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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### **Southern Illinois University Edwardsville**

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science 2013-present

### **Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute**

Visiting Professor Summer 2017

### **Indiana University Maurer School of Law**

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Law, Society and Culture 2012-2013

### **University of Washington**

Lecturer, Department of Political Science 2010-2012

Affiliated Faculty Member, Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies 2012

## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD</b>	University of Washington	December 2011	Political Science
	<i>Committee: Stephen Hanson, Jamie Mayerfeld, Rachel Cichowsky, Anthony Gill</i>		
	<i>Fields of study: Comparative Politics, Public Law, Post-Communism</i>		
<b>MA</b>	University of Washington	December 2005	Political Science
<b>MS</b>	Utah State University	December 2003	Political Science
<b>BA</b>	Utah State University	May 2001	Broadcast Journalism
	Uzhgorod State University, Ukraine	attended 1995-1998	Medical School

**Certificate:** Comparative Law and Society Studies, University of Washington, 2011

**Dissertation:** Human Rights and Law Enforcement in the Post-Soviet World, or How and Why Judges and Police Bend the Law

**Current Book Project:** The Ukrainian Revolution

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2015, Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, Eugene and Daymel Shklar Postdoctoral Fellow
- 2015, CAD Research Grant, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, University of Alberta
- 2015, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Program (URCA) Grant, FOR SPRING 2016
- 2016, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Program (URCA) Grant, FOR FALL 2016
- 2015, Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Program (URCA) Grant, FOR SPRING 2017
- 2015, Recommended for the Assisted Research Time Grant by the CAS committee (declined)
- 2009-2010 Dissertation Writing Fellowship, University of Washington Graduate School
- 2007-2008 IREX-IARO Dissertation Research Grant
- 2007 University of Washington Graduate School Chester-Fritz Research Grant

- 2005-2006 FLAS Fellow (Foreign Language/Area Studies Fellowship to study intermediate Persian and the political systems of the Middle East and Central Asia)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### PEER-REVIEWED:

- “Cause Lawyering in Revolutionary Ukraine” forthcoming in the *Journal of Law and Courts*
- “Majoritarian Values and Women’s Rights: Police and Judicial Behavior in Tajikistan and Azerbaijan” in the *Post-Soviet Affairs* vol. 33, no. 4, March 2017
- “Courts, Police and Journalists: Overlooked Support for Press Freedom in Post-Soviet Authoritarian States” in *Problems of Post-Communism* vol. 59, no. 5, September–October 2012, pp. 6-17

### BOOK REVIEWS:

- Wolfram et al, *The Emergence of Ukraine*, forthcoming in *Harvard Ukrainian Studies* (2017)
- Jothie Rajan, *Authoritarian Rule of Law: Legislation, Discourse and Legitimacy in Singapore 2012*. *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies*, Volume 21, Issue 1, Winter 2014
- Andrew Wilson, *Ukraine’s Orange Revolution*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2005. *Comparative Political Studies*, Volume 40 Number 2, February 2007 1-4, 2007

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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- “The Ukrainian Revolution: Repression, Interpretation and Dissent”
- *The Ukrainian Revolution* (book manuscript)
- Book Review of Henry E. Hale, Robert W. Orttung, 2016. *Beyond the Euromaidan: comparative perspectives on advancing reform in Ukraine* for *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*
- Book Review of Paul Magosci. 2016. *With Their Backs to the Mountains: A History of Carpathian Rus’ and Carpatho-Rusyns*, for *Harvard Ukrainian Studies*

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE

Comparative Law

Western European Politics

Eastern European Political Systems in Transition

Women and Cross-National Politics

Senior Assignment

## Introduction to Political Science

LECTURER, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Soviet and Post-Soviet Government and Politics,

*Summer 2008, Winter 2010, Winter 2011*

Women's Rights as Human Rights, *Spring 2011*

International Human Rights Law, *Autumn 2011*

Soviet and Russian Foreign Policy, *Winter 2012*

Comparative Law and Courts, *Spring 2012*

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (RECEIVED FULL TRAVEL AND PARTICIPATION GRANTS):**

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Young Scholars Workshop, Brigham Young University, June, 2015

Engaging the Law in Eurasia and Eastern Europe, Workshop Series, Woodrow Wilson Center Kennan Institute, January 2013

Gender in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Eastern Europe and Eurasia, IREX/Woodrow Wilson Center Kennan Institute/Dept. of State Symposium, Washington D.C., April 6-8, 2011

International Graduate Summer School on the Cultural Study of the Law, Osnabrück, Germany, August 4-18, 2010

Dissertation Development Workshop, West Coast Law and Society Graduate Student Retreat, Stanford University, September, 2009

Dissertation Development Workshop, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, October, 2008

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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"Cause Lawyering in Revolutionary Ukraine," 2017. Paper presented at the Brigham Young University Political Science Conference, Provo

"The Role of Churches and Clergy in the Ukrainian Revolutionary Movement," 2016. Paper presented at the Association for Slavic, Eastern European and Eurasian Studies International Conference

"Ukraine's Maidan and the Theory of Social Revolutions," 2016. Paper presented at the Comparative Politics Seminar, Harvard Davis Center of Russian and Eurasian Studies

"Cause Lawyering in Revolutionary Ukraine," 2015. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, Seattle

"Revolution Deconstructed: Ukraine's Maidan," 2014. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Association of Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, San Antonio

"Battered Women and the Black Hole of Post-Soviet Legal Reform in Ukraine," 2014. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago

“Legal Reform and Family Violence in Ukraine,” 2013. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, Boston

“Women’s Rights and Law Enforcement Behavior in the Post-Soviet World,” 2011. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle

“Soviet Policies of Suppression and Post-Soviet National Revival: the Implications for Religious Minorities.” 2011 Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies Northwest Conference, Seattle

“Policy Implications: Research regarding Women’s Rights in the Post-Soviet World,” 2011. Poster presented at the U.S. Department of State, Washington D.C.

“Women’s Rights, Law Enforcement Behavior and Policy Implications for the Post-Soviet World,” 2011. Paper presented at the IREX/Woodrow Wilson Center Kennan Institute Symposium, Washington D.C.

“Human Rights and Law Enforcement Behavior in the Former Soviet States.” August, 2010. Paper presented at the International Graduate Summer School on the Cultural Study of the Law, Osnabrück, Germany

“Nationalism, Ethnic Minorities and Judicial Behavior in the Post-Soviet World,” 2010. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Western Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco

“The Role of Courts in the Development of Human Rights in the Post-Soviet World,” 2008. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia

“The Role of Courts and Police in the Development and Suppression of Human Rights in the Post-Soviet World,” 2008. Paper presented at the Annual International Young Researchers Conference, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio

“Women’s Rights in the Countries of the Former Soviet Union: Islam, National Identity and Law Enforcement,” 2008. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, Montreal, Quebec

“Post-Orange Ukraine and Civil Liberties,” 2008. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Russian, Eastern European and Central Asian Studies Northwest Conference, Portland

“The Effects of Publicity on Judicial Decision-Making in the Countries of the Former Soviet Union,” 2007. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Law and Society Association, Berlin, Germany

“Social Theory, The Orange Revolution and Press Freedom: Democratization in Post-communist World,” 2006. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Russian, Eastern European and Central Asian Studies Northwest Conference, Tacoma,

Washington. Also presented at the Graduate Organization for the Study of Europe and Central Asia Annual Conference, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

## **SERVICE**

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### DEPARTMENT:

- Political Science Undergraduate Research Committee, Spring 2017
- Political Science Honor Day (Scholarship Selection) Committee, *Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2017*
- Merit Review Committee, *Spring 2014, Spring 2017*
- Senior Assignment Committee, *Spring 2016, 2017*
- Comparative Politics Committee, *Fall 2014*

### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:

- CAS Curriculum Committee Fall 2016-present
- CAS Teaching Excellence Award Committee, *Fall 2015*
- CAS Congress Policies Committee, *Fall 2014*

### UNIVERSITY:

- SIUE Segue Radio Show, September 2014, April 2015
- “The Future of Europe: The Role of the Neo-Fascist Parties” Lecture presented March, 2017 at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Lifelong Learning, Edwardsville, Illinois
- “Refugee Crisis.” Lecture presented March, 2016 at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Lifelong Learning, Edwardsville, Illinois
- “Russia’s Near Abroad.” Lecture presented February 4, 2015 at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Lifelong Learning, Edwardsville, Illinois

Lectures on the topic “The Ukrainian Revolution and Russian Invasion” presented at the following SIUE venues:

- College of Arts and Sciences, SIUE, March 2014
- Mass Communication Week 2015, April 2015
- Communication Department symposium “Media in the Age of Surveillance,” 2014
- Anthropology 470B, *Politics, Law and Human Rights in Cross-Cultural Perspective*, 2014

### PROFESSIONAL:

- BEST ENGLISH-LANGUAGE BOOK AWARD COMMITTEE, AMERICAN UKRAINIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION, 2016-PRESENT
- PANEL ORGANIZER, International ASEES convention in Lviv in 2016, Ukraine

- PANEL ORGANIZER, ASEEEES Convention in Chicago in 2017
- PEER REVIEWER, POLYMATH, 2014
- “The Ukrainian EuroMaidan Revolution: Actors and Their Motivations.” Lecture presented November 9, 2015 at the Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts
- “The Ukrainian Revolution and Russian Invasion.” Lecture presented May 12, 2014 at North Central College, Naperville, Illinois
- “Ukraine’s Revolution: Winter 2013-2014.” Lecture presented April 21, 2014 at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana

COMMUNITY:

- Consulting for legal team on an asylum case for member of the LGBT community from Ukraine in 2016
- “Soviet Collapse: Causes and Legacies.” Lecture presented October 8, 2011 for the Washington State Council for the Social Studies, Edmonds, Washington
- “Comparing Women’s Rights in the U.S. and Azerbaijan; Concept of Individual Rights in the West,” 2008. Lecture presented at the Women’s Rights Legal Group (“Chistyj Mir”), Baku, Azerbaijan

**LANGUAGES**

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ENGLISH, UKRAINIAN, RUSSIAN, INTERMEDIATE PERSIAN, BASIC HEBREW

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION  
ASSOCIATION FOR SLAVIC, EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES