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Personal Information

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Current Research Affiliations

School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology Fall 2018 – present
Graduate Research Assistant - Data Science and Policy Lab

Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University Fall 2016 – present
Graduate Research Assistant - Experimental Economics and Education Policy

Education

**Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University &
School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology** 2016 – present
Joint Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy

Dissertation: Three Essays on Skills and Individual Decision-Making

Committee: Ross Rubenstein (Chair), Omar I. Asensio, James C. Cox, Vjollca Sadiraj, Alan Marco

**Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne &
Paris School of Economics, Paris** 2013 – 2014
MSc in Quantitative Economics
Economie Théorique et Empirique (Theoretical and Empirical Economics)

**Novosibirsk National Research State University
Novosibirsk, Russia** 2008 – 2015
MSc and BSc in Economics
Mathematical and Quantitative Methods in Economics

Teaching Experience

Summer Institute in Computational Social Science Summer 2022
Teaching Assistant - SICSS-Atlanta, forthcoming at Georgia State University

School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology Spring 2021
Teaching Assistant - Big Data and Policy, Graduate Semester

School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology Fall 2020
Teaching Assistant - Data Science for Public Policy, Undergraduate Semester

School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology Spring 2019
Teaching Assistant - Microeconomic Theory, Graduate (Ph.D.) Semester

Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University Spring 2019
Independent Instructor - Policy Data Analysis, Undergraduate Semester

Research Data Services, Georgia State University Library Spring 2020 – present
Author of the "Introduction to LaTeX" workshop (in-person and online)

Grants, Fellowships and Awards

Best Teaching Assistant Award Spring 2021
School of Public Policy at Georgia Institute of Technology

AYSPS Dissertation Fellowship Summer 2020
\$7,000 in funding for conducting field and lab experiments

CIRTL & "Tech to Teaching" Certificates Summer 2020
Center for Teaching and Learning at Georgia Institute of Technology

AYSPS Dean's Fellowship 2016 – 2019
Coca-Cola Foundation

3-rd Degree Diploma for the Thesis Presentation Spring 2012
International Scientific Student Conference (ISSC-2012)

Gold Medal of Distinction upon HS Graduation Summer 2008

Publications and Working Papers

- "A Quasi-Experiment in International Student Mobility: Germany's Fee Re-Introductions," with Matteo Zullo, *European Journal of Higher Education* (2021): 1-22.
- "Housing Policies Accelerate Energy Efficiency Participation," with Omar Isaac Asensio, Kira E. O'Hare, and Becky Rafter, *under review*.
- "Complementaries of Language and Non-Language Skills: Accumulation and Returns Effects," with Luisa Nazareno and Matteo Zullo, *working paper*.
- "Matching Techniques in Energy Policy Analysis: A Teaching Case for Smart Cities," with Omar Isaac Asensio, *working paper*.
- "Hiring Prospects of Online Education: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment," with Omar Isaac Asensio and Ross Rubenstein, *work in progress*.
- "Skills as Mediators for Prosocial Behavior," *work in progress*.
- "Free to Choose: The Role of School Vouchers in Swedish Education System," *work in progress*.
- "The Small Enterprises' Choice of Taxation Schemes Based on SET-Analysis," (2012). *ISSC-2012 proceedings (in Russian)*.
- "The Evolution of Approaches to Taxation and Evaluation of After-Tax Equilibrium by the Criteria of Effectiveness and Equity: An Example of the Substandard Assets Taxation," (2011), with Evgeniya Anisimova and Evgeniya Moskaleva. *ISSC-2011 proceedings (in Russian)*.

Conference Presentations and Workshops

2022:

- Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Conference, Portland, OR, June-July 2022
- Annual Research Conference of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), Austin, TX, March 2022
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Economics Association (MEA), Minneapolis, MN, March 2022
- Special Meeting of the Economic Science Association (ESA) at University of Chicago — UCEMA Joint Initiative for Latin American Experimental Economics (JILAEE), Virtual, February 2022
- Sustainability and Development Initiative (SDI) Conference at University of Michigan, Virtual, January 2022

2021:

- Lecturer at the International Experimental Economics Training at ExCEN (Economic Experiments with z-Tree) — Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, October 2021
- International Atlantic Economic Society (IAES) Conference, Virtual, October 2021
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Student Research Seminars, Virtual, May 2021
- Annual Meeting of the Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP), Virtual, March 2021
- Career Research and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC) at Georgia Institute of Technology, Virtual, February 2021
- Ivan Allen College for Liberal Arts Graduate Student Conference at Georgia Institute of Technology, Virtual, January 2021

2020:

- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Regional Student Conference, Cancelled (Washington, DC), April 2020
- Annual Meeting of the Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP), Virtual (Dallas, TX), March 2020
- Career Research and Innovation Development Conference (CRIDC) at Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, January 2020
- Ivan Allen College for Liberal Arts Graduate Student Conference at Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, January 2020

2012 & 2011: International Scientific Student Conference (ISSC), Novosibirsk, Russia

Skills

Statistical software

R, STATA, Python, SPSS, SAS, MATLAB

Experimental software

zTree, oTree, Empirica, Qualtrics

Other software

LaTeX, Tableau, ArcGIS, Microsoft Azure, NVivo, Excel (VBA)

Languages

Russian (Native)
English (Full professional proficiency)
French & Italian (Elementary proficiency)

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