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EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

PhD. Comparative Political Science

2016 - 2023

Certificate in the Advanced Quantitative Methodology

2023

M.A., Social Sciences

2015

St. John's College, Annapolis, MD

B.A. Liberal Arts and Sciences

2014

SKILLS

Software ◊ R, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX, GitHub, MSOffice

Methodology ◊ Survey Experiments, Regression, Panel Data Methods, In-depth Interviews, Content Analysis

Courses ◊ Linear Models, Causal Inference, Machine Learning, MLE, Computing for the Social Sciences

Communication ◊ Science & general audience writing, presenting, data visualisation, teaching

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Mixed Methods PhD Researcher • The University of Chicago

2016-

- Designed a survey experiment to measure the impact of prior exposure to ideologically charged content on viewer susceptibility to the influence of biased and false news on YouTube
- Used supervised and unsupervised learning techniques to classify textual data scraped from social media
- Worked on data wrangling and quantitative analysis in R for several concurrent projects
- Used a combination of original quantitative and interview data to conduct a study of the changing system of career incentives and professional motives of state employees
- Conducted 20+ in-depth interviews with members of Russian political elite, prosecutors, lawyers and legal experts to identify the causes for the increased number of criminal charges against local political elites
- Independently hired, trained and supervised a team of 5 research assistants
- Collaborated and coauthored with teams of scholars on cross-functional projects

Qualitative & Ethnographic Researcher • Summer Research Internships

2012, 2014

- Used content analysis method to identify media frames on Russian television news programs and derived hypotheses about their potential effect on the viewer
- Conducted ethnographic interviews for the project on the lives and motivations of anti-fascist youth groups in St. Petersburg, Russia

COMMUNICATION

Workshop Coordinator • The University of Chicago

2020-2021

- Coordinated, scheduled and managed faculty, graduate students, and outside speakers to run a workshop series with 40+ attendees
- Strategized to increase diversity of presenters and accessibility of the workshop

Volunteer Tutor • GirlForward

2020-2021

- Communicated complex ideas in an accessible way to refugee girls with varying levels of prior education, knowledge of English, familiarity with and access to technology

Instructor & Teaching Assistant • The University of Chicago

2018-2020

- Designed and taught a course on applied quantitative methodology in social sciences
- Coordinated, led discussion groups and graded assignments for small (5+) and large (100+) undergraduate and graduate courses

WRITING & EDITING

- **Academic Writing** ◊ Published research in 5+ peer-reviewed journals, textbooks, and editorials
- **General Audience Writing** ◊ Collaborated with a group of scholars on a Washington Post's *Monkey Cage* article about potential responses to Russia's online interference
- **Editing & Translation** ◊ Edited and translated academic submissions for an issue of *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization*