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Curriculum Vitae

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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2021-2025 **Visiting Assistant Professor of Politics**
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio
- 2018-2021 Postdoctoral Research Fellow
National Research University — Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia
- 2020-2021 Researcher, “Authoritarian Urbanism in the Twenty-First Century” Grant Proposal
Bauhaus University, Weimar, Germany
- 2021 Visiting Lecturer, Political Science
Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado

EDUCATION

- 2018 **Ph.D. in Politics**
The New School for Social Research, New York
Dissertation Title: *Competing for Legitimacy: Oil Industry Governance in Russia and Brazil*
Dissertation Committee: David Plotke, Jessica Pisano, Sanjay Ruparelia, Julia Ott
- 2004 **B.F.A. in Theater magna cum laude**
Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts

PUBLICATIONS

- Contributor to: Visegrad Insight and Zeit-Stiftung Bucerius. 2024. *Costs of Non-Enlargement: Foresight Report on EU Enlargement and Neighborhood*. Available at: https://read.zeit-stiftung.com/report_cost_of_non_enlargement/index.php
- Zadorian, Amanda. (2021). “Practicing (State) Capitalism at Petrobras and Rosneft.” Special Issue on The Rise of State Capitalism. *International Journal of Public Administration* 44, no. 14 (October): 1241-1252. [DOI: 10.1080/01900692.2021.1964082](https://doi.org/10.1080/01900692.2021.1964082).

Publications, cont'd.

Zadorian, Amanda, Miklós Szanyi, and Ali Farazmand. (2021). Introduction to the Special Issue on The Rise of State Capitalism. *International Journal of Public Administration* 44, no. 14 (October): 1195-1200. [DOI: 10.1080/01900692.2021.1973723](https://doi.org/10.1080/01900692.2021.1973723).

Zupan, Daniela, Vera Smirnova, and Amanda Zadorian. (2021). "Governing through *stolichnaya praktika*: Housing renovation from Moscow to the regions." *Geoforum* 120 (March): 155-164. [DOI: 10.1016/j.geoforum.2021.01.008](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2021.01.008).

Zupan, Daniela, Vera Smirnova, and Amanda Zadorian. (2021). "Stolitschnaja Praktika: Das Moskauer Wohnraumsanierungsprogramm soll auf die Regionen ausgedehnt werden." *Russland-Analysen* No. 399 (March 9): 2-6. [Link to article](#).

Working Papers, Manuscripts under review and in progress

Zadorian, Amanda, Nathan Hutson, and Sarah Wilson Sokhey. "Authoritarian Governance and Geopolitics: Russia's Sputnik V Vaccine Diplomacy During the Covid-19 Pandemic." Article under review.

Zadorian, Amanda. *Competing for Legitimacy: Financial Rentier States in Russia and Brazil*. Book manuscript in preparation.

Sokhey, Sarah Wilson, and Amanda Zadorian. "Russia Is Not a Normal Oil State." Article manuscript in progress. OSF pre-registration: <https://osf.io/nw8ed/>.

Zadorian, Amanda. (2018). "Constructing Competitiveness in Russia and Brazil: Oil Dependence and the Knowledge Economy." Heilbroner Center for Capitalism Studies Working Paper.

INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

2023 "Destabilizing the conceptual borders of field research: An illustration from the energy sector." Historical Epistemologies of Central, East, and Southeastern European Studies Workshop at LMU Munich (Munich, October 19-20).

2023 EU Enlargement Consortium: Strategic Foresight/Trajectories of Change. Visegrad Insight & ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius (Flensburg, July 10-14).

2023 Panelist on "Emerging Scholars on the State of the Field, Activism, and Advocacy," part of the *Decolonization in Focus* series at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University (February 24).

Invited Talks and Workshops, cont'd.

- 2021 "Economic Challenges Facing Russia and Eurasia." With Sarah Wilson Sokhey. PONARS Eurasia (May 14).
- 2020 "*Stolichnaya praktika*: Housing Renovation from Moscow to the Regions." Decolonizing Eastern European Studies, The New School, New York (December 11).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Knowledge as an Object of Inquiry. Roundtable Participant. Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Convention (Philadelphia, November 30-December 3).
- 2023 Historical Epistemologies of Central, East, and Southeastern European Studies. Roundtable Participant. ASEEES Convention (Philadelphia, November 30-December 3).
- 2022 "Sputnik-V and Russia's Authoritarian Bargain: Evidence from Media Coverage." Co-authored with Sarah Wilson Sokhey. ASEEES Convention (Chicago, November 10-13).
- 2022 "Financial Rentierism in Brazil and Russia: Rents, Welfare, and Opportunity." Paper accepted to the American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Comparative Politics Section (Montréal, September 14-18).
- 2021 "*Stolichnaya praktika*: Governing Russia's Regional Capitals through Urbanism." Co-authored with Daniela Zupan and Vera Smirnova. APSA Annual Meeting, Post-Communist Politics section (Seattle, September 28 - October 3).
- 2021 "Spectacularization of the everyday: *stolichnaya praktika* and National Housing Renovation in Russia." Co-authored with Daniela Zupan and Vera Smirnova. International Sociological Association RC21 Conference (Antwerp, July 14-16).
- 2020 "Governing through *stolichnaya praktika*: Urban housing renovation and center-periphery relations in Russia." 9th Annual Conference of the International Center for the Study of Institutions and Development (ICSID) (Moscow, June 9-11).
- 2019 "How rentier was Russian social policy during the commodity price boom?" ASEEES Annual Meeting (San Francisco, November 23-26).
- 2019 "The return of *stolichnaya praktika*?: The Russian Housing Renovation project, center-peripheries, and soft power." Co-authored with Vera Smirnova and Daniela Zupan. ICSID Workshop "Quality of Governance and the Legacies of Socialism," University of Bremen (Bremen, 25-26 October).

Conference Presentations, cont'd.

- 2019 “Redistributive or Financial Rentierism? Russian Social Policy, 2004-2014.” EACES-HSE Workshop at the 8th Annual ICSID Conference (Moscow, June 13-15).
- 2019 “Practicing (State) Capitalism at Petrobras and Rosneft.” EACES Workshop “The Rise of State Capitalism: Consequences for political and economic development” at the Higher School of Economics’ 20th Annual April International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development (Moscow, 9-12 April).
- 2018 “Performing the Shareholder Value Revolution at Rosneft.” ASEES Convention (Boston, December 6-9).
- 2018 “From Oil to Knowledge: Sources of Rent in the Global Energy Industry.” APSA Annual Meeting, International Political Economy section (Boston, August 30-September 2).
- 2018 “Knowledge Majors: Intellectual Property as a Strategy of Accumulation.” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Environmental Political Theory section (San Francisco, March 29-31).
- 2017 “Oil Dependence and the Construction of Competitiveness.” Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, April 6-9).
- 2015 “Competition and Reform of National Oil Companies in Russia and Brazil.” APSA Annual Meeting (San Francisco, September 3-6).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio

The Politics of Oil. Politics B.A. 2021, 2022, 2024.

Queer Comparative Politics. Politics, Law & Society, and Gender Studies B.A. 2022, 2023, 2024.

The Autocratic Turn. Politics B.A. 2022, 2023.

Political Ecology. Politics and Environmental Studies B.A. 2023.

Global Capitalism: Corporate Citizens and Shareholder States. Politics B.A. 2022, 2023.

Theater and Politics. Politics B.A. 2022, 2023.

Post-Soviet Politics. Politics and Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies B.A. 2021.

Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado

The Politics of Oil. Political Science B.A. 2021.

Teaching Experience, cont'd.

Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

Research Methods Project Seminar. Politics, Economics, Philosophy M.A. 2018-2020.

The New School, New York

Research Methods Workshop. Lang Social Science Fellowship Program. 2017-2018.
Global Economies (intro to Global Political Economy). Global Studies B.A. 2016-2018.
Thesis Seminar. Global & Environmental Studies B.A. 2016-2018.
The Nation-State & Its Discontents (intro to Comparative Politics). Politics B.A. 2014, 2016.
Theater and Politics. First-Year Writing Program. 2013, 2015.
The Ends of the Earth (intro to Political Ecology). First-Year Writing Program. 2013, 2014.
The Resource Curse. Global Studies B.A. 2010.

Univerzita Jana Amose Komenského, Prague, Czech Republic

History of Economics. Erasmus Study Abroad Program. 2012.

THESIS AND INDEPENDENT STUDY SUPERVISION

Oberlin College

2022-2023 B.A. Honors Theses, Department of Politics
• “State of Decay: A Theory of Fungal Organizing”
• “Stealing Speech: Discursive Motifs and Neoliberal Legitimation in the Cleveland Area”

Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia

2020-2021 Supervision of 4 M.A. and 1 B.A. Research Assistant, “Knowledge Majors” project.

2020-2021 M.A. Thesis (English language). M.A. in Politics, Economics and Philosophy.
• “The Financial Sector and Government Spending: New Evidence on the Financial Curse”
• “The Applications of Post-Truth Epistemology in the Right-Wing Discourse of Cultural Marxism”
• “The Exercise of Political Autonomy over Urban Planning in Russian *Milioniki* Cities”

2020-2021 Undergraduate Thesis (English language). B.A. in Political Science.
• “Social Movements’ Success in Promoting International Cooperation Against Climate Change”

2020-2021 Undergraduate Term Paper (English language). B.A. in Political Science.
• “The Concept of Non-Human Agency in the Bio-Politics of Coronavirus”

Thesis and Independent Study Supervision, cont'd.

- 2019-2020 Undergraduate Term Paper (Russian language). B.A. in World Economy & International Affairs.
- “The Influence of Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro on Relations Between Brazil and the European Union”
- 2019-2020 Term Paper (English language). M.A. in Politics, Economics and Philosophy.
- “The Philosophical Underpinnings of Right-Wing Movements in the Contemporary U.S.A.”

The New School, New York, U.S.A.

- 2017-2018 Undergraduate Thesis. B.A. in Global Studies.
- “‘My lonely is *mine*’: Social Isolation in the Black Woman’s Search for Freedom”
 - “The Sports-Industrial Complex: Uncovering the Lie of ‘Amateur’ Athletics”
 - “The Texture of Plastic: Unearthing the Political Ecologies of Trash”

The New School, New York, U.S.A.

- 2017-2018 Undergraduate Thesis. B.A. in Environmental Studies. 2018.
- “Justice and Agency in Post-1990 Cuban Agriculture”

- 2016, 2017 Lang Social Science Fellowship Mentor.
- In this experiential learning program, mentors guided students in developing an independent research project based on their summer internship.
- “Does Greenwashing Affect Consumer or Investor Behavior? Measuring a populations intent to purchase/invest when presented with greenwashing information”
 - “Stocks, Corporate Governance, and Market Signaling: How Investors Use Corporate Governance Scandals to Make Decisions Under Uncertainty”

DISCIPLINARY, UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- 2023-24 Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies Events Committee, Oberlin College
- 2023-24 Politics Department Speaker Committee, Oberlin College
- 2022-23 Reviewer, *Competition and Change*
- 2020 Reviewer, *Post-Soviet Affairs*
- 2020 Reviewer, *Gorodskie issledovaniya i praktiki* (Urban Studies and Practices)
- 2019 Conference Program Coordinator, EACES Workshop “The Rise of State Capitalism: Consequences for political and economic development” (Moscow, 9-12 April).

Disciplinary, University and Departmental Service, cont'd.

- 2015-2017 Program Coordinator, Heilbroner Center for Capitalism Studies, The New School
for Social Research
- 2014 Conference Coordinator, “Grounding Theoretical Reflections in Politics: Ukraine
as a Mirror of the Political,” The New School for Social Research
- 2013-2014 Student Advisor to undergraduate majors and minors in Politics at Eugene Lang
College
- 2011 Program Coordinator, Center for Civic Engagement and Social Justice, Eugene
Lang College

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- 2017, 2018 Carnegie Foundation Summer Research and Travel Grant
Harriman Center for Russian, East European, & Eurasian Studies, Columbia
University, and the International Center for the Study of Institutions and
Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia
- 2017-18 Heilbroner Center for Capitalism Studies Dissertation Fellowship
The New School for Social Research
- 2017 Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award
The New School for Social Research
- 2014-15 Trajectories of Change Fieldwork Grant
ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucorius Foundation, Hamburg, Germany
- 2012-13 Politics Department Dissertation Fellowship
The New School for Social Research

LANGUAGE COMPETENCE

Russian: working proficiency
Portuguese: limited working proficiency
French: reading proficiency
Czech: conversational knowledge

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA)
Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)