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Education

Ph.D. Student. Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2016–Present.

M.A. Global Affairs and Policy, Yonsei University, 2016.

B.A. International Studies, UC San Diego, 2010.

Research

Research Interests

International Relations, International Institutions, Multilateral Agreements, New Democracies, Ethnic Diversity and Conflict

Research in Progress

Tentative Dissertation Title: "Young Democracies' Behavior in Multilateral Agreements"

"Ethnic Diversity in Economic Voting: A Multilevel Cross-National Analysis"

Teaching

Instructor-of-Record, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

PS 100: Introduction to Political Science, Summer 2018.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

PS 101: Introduction to American Politics and Government, Fall 2016.*

PS 280: Introduction to International Relations, Spring 2017.*

PS 495: Senior Honors Seminar

PS 220: Introduction to Public Policy, Spring 2019.

* Listed on "Teachers Ranked as Excellent", top 10 percent university-wide

Fellowships and Awards

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Russian, Eastern European, and Eurasian Center, Fall 2018–present.

Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Excellence, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, 2017.

Other Employment and Experience

Research Assistant, Professor Tracy Sulkin, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Fall 2018–present.

East Asia Foundation Policy Debates Fellow, 2014–present.

Training

Skills

R, RMarkdown, STATA, L^AT_EX, HTML and Java for web scraping

Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat

Operating Systems: Windows, Mac

Languages

English (native), Russian (proficient), Korean (proficient)

Service

Visits Committee Chair, Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of Illinois, Spring 2019.

Social Chair, Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of Illinois, Fall 2017–Spring 2018.