

**EMPLOYMENT**

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

2008 – now

**EDUCATION**

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
Ph.D. in Government, March 2009  
Dissertation: “Political Construction of Property Rights in Emerging Markets”  
Committee: Tim Colton, Peter Hall, Torben Iversen, Yoshiko Herrera

University of Oxford, United Kingdom  
Visiting Student at St.Peter’s College (one year): Tutorials in Philosophy, Politics, Economics

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  
B.A. in Philosophy, Politics, Economics, 2002: *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, honors in PPE

**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

“Secure Property as a Bottom-Up Process: Firms, Stakeholders, and Predators in Weak States,” *World Politics*, April 2012, 64 (2): forthcoming

“Corporate Governance as Political Insurance: Firm-level Institutional Creation in Emerging Markets and Beyond,” *Socio-Economic Review*, 2008, 6 (1): 69-98.

“Capitalists of All Russia, Unite! Business Mobilization under Debilitated Dirigisme,” *Polity*, 2007, 39 (3): 277–304. (Lead Article)

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS / WORKING PAPERS (SELECTED)**

“Institutional Complementarity, Economic Performance, and Governance: the Post-Communist World and Beyond,” manuscript under review, 2011 (with Martin Mendelski)

Book review: Daniel Treisman, “The Return: Russia’s Journey from Gorbachev to Medvedev” (New York, NY: Free Press, 2011), *Perspectives on Politics* (forthcoming)

Book review: Andrew Barnes, “Owning Russia: The Struggle over Factories, Farms, and Power” (Ithaca, NY: Cornell U. Press, 2006), *Eurasian Geography and Economics*, 2007, 48 (1): 121-4.

“Post-Communist Transition: Who is Riding the Second Wave of Reforms?” Working Paper, 2006.

“Western Capital vs. the Russian State: Towards an Explanation of Recent Trends in Russia’s Corporate Governance,” Harvard University, Center for European Studies Working Paper No. 63, 2005.

“The Beauty and the Beast: Organized Business in Early and Late Capitalism” Working Paper, 2005.

“A Dynamic Model of Corporatism and State-Business Relations in Russia” Working Paper, 2004.

“Resource Boom as Democracy Boon? Reexamining the Link between Oil and Regime Type” Working Paper, 2003 (with Maria Popova)

“Russia’s Reform Politics: Beyond Partial Reform Equilibrium,” Honors Thesis, University of Pennsylvania, 2002.

**AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS (SELECTED)**

Harvard Academy Scholarship, two-year award, 4 recipients out of 350 applicants	2008
Max Weber Fellowship, European University Institute, Florence, one-year award	
Padma Desai Research Prize	2007
Center for European Studies Graduate Summer Travel Grant	
Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, one-year award	
Maurice Lazarus Fund Award	2006
Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute Fellowship	
Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute Travel Grant	
Center for European Studies Opportunity Grant	
Krupp Foundation Graduate Dissertation Research Fellowship, one-year award	2005
Jens Aubrey Westengard Scholarship	
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Travel Grant	
Asia Center Travel Grant	
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Pre-Dissertation Grant	
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies Travel Grant	2004
Douglas Dillon Fellowship, Harvard University, full tuition and stipend	2002
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Fellowship, Washington, D.C., one-year award	
Goldstone Prize for best honors thesis in the department, University of Pennsylvania	
Oxford University Junior Year Fellowship, one-year award	2000
University of Pennsylvania Scholarship, awarded to 2% of international applicants	1998

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS / INVITED ACADEMIC VISITS (SELECTED)**

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Chicago, IL	2010
• Paper: "Secure Property as a Bottom-Up Process"	
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Los Angeles, CA	2009
• Paper: "Business Survival and the State in Emerging Markets"	
International Society for New Institutional Economics, Berkeley, CA	
• Paper: "Secure Property as a Bottom-up Process: Firms, Stakeholders, and Predators in Weak States"	
Political Economy Colloquium, UW Madison, WI	
• Paper: "Property Rights from Property Fights"	

- Harvard Business School, MA 2008
- Colloquium invitation: International Research Conference
- American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL 2007
- Paper: "Institutional Engineering and Convergence"
- Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL
- Paper: "Corporate Governance as Political Insurance"
- Max Planck Summer Conference on Economy and Society, Ringberg Castle, Germany
- Paper: "Firm-Level Institutional Creation in Emerging Markets and Beyond"
- Stanford University, CA 2006
- Colloquium invitation: Corporate Restructuring in East Asia
- Institute for Humane Studies, Stanford University, CA
- Interdisciplinary workshop invitation: Social Change
- European Consortium for Political Research, Budapest, Hungary 2005
- Paper: "Defensive Institutional Engineering and Global Institutional Convergence"
- Peking University, Beijing, People's Republic of China
- Invitation for one semester in residence as Visiting Scholar
- Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
- Invitation to deliver a lecture: Privatization in Russia
- Social Science Research Council, Harvard University, MA
- Dissertation development workshop invitation: Governing Eurasia
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Toronto, Canada 2003
- Paper: "Capitalists of All Russia, Unite! Entrepreneurial Collective Action and State"

### TEACHING

- "Economic Development: Strategies and Institutions" (graduate), University of Chicago
- "Business and State" (graduate), University of Chicago
- "Social Science Inquiry" (undergraduate), University of Chicago
- "Russian Politics" (undergraduate), University of Chicago
- "Topics in Comparative Politics and International Relations" (undergraduate), Harvard University
- Evaluated 4.9 out of 5 on overall effectiveness by students; Certificate of Distinction in Teaching

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Manuscript Reviewer for *World Politics*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Socio-Economic Review*, etc ongoing
- Faculty Search Committee, Dept of Political Science, University of Chicago 2010 – 11

Comparative Politics Workshop, Faculty Co-Director (with Dan Slater), University of Chicago  
 Fulbright Campus Evaluation Committee in The College, University of Chicago  
 “BRIC in 2020 Conference,” Co-Organizer and Panel Moderator, University of Chicago  
 American Political Science Association, Panel Discussant, Seattle, WA  
 Graduate Admissions Committee, Dept of Political Science, University of Chicago 2009 – 10  
 Midwest Political Science Association, Panel Discussant, Chicago, IL 2007  
 Tutor, Lowell House, Harvard University 2004 – 05  
 Intellectual and Cultural Fellow, Dudley House, Harvard University 2003 – 04

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris, France 2006 – 07  
*Consultant (Project on Russian corporate governance)*  
 Exclusive Analysis Ltd, London, UK 2006 – 07  
*Country Analyst for Russia and China*  
 Goldman Sachs, London, UK 2000  
*Summer Analyst (Credit Risk Management & Advisory)*

### SKILLS

#### Languages

- Russian: native fluency
- German: native fluency
- French: fluent reading, proficient speaking and comprehension
- Ukrainian: fluent reading, proficient speaking and comprehension
- Mandarin: 2,000+ character reading capacity, beginner’s level speaking and comprehension

#### Software

- R
- Stata
- LaTeX