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**ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Associate Professor of Government and Politics, August 2011-Present.

Assistant Professor of Government and Politics, August 2005-August 2011.

Iowa State University, Ames, IA

Assistant Professor of Political Science, August 2003-July 2005.

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Postdoctoral Fellow in Central Asian Studies, August 2002-July 2003.

**EDUCATION**

Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey

*Ph.D.* in Politics, January 2003.

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York

*B.A.* with Honors in Political Science (Phi Beta Kappa, General Honors), 1995.

Yaroslavl' State University, Yaroslavl', Russian Federation

Visiting Student, 1993-1994.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

2010-Present. National Asia Research Program Fellow, *National Bureau of Asian Research and Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.*

2003-Present. Member, *PONARS-Eurasia* (Program on New Approaches to Research and Security in Eurasia).

**BOOK**

2011. *Chaos, Violence and Dynasty: Politics and Islam in Central Asia* (University of Pittsburgh Press).

## **PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

2011. "Exploring Regime Instability and Ethnic Violence in Kyrgyzstan," *Asia Policy* 12 (July): 79-98.
2009. "Searching for Kamalot: Political Patronage and Youth Politics in Uzbekistan," *Europe-Asia Studies* 61(7): 1137-1150.
2009. "Islamic Revivalism and State Failure in Kyrgyzstan," *Problems of Post-Communism* 56(3): 16-28.
2007. "Aiding the Internet in Central Asia," with Erica J. Johnson, *Democratization* 14(2): 273-288.
2006. "Islamic Leaders in Uzbekistan," *Asia Policy* 1(1): 123-144.
2006. "The Making of Militants: The State and Islam in Central Asia," *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 25(3): 554-566.
2004. "Kyrgyzstan Country Report," in *Countries at the Crossroads: A Survey of Governance, Human Rights, and the Rule of Law in 30 States* (Freedom House): 1-18.
2000. "Contours of Discontent? Demographics and Perceptions of Governance in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan," *Journal of Central Asian Studies* 5(1): 14-30.

## **CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES AND OTHER ACADEMIC ARTICLES**

2009. "Central Asian Protest Movements," in A. Wooden and C. Stefes, eds., *The Politics of Transition in Central Asia and the Caucasus* (Routledge).
2007. "Competing Islams: The Everyday Struggle for Faith in Uzbekistan," in J. Sahadeo & R. Zanca, eds., *Everyday Life in Central Asia* (Indiana University Press).
2005. "Autocrats, Islamists, and the Rise of Radicalism in Central Asia," *Current History* 104 (October).
2004. "Public Opinion Research in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan," in John G. Geer, ed., *Public Opinion and Polling Around the World* (ABC-CLIO).

## **COMMISSIONED STUDY (PEER-REVIEWED WITHIN THE US GOVERNMENT)**

2007. *A Study of Political Party Assistance in Eastern Europe and Eurasia*, co-author (USAID-commissioned study).

## **OPINION ARTICLES AND POLICY PAPERS**

2010. "Running in Circles in Kyrgyzstan," *The New York Times* (Op-Ed, April 10, 2010)
2009. "Three Perspectives on Political Islam in Central Asia," *PONARS Eurasia Policy Memo No. 76* (September)
2008. "An Opening in Uzbekistan," *PONARS Eurasia Policy Memo No. 14* (August)
2008. "Food, Protest and Political Instability in Central Asia," *Global Studies Review* (Summer)
2008. "Patronage, Islam, and the Rise of Localism in Central Asia," *PONARS Eurasia Policy Memo No. 2* (March)
2007. "Linking International Development and Political Party Building in Central Asia and the Caucasuses," *Global Studies Review* (Summer)
2005. "Avoiding the Great Game and Domestic Unrest in Eurasia," *PONARS Policy Memo No. 402*, Center for Strategic and International Studies (December)
2005. "Revolutions and Religion in Central Asia," *PONARS Policy Memo 364* (June)
2005. "Kyrgyz Democracy Gets Second Chance," *Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty* (April 8)
2003. "In For Life: Leadership Succession in Post-Soviet Central Asia," *PONARS Policy Memo 312* (November)
2000. "Powerless in Kyrgyzstan," *Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty* (July 13, 2000)

## **CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS AND BRIEFINGS**

2010. "A Region in Crisis – The Violent Conflict in Kyrgyzstan," *Congressional Hearing*, July 1.
2010. "Corruption, Repression, Extremism in Central Asia: Looking Beyond Kyrgyzstan," *Congressional Briefing* (Co-Sponsored: House Foreign Affairs Committee and Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty), May 19.
2009. "Approaching the OSCE Chairmanship: Kazakhstan 2010," *Congressional Hearing*, May 12.
2008. "Prospects for Change in Turkmenistan," *Congressional Hearing*, November 19.
2008. "Uzbekistan: Three Years After Andijan," *Congressional Briefing*, May 13.

2006. "Democracy in Tajikistan: Preview of the Presidential Election" *Congressional Briefing*, October 26.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

2008. "Russia's Islamic Threat," by Gordon M. Hahn, reviewed in *Slavic Review*, Winter 2008.

2006. "Modern Clan Politics: The Power of 'Blood' in Kazakhstan and Beyond," by Edward Schatz, reviewed in *Middle East Journal* 60(4): 805-807.

## **FACULTY RESEARCH GRANTS**

2003-Present. *National Science Foundation* Fellowship, Co-Principal Investigator, "The Effect of the Internet on Society: Incorporating Central Asia into the Global Perspective," Award #0326101.

2009-Present. *Social Science Research Center* Fellowship, Principal Investigator, Teaching Islam in Central Asia.

2010-Present. National Asia Research Program, *National Bureau of Asian Research and Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars*.

2008-Present. *Soros / Open Society Institute Fellowship*, Central Asian Research and Training Initiative.

2007-2008. *Social Science Research Center* Eurasia Teaching Fellowship.

2006-2007. *National Council for Eurasian and East European Research* Fellowship, Principal Investigator, Islam and Social Mobilization in Central Asia.

2003-2004. *Iowa State University* Faculty Development Grant to support research on Political Islam in Central Asia.

2003-2004. *Iowa State University* Small Research Grant to support Visiting Research Assistant from the Kyrgyz Academy of Sciences.

2002-2003. *Stanford University Postdoctoral Fellow* in Central Asian Studies, Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies.

## **DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

2009-Present. Faculty Advisor, GMU Graduate Political Science Society.

2008. Graduate Curriculum Committee.

- 2008. PhD Qualifying Exams Committee.
- 2008. Undergraduate Honors Program Admissions Committee.
- 2007. Graduate Program Executive Committee.
- 2007. Graduate Program Admissions Committee.
- 2007. Bio Defense Faculty Search Committee.
- 2005. Faculty Search Committee (American Foreign Policy).
- 2010-Present. Ali Vural Ak Center for Global Islamic Studies Steering Committee.
- 2010. Faculty Grant Committee, Ali Vural Ak Center for Global Islamic Studies.
- 2010. Postdoctoral Scholar Search Committee, Ali Vural Ak Center for Global Islamic Studies.
- 2009-Present. Center for Global Studies Steering Committee.
- 2009. Global Affairs Faculty Search Committee.
- 2009. Office of Institutional Assessment Academic Program Review Committee.
- 2009. Gorbachev 1989 Committee.
- 2008-Present. Global Affairs Faculty Steering Committee.
- 2008. Spires of Excellence Committee (Provost Committee).
- 2008. GMU-Soros Doctoral Fellowship Program, Candidate interviews, Dushanbe, Tajikistan.
- 2007-Present. Eurasia Studies Program Steering Committee.
- 2007. Global Affairs Director Search Committee.
- 2005-Present. Director, Focus on Central Asia Program.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- 2010-2012. Elected Member, Board of Directors, *Central Eurasia Studies Society*.
- 2010-Present. Member, Eurasia Program Advisory Board, *Social Science Research Council*.
- 2010. Selection Committee Member, Eurasia Dissertation Support Fellowship, *Social Science Research Council*.
- 2009. Selection Committee Chair, Diplomacy Fellowship in Science and Technology, *American Association for the Advancement of Science*.
- 2008. Selection Committee Member, Diplomacy Fellowship in Science and Technology, *American Association for the Advancement of Science*.
- 2008. Selection Committee for Best Graduate Student Paper Award, *Central Eurasia Studies Society*.
- 2007. Book Review Editor for *Central Eurasian Studies Review*.

Reviewer: *American Councils*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Cornell University Press*, *Europe – Asia Studies*, *Freedom House Freedom in the World & Nations in Transit*, *Journal of Democracy*, *Journal of Terrorism*, *Problems of Post- Communism*, *National Science Foundation*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Slavic Review*, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada*, *University of Pittsburgh Press*, *University of Washington Press*, *World Politics*

## **ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC HONORS**

- 2003. *International Research & Exchanges Board* Short Term Travel Grant awarded for

summer field research in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan.

2001. *Social Science Research Center* Research Workshop, “Reconfiguring Regions, Localities and Histories: Transformations of Central Asian and Caucasian Societies.”

1999-2000. *International Research & Exchanges Board* Individual Advanced Research Opportunities Fellowship for dissertation research (Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan).

1998-1999. *Princeton Council on Regional Studies* fellowship for dissertation field research (Summer 1998, Kyrgyzstan; Uzbek Language Summer 1999).

1998. *Mellon Foundation* Summer Fellowship for dissertation research and methodology.

1997-1998. *Foreign Language Area Studies* Fellowship awarded for Studies in Russian (1997-1998, Princeton University; Summer 1997, Nevsky Institute, St. Petersburg).

1996-1997. *Princeton Russian Studies Fellow*.

1996-2002. *Princeton University Fellowship* (Full award, 1996-1997, 1998-1999, 2000-2002).

1995-1996. *Thomas J. Watson* National Fellowship awarded for independent research (Kyrgyz Republic, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Russian Federation).

## **INVITED TALKS**

2010. Social Science Research Council, “Does Kyrgyzstan Matter?” Webinar, May 24.

2009. Open Society Institute, “Implications of US Security Policies for Political Reform and Human Rights in the Region,” Washington, D.C., June 24.

2009. University of Toronto, “Fridays in Andijan: Localized Islam and the Erosion of Centralized Autocracy,” March 13.

2008. US State Department, Kazakhstan, “Political Party Formation in Central Asia,” Astana, Kazakhstan, May 27.

2008. University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies, “Patronage, Islam and the Fading Central Asian State,” April 24.

2008. University of Michigan, “The Blurred Borders of State and Islam in Central Asia,” Ann Arbor, MI, January 9.

2007. American University of Central Asia, “Evolving Islamic Identities in Central Asia,” Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, November 28.

2007. State Department Briefing on Political Party Assistance in Eastern Europe and Eurasia, Washington, D.C., October 9.

2007. Central European University, “Political Science Approaches to State and Religion in Central Asia,” Budapest, Hungary, August 14 & 15.

2007. George Washington University National Security Studies Program, “Trends in Central Asian Politics,” Washington, D.C., June 15.

2007. George Washington University Workshop on Post-Communism, “Youth Mobilization and

- the Future of Uzbek Politics,” Washington, D.C., May 4.
2007. Texas A & M, “Islam and Uzbek Politics,” College Station, TX, April 30.
2007. Radio Free Europe, Radio Liberty, “Islamic Activists and Soviet Autocrats: Negotiating Myth and Reality in Central Asia,” Washington, D.C., April 26.
2007. Centre for OSCE Research, University of Hamburg, “Approaches and Results of USAID Democratization Assistance,” Hamburg, Germany, January 31.
2007. U.S. Commission On International Religious Freedom Briefing and the Center for Strategic and International Studies, “State Policy and Islam in Kyrgyzstan,” Washington D.C., January 11.
2006. International Institute for Strategic Studies, “New Partner or New Problem: US Views toward the Shanghai Cooperation Organization,” London, January 27.
2006. Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, “After Andijan: Authoritarianism, Islam, and Social Mobilization in Central Asia,” Washington, D.C., January 17.
2005. IREX State Department Briefing on Kyrgyz Presidential Elections, Washington, D.C., July 26.
2005. Center for Strategic and International Studies Congressional Briefing on Central Asia, Washington, D.C., June 14.
2004. Yale University, “Constructing Militant Opposition: Authoritarian Rule and Political Islam in Central Asia,” Central Asia and the Caucasus in a Globalized World Lecture Series, April 6.
2004. Northwestern University, “Authoritarian Rule and Militant Islam in Central Asia,” Comparative Politics Lecture Series, April 19.
2002. Stanford University, “Central Asia: Democracy Derailed,” Stanford University Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, November 19.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2010. “Political Discontent in Asia—Kyrgyz Chaos,” National Bureau of Asian Research and Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Asia Policy Assembly, Washington DC, June 17.
2010. Foreign Service Institute, US State Department, “Technology, Internet and Communication Tools in Central Asia,” Arlington, VA, March 1.
2009. Foreign Service Institute, US State Department, “Central Asia and Challenges Facing Democracy Assistance,” Arlington, VA, October 21.
2009. “Transitions 2.0: The Internet, Political Culture and Autocracy in Central Asia,” American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 5.
2008. “Autocratic Implosion: Patronage, Islam and the Rise of Localism in Central Asia,” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia, November 22.
2008. “The State of Discourse or the State’s Discourse on Islam in Central Asia?” Princeton University Conference on Re-Thinking Sectarianism, Princeton, NJ, May 21.
2007. “Foundations of Kyrgyzstan's Islamic Renaissance,” American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, New Orleans, LA, November 17.
2007. “Many Shades of Green: Variations in Islam-Centered Mobilization in Kyrgyzstan’s New Color Revolution,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 31.

2007. "Aiding Political Parties in Central Asia and the Caucasus," International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, March 1.
2006. Brookings-UUNDP Conference on "The Challenges and Opportunities of Regional Cooperation and Integration in Central Asia," Washington, D.C., March 27.
2006. "Youth and Uzbek Politics," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington, DC, November 18.
2005. "Foreign Aid and ICT Policy in Central Asia," (Erica Johnson, co-author), American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 1.
2005. "Information Communication Technology (ICT) and Its Effect on Political Mobilization in Central Asia," US Department of State Conference, "Youth in Transition: Eurasia and Central/East Europe," Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C., August 15.
2005. "Islamic Leaders in Uzbekistan," Social Science Research Council Summer Institute, "Teaching Islam in Eurasia," Kazan, Russia, June 20-July 3.
2005. "The Patterns of Structural Corruption in Central Asia," Northwestern University, Center for International and Comparative Studies Conference on "Identifying Self-Repairing Dynamics in Post-Conflict Societies: The Caucasus and Central Asia," February 3-5.
2005. "Digital Divide in Central Asia: Comparing ISP Policy," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 7-10.
2004. "Central Asian Protest Movements: Domestic Forces and International Resources," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, MA, December.
2004. "Weak States, Impoverished Societies and Rich Rulers: The Making of Authoritarian Rule in Eastern Europe and Central Asia," American Political Science Association, Chicago, September.
2004. "Divided Faith: Tensions Between State and Islam in Central Asia," Center for Strategic and International Studies Academic Conference, Seattle, Washington, May.
2004. "The Making of Militants: State and Islam in Central Asia," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
2003. "In For Life: Leadership Succession in Post-Soviet Central Asia," Center for Strategic and International Studies Policy Conference, Washington, DC, December.
2003. "Accommodation or Repression: State Responses to Political Islam in Central Asia," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Toronto, Canada, November.
2003. "Torment or Transformation? The Future of Opposition Movements in Central Asia," Central Eurasian Studies Society, Cambridge, MA, October.
2003. "Central Asia: Authoritarian Solutions Follow Democratic Institutions," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
2002. "Coherence Today, Gone Tomorrow? Comparing Kyrgyz and Kazakh Political Change," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Pittsburgh, November.
2001. "Political Order in Central Asian Societies," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington, D.C., November.
2001. "Capacity or Collapse? Nation Building in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan," Association for the Study of the Nationalities, Columbia University, April.
1999. "Kyrgyzstan: A Case of State Decentralization in Post-Soviet Central Asia," Sixth Annual Central Eurasian Studies Conference, Indiana University, March.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

“Advanced Graduate Seminar in Comparative Politics,” George Mason University, Spring 2010.

“Graduate Seminar in Democratization,” George Mason University, Fall 2009

“Graduate Seminar in Globalization,” George Mason University, Spring 2005, 2009.

“Graduate Seminar in Comparative Politics,” George Mason University, Fall 2008.

“Graduate Seminar in Central Asian Politics,” George Mason University, Fall 2005, 2006, 2007 & 2009.

“Introduction to Comparative Politics,” George Mason University, Spring 2009, Fall 2005, Fall 2007, Spring 2006, Iowa State University, Fall 2003, 04.

“Graduate Seminar in Democratization,” Iowa State University, Spring 2005.

“Middle East Politics,” Iowa State University, Spring 2005.

“Soviet and Post Soviet Politics and Government,” Iowa State University, Spring 2004.

“Graduate Seminar in Comparative Politics,” Iowa State University, Fall 2003, 04.

“Introduction to Comparative Politics,” Iowa State University, Fall 2003, 04.

“Graduate Seminar: Central Asia in Transition? Political Change in the ‘Stans,’ Models and Reality,” Stanford University Political Science Department, Winter 2003.

## **LANGUAGES**

Russian—Advanced

Uzbek—Introductory

French—Reading