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EDUCATION

Stanford University, Department of History, 1997-2003

Ph.D. in History, September 2003

M.A. in History, June 2000

Concentrations: Russia, Central Asia, Silk Road, International History

Stanford University, Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, 1995-1997

M.A. in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, January 1997

Concentrations: Ethnic Conflict, Environmental Policy and Security in Eurasia

Georgetown University, 1988-1992

B.A., Double Major: Russian and French Literature; Minor: History

Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Dobro Slovo and Pi Delta Phi Honor Societies

TEACHING

- Adjunct Assistant Professor, The Soviet Collapse and Aftermath, George Mason University
- Regional Expert, Caucasus Regional Studies Exercise, Air University, Montgomery, AL
- Lecturer, Caucasus/Former Soviet Regional Studies, Foreign Service Institute
- Seminar Lecturer, History and Structure of the U.S. Political System, University of Macau
- Seminar Lecturer, History and Structure of the U.S. Political System, Hong Kong Youth Forum
- Instructor, Social Mobilization in World War II, Stanford University
- Teaching Assistant, The International System, Stanford University
- Teaching Assistant, The Rise of Medical Science in Europe, Stanford University
- Teaching Assistant, History of Imperial Russia and Eurasia, Stanford University
- Instructor, Modern American Culture and Politics I, Moscow State Technical University
- Instructor, Modern American Culture and Politics II, Moscow State Technical University
- Teaching Assistant/Drill Instructor, Second-Year Russian, Georgetown University

PUBLICATIONS

- "Forging a Soviet City: Tashkent" forthcoming manuscript with University of Pittsburg Press, 2009
- "Fondeur une cite socialiste en Asie Centrale, Tachkent, 1937-1941," *Communisme* (Paris), 70/71 2002
- "Tashkent in Victory: The Creation of a Post-War Socialist City in Asia," *Eurasian Geography*, draft

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS:

- "Population and Social Movements in the former USSR," Southern Slavic Conference, 2009
- "Popular and Historical Perceptions of Nagorno-Karabakh," Foreign Service Institute, Arlington, VA 2009
- "Dilemmas of Eurasian Democratization," Foreign Service Institute, Arlington, VA, 2008
- "Earthquakes and Ethnicities: Life in Late Twentieth-Century Uzbekistan," AAASS Conference, 2007
- "Dichotomies of Uzbek Childhood: Gender and Education," AHA Conference, 2007
- "Transformative Moments and Processes in the History of Socialism," Panel Discussant, AAASS, 2006
- "Exporting Modernity: Tashkent as a Cold War Model of Decolonization in Asia," AAASS, 2006
- "Building Socialism in Asia," George Mason University, 2005
- "Cultural Transformation in Uzbekistan," Binghamton University, 2005
- "Envisioning a City of Victory: Tashkent, 1945-1953," AAASS, 2004

- “Cultural Reform and Central Asian Tashkent,” Institute of History, Tashkent, 2001
- “Central Asian Studies: New Approaches,” Institute of History, Tashkent, 2001

EMPLOYMENT

*United States Department of State, Washington, DC, 2007-
Foreign Affairs Analyst, Central Asia and Caucasus Division*

- Research contemporary political and economic developments in the Caspian Sea region
- Write assessments on Azerbaijani and Armenian energy, internal politics, and ethnic conflict issues
- Draft reports on Caspian Sea regional security and foreign policy issues
- Monitor developments of ongoing Armenian-Azerbaijani war in Nagorno-Karabakh
- Serve as interim analyst for Tajikistan with a focus on stability, energy, and food security
- Act as backup analyst for Georgia and Kyrgyzstan

*United States Department of State, Hong Kong, 2005-2007
Vice Consul and Economic Officer*

- Wrote speeches for U.S. Consul General in Hong Kong on economic and environmental issues
- Wrote background reports on economic, environmental and health issues in Southern China
- Researched urban and environmental planning issues in Macau and Hong Kong
- Conducted educational outreach programs for college students on U.S. politics, history and culture
- Served as Consular and Visa Officer

*United States Department of State, Washington, DC, 2003-2004
G8 Policy Analyst, Detail to National Security Council*

- Wrote briefing materials for G8 negotiators on global health, Afghanistan, anti-corruption efforts
- Composed daily press analysis for National Security Council (NSC) and State Department G8 offices
- Member of U.S. delegation at 2004 Sea Island Summit, Georgia

Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, 1997-2003

- Instructor and Teaching Assistant in the Department of History
- Designer of interactive online course syllabi and history resource websites
- Research Assistant on memoir project on Yugoslavia during World War II
- Conducted dissertation research in Russian, Uzbek, and American archives and libraries
- Writing skills: grant proposal and extensive editing expertise

*American International Health Alliance, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 1995
Deputy Regional Director for Central Asia*

- Coordinated in-country training programs in Central Asia for visiting US health professionals
- Organized five health care workshops in three republics of the former USSR
- Conducted daily business entirely in Russian, including presentations, formal correspondence
- Organized education programs for nursing administrators in Central Asia
- Wrote proposals and developed budgets for NGO projects in Central Asia
- Managed local staff of five employees

*American International Health Alliance, Washington, DC, October 1993-January 1995
Program Analyst*

- Provided comprehensive logistical support to seven technical assistance programs
- Arranged three international health conferences in Moscow, St. Petersburg and Washington
- Compiled budgets for hospital partnerships in Russia, Georgia and Armenia

*National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, 1993
Museum Technician*

- Participated in the re-cataloguing of the museum's space history collection
- Assisted in the documentation and monitoring of loans of Smithsonian artifacts to regional museums
- Conducted research on contemporary international space launches

*National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, 1991-1992
Intern*

- Provided general administrative support
- Conducted foreign language translations

COMMITTEES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Title VIII Grant Reviewer for Eurasian Academic Research, Washington, DC, 2008-present
- Equal Employment Opportunity Counselor, U.S. Department of State, Washington, 2007-present
- Questionmaster, Grand Finals, 21st Century-Lenovo Cup, English Language Speaking Competition, 2007
- Equal Employment Opportunity Counselor, U.S. Consulate General, Hong Kong, 2006-2007
- Employee Evaluation Review Committee, U.S. Consulate General, Hong Kong, 2006-2007
- Judge, Grand Finals, China Daily-21st Century English Language Speaking Competition, Macau, 2006
- Speaker on Studying in America, Macau and Hong Kong Education Fairs, 2006
- Speaker on Studying in America, Hong Kong Higher Education Fairs, 2005
- Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of History, Stanford University, 2003
- Stanford University Volunteer, Second Harvest Food Bank, San Jose, CA, 1998-2003
- Lecturer in Community Outreach Program on Central Asia for California High School Teachers, 1996

FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS/RESEARCH ASSOCIATESHIPS

- U.S. Department of State Superior Honor Award, 2008
- NIC Analytical Award for Research on Armenia, 2008
- IERES Research Associate, George Washington University, 2008
- U.S. Department of State Meritorious Honor Award, 2007
- U.S. Consulate General Hong Kong Extra Mile Award, 2007
- U.S. Department of State, G8 Group Superior Honor Award, 2004
- Summer Dissertation Completion Grant, Stanford University, 2003
- Weter Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford University, 2002-2003
- Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford University, 2002
- David L. Boren National Security Education Fellowship for Uzbekistan, 2001-2002
- FLAS Fellowship for Summer Study of Uzbek at the University of Washington, 2001
- Graduate Research Opportunity Fellowship, Stanford University, 2001
- Research Scholar Exchange Program for Uzbekistan, ACTR/ACCELS, 2000-2001
- FLAS Fellowship for Summer Study of Uzbek at Indiana University, 2000
- Stanford University History Department Graduate Fellowship, 1997-2001
- FLAS Fellowship for Summer Study of Ukrainian at Harvard University, 1996
- FLAS Fellowship for Academic Year Study of Russian, 1995-1996
- Certificate of Outstanding Achievement in Russian, Georgetown University, 1992
- Certificate of Outstanding Achievement in French, Georgetown University, 1992

ADDITIONAL

- Fluent in Russian and French, Proficient in Uzbek and Mandarin Chinese
- Reading German and Turkish
- Extensive public speaking and teaching experience
- Experience in overseas education and study abroad programs
- Translation and interpretation experience
- Budgeting, financial reporting and accounting skills
- Broad knowledge of history, politics and economics of Central Asia, Caucasus, China, and Russia
- Extensive work and research experience in the former USSR and China