design, the CIS, and Russia" Presented at the 5th Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations (PEIO V), Villanova University, January, 2012 (With John P. Willerton and Gary Goertz).
- "Inter-Governmental Organizations (IGOs) and Issue Area Diversity: Forum-Shopping Among International Institutions," Presented at the International Studies Association Meeting, Montreal, Canada, 2011 (With Alesia Sedziaka)
- "MIDs at the Margins: Dispute Onset and Major Power Reach," Presented at the Peace Science Society International Meeting, Dallas, TX, 2010 (With J. Patrick Rhamey).
- "The Troika Option: When Neither Multilateralism nor Bilateralism is the Appropriate Choice," Presented at the Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL 2009.

# **Working Papers:**

- "The Troika Option: When Neither Multilateral nor Bilateral Treaty Complexes are an Option" (With John P. Willerton). Examines how treaty complexes are more nuanced than scholars of international relations have previously noted. Most treaty complexes are a combination of both multilateral and bilateral treaties through the use of treaty nestedness.
- "Treaty Complexity and Interstate Cooperation: Russian Relations with Georgia and Turkmenistan" (With John P. Willerton, Kathy Powers and Gary Goertz). Examines the complexity of interstate cooperation among FSU countries, specifically with strained relationships.
- "Appointing Regional Governors: Adding to the Democratic Deficit in Russia" (With John P.

Willerton). Examines how and when Regional Governors can be replaced by the President of the Russian Federation and whether or not the President has used the powers to ensure loyalty from the Governors.

### **Awards**

International Studies Association Travel Grant Award, 2012 and 2013 to present at the International Studies Association Conference \$250

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant, 2010-2011

Awarded by the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Arizona *School of Government and Public Policy Travel Grant Award*, 2010 to present at the Peace Science Conference \$350

University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant Award, 2009 to present at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference \$500

## **Courses Taught**

**Professional Interests:** International Conflict, Interstate Cooperation, Russia and the Former Soviet Union, International Organizations.

#### Troy University

POL 2241 "American National Government"

POL 2260 "World Politics"

POL 4402 "Political Geography"

POL 4424 "Contemporary American Foreign Policy"

POL 4433 "Comparative Governments"

POL 4452 "International Law"

POL 4460 "Intercultural Relations"

POL 4470 "European Politics"

POL 4495 "Russian Politics"

IR 6642 "Russia and Eastern Europe in World Affairs" (Graduate Class)

IR 6647 "Western Europe in World Affairs" (Graduate Class)

## University of Arizona

POL 451 "Russian Foreign Policy"

POL 446 "Comparative Political Elites"

POL 437 "Democracies, Emerging and Evolving"

POL 365 "Contemporary International Relations"

POL 551 "Russian Foreign Policy and Security" (Master's in International Security Program).

SGPP 305 "Fundamentals of Democracy"

### Teaching Assistant:

University of Arizona

POL 202 "Introduction to International Relations"

POL 204 "Introduction to Comparative Politics"

Thunderbird, The Garvin School of International Management

IS 4000B (Graduate Class) "International Political Economy"

"Intermediate Russian Language" (Graduate Level)

### Visiting Instructor:

Barnaul State Pedagogical University (Russia)

"English Writing"

"Contemporary American Civics and Government"

Altai State University (Russia)

"English Writing"

Altai State Technological University (Russia)

"Contemporary International Relations"

"English Writing" (Spring 1998).

## **Academic and Administrative Experience**

Coordinator of International Student Advising Southeastern University, Washington D.C. (2001-2006).

Assistant Group Leader for Academic Exchanges
Exchanges between Barnaul State Pedagogical University (Russia) and Northern Arizona
University (Summers 1992; 1994; 1995; 1997).

## **University and Community Service**

2014-present Book Series Editor (Lexington Books) "Eurasian and Eastern European Politics."

2014-present Faculty Advisor for Model United Nations, Troy University.

2013-present Reviewer for European Journal of International Relations.

2013-present Faculty Co-Advisor for *Political Science Club*, Troy University.

2013-present Faculty Advisor for Russian Club, Troy University.

2013-present Committee Member for Website Development Committee.

2013-present Committee Member for MSIR Comps Methods Committee.

2012-present Reviewer for *Political Research Quarterly*.

2011 "Russia and the Caucasus: Should the United States be Concerned?" Lecture presented at the Great Decisions meeting of the Foreign Policy Association, Tucson, AZ.

2010-2011 President of the School of Government and Public Policy Graduate Student Association.

2009-2012 Travel Grant Reviewer, University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council.

2009 "Russia in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A Soaring Double-Headed Eagle or Hibernating Bear," Lecture presented at the Institute of Retired Learning, Tucson, AZ.

# **Language Proficiency**

Russian (near-native fluency); French (very proficient); German (good command); English (my native language).

### References

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