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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Columbia University, Columbia Business School, July 2018 – present

EDUCATION

2013-2018 **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)**, Anderson School of Management
Ph.D. in Economics,
Global Economics and Management
Dissertation: “Essays on the Economic Effects of Convict Labor in Modern U.S. History”
Dissertation committee: Paola Giuliano (co-chair), Romain T. Wacziarg (co-chair),
Christian Dippel, Daniel N. Posner, Peter E. Rossi, and Nico Voigtländer.

2010-2012 **New Economic School (NES)**, Economics Department
MA in Economics,
Economic Policy, Finance

2010-2012 **Moscow State University (MSU)**, Institute of Asia and Africa Studies
MA in Oriental and African Studies,
International Economic Relations of Asian and African Countries

2006-2010 **Moscow State University (MSU)**, Institute of Asia and Africa Studies
BA in Oriental and African Studies,
Socioeconomic Development of Asian and African Countries

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

Working papers:

- “Economic Consequences of the U.S. Convict Labor System” (under review)
- “Regime Stability and the Persistence of Traditional Practices” (under review)
- “Do Private Prisons Affect Criminal Sentencing?” (with Christian Dippel) (under review)
- “How Common are Judicial Electoral Cycles in Criminal Sentencing?” (with Christian Dippel) (under review)
- “Conservative News Media and Criminal Justice: Evidence from Exposure to Fox News Channel” (with Elliott Ash) (under review)
- “State Capacity and Demand for Identity: Evidence from Political Instability in Mali” (with Maxim Ananyev) (being revised)
- “Information Acquisition and Projecting Invincibility in Authoritarian Elections” (with Maxim Ananyev) (under review)
- “Roots of Intolerance: Impact of Religious Missions on Modern Anti-Gay Sentiments in Sub-Saharan Africa” (with Maxim Ananyev) (being revised)
- “U.S. Convict Labor System and its Effects on Incarceration and Racial Discrimination”
- “Effects of Student Diversity on Education and Later-Life Outcomes: Evidence from Chile” (with Juan Angel Matamala Gonzalez)

Work in progress:

- “Why Aren’t People Leaving “Janesville”?: Industry Persistence, Trade Shocks and Mobility” (with Sebastian Ottinger)
- “Human Capital, Prison Work, and the Labor Market: Evidence from three Centuries of Prison Labor in the U.S.” (with Riccardo Marchingiglio)
- “Top Executives’ Ancestral Characteristics and Firm Outcomes” (with Yuqing Zhou)
- “Estimating Socioeconomic Status from Survey Data Using Models of Hierarchical Consumption” (with Maxim Ananyev)
- “Who Reaps Gains From Trade? Trade and Inequality in Diverse Societies: Evidence from Africa” (with Maxim Ananyev)
- “Does Language Matter in Economic Behavior? Eliciting Language Effects from an Experiment with Bilinguals”(with Stefano Fiorin, Vasily Korovkin and Yuan Tian)
- “Abolishment of Harmful Practices: A Comparison of Foot-binding and Female Genital Mutilation” (with Lingwei Wu)
- “Passing for a Russian: Identity Choice and the 1933 Soviet Famine” (with Natalya Naumenko)

Books chapters and policy papers:

- “Media in Russia: Between Modernization and Monopoly” (with Maria Lipman and Anna Kachkaeva), book chapter, in Daniel Treisman ed., “The New Autocracy: Information, Politics, and Policy in Putin’s Russia,” Brookings Institution Press, 2018
- “Developing Mechanisms to Enhance the Russian Development Innovation Institutions” (with J. Lerner, A. Leamon, C. Allen, V. Bosiljevac, S. Guriev, M. Gorban, A. Semenov, and A. Suvorov), 2012;

TEACHING

- “Theory and Application of Regression Analysis” (MGMT204B) (PhD course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Peter E. Rossi (Anderson UCLA), Winter 2016
- “Doing Business in Emerging Markets” (MGMT297E) (MBA/FEMBA course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Sebastián Edwards (Anderson UCLA), Spring 2015, Winter 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018
- “The Global Economy” (MGMT406) (MBA/FEMBA course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Sebastián Edwards (Anderson UCLA), Spring 2015, Winter 2017, Winter 2018
- “International Studies in Chile” (MGMT458A/B) (MBA/FEMBA course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Sebastián Edwards (Anderson UCLA), Fall 2015-Winter 2016
- “Managerial Economics” (MGMT405) (MBA course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Paola Giuliano (Anderson UCLA), Fall 2014
- “Financial Risk Management” (Graduate course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Alexei Goriaev (NES), Summer 2013
- “Empirics of Financial Markets” (Graduate course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Igor Kheifets (NES), Spring 2013
- “Development Economics” (Graduate course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Paul Dower (NES), Winter 2013
- “Asset Pricing” (Graduate course), Grading Assistant, Prof. Oleg Shibanov (NES), Fall 2012
- “Derivatives” (Graduate course), Grading Assistant, Prof. Dmitry Makarov (NES), Fall 2012
- “Financial Markets and Instruments” (Graduate course), Teaching Assistant, Prof. Alexei Goriaev (NES), Spring 2012, Spring 2013

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Hayek Fund for Scholars Research Grant, 2018
- UCLA Harold and Pauline Price Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation Research Grant, 2017-2018
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2017
- UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate Research Grant, 2017-2018
- Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2017-2018
- EHA Exploratory Travel and Data Grant, 2017
- Marvin Hoffenberg Research Fellow, CAPPP UCLA, 2016-2017
- Searle Freedom Trust Scholar, IHS PhD Scholarship, 2016-2017
- UCLA Anderson Dean's Award, 2016
- APSA Travel Grants, 2016
- RES Conference Grant, 2016
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2015
- UCLA Anderson Dean's Award, 2015
- Russell Sage Foundation's Small Grant in Behavioral Economics, 2015
- IHS Conference & Research Grant, 2015
- Center for Global Management PhD Global Research Award, 2014
- Anderson Fellowship, UCLA, 2013-2017
- Best student on Economic Policy specialization at NES, 2012
- BP Scholarship for excellence in studies, 2011-2012

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- AALIMS (Association for Analytical Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies) (April 2016 – present)
- INET (Institute for New Economic Thinking) (August 2018 – present)
- CCPR (California Center for Population Research) (December 2014 – June 2018)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Jul 2016 – Oct 2017	Research Assistant to Prof. Paola Giuliano (UCLA Anderson)
Sep 2014 – Jun 2018	Teaching Assistant, UCLA Anderson School of Management
Jul 2014 – Jun 2018	Research Assistant to Prof. Sebastián Edwards (UCLA Anderson)
Jul 2012 – Jan 2014	Researcher, Center of Macroeconomic Research of the Institute of the Applied Economic Research, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Moscow, Russia
Mar 2012 – May 2013	Teaching Assistant, New Economic School, Moscow, Russia
May 2012 – Mar 2013	Researcher, International Trade Department, Gaidar Institute for Economic Policy, Moscow, Russia
Jul 2012 – Jan 2013	Research Assistant to Prof. Sergei Guriev (Sciences Po)
Aug 2012 – Dec 2012	Research Assistant to Prof. Shlomo Weber (SMU)
Jun 2009 – Aug 2009	Internship at Institute of Urban Economics, Moscow, Russia
Jul 2008 – Aug 2008	Internship at Center for Fiscal Policy, Moscow, Russia

Seminars:

The Urban Institute (upcoming); Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College; University of Zürich, Economics; ETH Zürich, Law & Economics; Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College; CERGE-EI, Economics Department; UNSW, School of Economics; LSE, Department of Economic History; UC Irvine, Economics Department.

Selected Conferences and Workshops:

EHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA (upcoming); EEA-ESEM Manchester, UK, 2019 (upcoming); Society for Economic Dynamics Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, 2019 (upcoming) NA Econometric Society Summer Meeting, Seattle, WA (upcoming); ASREC Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2019; ASSA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 2018; UEA Annual Meeting, New York, 2018; INET Taskforce Annual Meeting, New York, NY, 2018; Cliometric Society Annual Meeting, Tallahassee, FL, 2018; EHS Annual Conference, Keele University, UK, 2018; ASREC Annual Conference, Orange, CA, 2018; All-UC Economic History Group Graduate Student Workshop, Davis, CA, 2017; All-California Labor Economics, Palo Alto, CA, 2017 (poster); SIOE Conference, New York, NY, 2017; ALEA Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT, 2017; UC BPP-GEM Workshop, Monterey, CA, 2017; AALIMS-Pomona Graduate Student Workshop, Claremont, CA, 2017 (presented by co-author); PACDEV Conference, UC Riverside, 2017; ASREC Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2017; ASSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2017; All-UC Economic History Conference, UC Davis, 2016; SIOE Conference, Paris, France, 2016; UC BPP-GEM Workshop, Santa Barbara, CA, 2016; AALIMS-Stanford Graduate Student Workshop, Palo Alto, CA, 2016; CSAE Conference, Oxford, UK, 2016; ASREC Annual Conference, Orange, CA, 2016 (presented by co-author); UC BPP-GEM Workshop, San Luis Obispo, CA, 2015; PAA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2015; RES Annual Conference, Manchester, UK, 2015 (presented by co-author).

SKILLS

Language skills: English and Hebrew – fluent; French – intermediate; Arabic, Chinese, and German– basic; Russian – native. Computer skills: R, MATLAB, Stata, ArcGIS, Python, Mathematica, EViews, SPSS, GAUSS, VBA, MS Office, L^AT_EX, L^AX.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- Anderson GEM student representative, 2014-2015;
- Language Study Course (Hebrew), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem/ The Rothberg International School, Certificate of Fluency in Hebrew Language, 2008;
- Candidate for Master of Sport in Chess, 2005.

Personal

Citizen of Russia.