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Research Interests

Contentious Politics, Authoritarian Politics, Political Regimes, Political Participation, Computational Methods in Social Sciences

Education

- 2021 – Present **Griffith University** – Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
PhD in Political Science
- 2017 – 2019 **Shanghai Jiao Tong University** – Shanghai, China
MA in Political Science
- 2009 – 2013 **Ural State Pedagogical University** – Yekaterinburg, Russia
BA in International Relations

Research Experience

- 04/2023 – Present **Griffith University – Research Assistant**
Dr Lee Morgenbesser
The Rise of Counterfeit Election Observers (Australian Research Council Discovery Fellowship Grant)
- Data collection and verification using manual and computational methods
 - Collection of relevant academic literature for further literature review
- 01/2023 – 08/2023 **Queensland University of Technology – Senior Research Assistant**
Dr Sofya Glazunova
Anti-Regime Publics: A Case Study of Russia's Full-Scale Invasion of Ukraine (QUT Early Career Researcher Grant)
- Study design including theoretical framework and methodology
 - Data collection and wrangling (Python)
 - Machine learning (PyTorch) and NLP model for binary text classification (BERT)
 - Network analysis (Gephi)
 - Co-authoring three publications (Ongoing submissions)

12/2021 – Present

Griffith University – Research Assistant

Dr Ellie Martus

Russian Climate Politics (Griffith University New Researcher Grant; Climate Social Science Network Grant)

- Data collection and wrangling using manual and computational methods
- Collecting relevant academic, grey literature and industry reports
- Literature review
- Data backup and access due to growing restrictions imposed by the Russian government
- Policy analysis and translation of relevant documents.

Publications

Books

- 2024 **The Evolution of Authoritarianism and Contentious Action in Russia**
Cambridge University Press, Cambridge Elements series on Contentious Politics, ed. David S. Meyer and Suzanne Staggenborg
<https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009560672>

Articles Under Review

- 2025 **Automating Protest Event Analysis Using LLMs**
Book, single author
- 2024 **The Impact of Electoral Manipulation and Repression on Contentious Action in Authoritarian Regimes**
Research article, single author
- 2024 **The Impact of Electoral Manipulation and Repression on Contentious Action in Authoritarian Regimes**
Research article, single author
- 2024 **The Role of Pro-Regime Rallies in Authoritarian Contentious Politics: Evidence From Russia**
Research article, single author
- 2024 **Anti-Regime Publics: A Case Study of Russia’s Full-Scale Invasion of Ukraine**
Research article, co-authored.
- 2024 **Identifying Anti-Regime Publics Using Computational Methods**
Research article, co-authored.

Theses and Term Papers

- 2024 **Contentious Action in Authoritarian and Democratic Regimes**
Doctoral dissertation, 2024 (November submission)
- 2019 **Explaining the Cycle of Protest in the Reformed Russia Between 2011 and 2018**
21,000 words, Master’s thesis, 2019

- 2013 **The Revolution Phenomenon in International Relations**
30,000 words, Bachelor's thesis
- 2012 **Arab Spring as a Factor of International Relations Development in the XXI Century**
12,000 words, term paper (research)
- 2011 **The Perspectives of International Relationships Development in the XXI Century: The Concepts of S. Huntington and F. Fukuyama**
8,000 words, term paper (research).

Conferences, Fellowships, and Additional Training

- 03/2024 **Overcoming State Censorship: Computational Analysis of Protests in Russia**
American Political Science Association (APSA) Workshop
APSA Centennial Centre, Washington, D.C., USA
- 02/2024 - 03/2024 **APSA Visiting Scholar Program Fellow**
APSA Headquarters Centennial Centre, Washington, D.C., USA
- 09/2023 **Explaining the Relationship between Pro-government and Opposition Participation** – Research Paper Presenter
Popular Support for and Resistance to Authoritarian Regimes
APSA 119th Meeting and Exhibition, Los Angeles, California, USA
- 08/2023 **The Evolution of Authoritarianism and Contentious Action in Russia** – Research Seminar Series Presenter
Centre for Governance and Public Policy 2023 Research Seminar Series
School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
- 02/2023 **Economic Sanctions and Human Rights** – Keynote Speaker
United Nations Association of Australia, Brisbane, Australia
- 02/2023 **The Game Changers of Contentious Repertoires in Russian Regions** – Research Paper Presenter
War, Peace, and the Post-Pandemic World: Eurasian Perspectives
Australian Association of Communist and Post-Communist Studies 16th Biennial Conference, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
- 06/2022 **The Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS)** – Program Participant
Intensive training in Computational Social Science for researchers including seminars, group exercises, and presenting interdisciplinary research projects.
Sydney Social Sciences and Humanities Advanced Research Centre, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia
- 09/2014 - 04/2015 **Turkish Language Program**
Istanbul University Language Centre, Istanbul, Turkey
- 09/2013 - 05/2014 **Chinese Language Program**
Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, China

- 03/2013 **Defining International Law in Russia** – Conference Presenter
Integration Processes and Legal Support of National Security Conference
Plekhanov Russian University of Economics, Yekaterinburg, Russia
- 09/2011 **Voices for Peace: Using Non-Violent Action as a Tool to Deal with Conflicts** –
Program Participant
Youth in Action Training Program (EU initiative), Kobuleti, Georgia
- 05/2011 **Regional Studies with Special Consideration of Language Acquisition and In-
tercultural Communication** (Landeskunde unter besonderer Berücksichtigung des
Spracherwerbs und der interkulturelle Kommunikation) – Program Participant
International Forum Burg Liebenzell - Academy for Political Education and International
Youth Encounters, Bad Liebenzell, Germany

Service

- 08/2022 – 03/2024 **Board of Graduate Research (BGR)**
International HDR Representative
Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
- 07/2022 – 03/2024 **HDR Representative Consultative Committee**
**HDR Representative for School of Government and International Relations and
BGR Member**
Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
- 07/2022 – 03/2024 **HDR Candidate Representative**
School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
- 11/2022 – 11/2023 **Griffith University Postgraduate Student Association (GUPSA)**
Research Officer; Co-Chair
Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia
- 11/2022 – 11/2023 **Student Experience Sub-Committee (SESC)**
GUPSA Representative
Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia

Scholarships

- 2024 Griffith University Completion Assistance Postgraduate Research Scholarship [CAPRS](#)
- 2021-2024 Griffith University International Postgraduate Research Scholarship [GUIPRS](#)
Griffith University Postgraduate Research Scholarship [GUPRS](#)
- 2017-2019 Shanghai Jiao Tong University – MA Program [SJTU Scholarship](#)
- 2014 Türkiye Government Scholarships – MA in International Relations at Istanbul University
including Turkish Prep Course ([TürkiyeBursları](#))

Other Grants

- 2024 **Centre for Governance and Public Policy, School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University**
Research Support Funding Scheme
APSA Visiting Scholar Fellowship travel assistance grant
- 2023 **Centre for Governance and Public Policy, School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University**
Research Support Funding Scheme
APSA 2023 travel costs and accommodation grant
- 2023 **Google Research**
Google Cloud Education Program
Grant in credits for research and data collection using Google Cloud platform
- 2023 **Centre for Governance and Public Policy, School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University**
Research Support Funding Scheme
Cambridge Elements submission research grant for data collection and research-related expenses
- 2022 **Sydney Social Sciences and Humanities Advanced Research Centre, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney**
Travel grant to attend the Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS)
- 2011 **Youth in Action Programme, EU's mobility and non-formal education program**
Travel and accommodation grant to attend the "Voices for Peace: Using nonviolent action as a tool to deal with conflicts" training course

Other Experience

- Trimester 2 2023 **Teaching assistant**
The Way of Dictator Assignment marking
- 05/2011 - 05/2017 **Appen, LanguageInsight, Lionbridge, Relevant Media, thebigword (Translator, Transcriber, Editor, Copywriter, and Search Engine Evaluator – Independent Freelance Contractor)**
- Translation of articles, including technical and academic pieces, from English into Russian
 - Manual transcription services in English, Russian, and German
 - Writing copy for websites, brochures, and other means of advertising
 - Editing and proofreading content produced by other authors as needed
- 01/2012 - 02/2012 **The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Internship**
An internship at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, acquiring fundamental knowledge of its organisational structure and key responsibilities.

Professional Memberships

- 2023 – Present **Australian Association of Communist and Post-Communist Studies**
Executive committee member as an HDR Representative of the Association
- 2023 – Present **American Political Science Association**

Technical Skills

Python (scikit-learn, pytorch, TensorFlow, matplotlib, etc.), R, SQL
L^AT_EX, HTML, CSS, PHP
Gephi, Tableau
VAR; ARIMA; Prophet
BERT; OpenAI GPT API; Gemini Twitter (X) API, VK API, YouTube API
Training, fine-tuning and deployment of large language models using remote machines and HPC clusters.

Languages

English (fluent), Russian (native), Chinese (advanced), German and Turkish (beginner)

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