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### EMPLOYMENT

#### **Princeton University - Woodrow Wilson School and Department of Politics**

*Assistant Professor of Politics and International Affairs* (July 2003 – June 2011)

*Associate Professor of Politics and International Affairs* (July 2011 – present)

### EDUCATION

#### **University of California, Berkeley - Ph.D. in Political Science** (May 2003)

Dissertation: *Refracting Conditionality: IMF Programs and Domestic Politics during the Latin American Debt Crisis and the Post-Communist Transition.*

#### **University of California, Berkeley - M.A. in Political Science** (December 1998)

Master's Essay: *Separated at Birth or Separated by Birth? The Communist Successor Parties in Romania and Hungary.*

#### **Harvard University - B.A. *summa cum laude* in Social Studies** (June 1995). Phi Beta Kappa.

Honors Thesis: *Caritas – Struggle and Confusion in Romania's Post-Communist Transition.*

### BOOKS

*From Economic Crisis to Reform: IMF Programs in Latin America and Eastern Europe*  
(Princeton University Press – February 2009).

Winner of the 2010 Best Book Award - European Politics & Society Section – American Political Science Association (APSA)

Honorable Mention – 2010 Ed A. Hewett Book Prize - Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)

### BOOK MANUSCRIPT IN PROGRESS

*Communism's Shadow: The Effect of Communist Legacies on Post-Communist Political Attitudes*  
(with Joshua Tucker)

### EDITED VOLUMES

*Institutions for Economic Development: A Cross-Disciplinary Approach* (co-edited with Thad Dunning) – special issue of *Studies in Comparative International Development* Volume 38, No.4  
Transaction Publishers, (2004)

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Information, Elections and Political Change” (with Graeme Robertson) Forthcoming in *Comparative Politics* (July 2015)

“Waiting for a Fourth Wave: Structural Conditions and the Future of Democratization” (with Graeme Robertson) Forthcoming in *Journal of Democracy* (July 2015)

“Pre-communist and Communist Developmental Legacies” Forthcoming in *East European Politics and Societies and Cultures* (2015)

“After the Revolution: Long-term Effects of Electoral Revolutions” (with Graeme Robertson) *Problems of Post-Communism* 61(4) 3-22. (July 2014).

“Communist Socialization and Post-Communist Economic and Political Attitudes” (with Joshua Tucker) *Electoral Studies* 33 77-89. (March 2014).

“Associated with the Past? Communist Legacies and Civic Participation in Post-Communist Countries” (with Joshua Tucker). *East European Politics & Societies* 27(1):43-66 (February 2013).

“Targeted Government Spending and Political Preferences” (with Cristian Pop-Eleches). *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 7(3):285-320. (June 2012).

“Post-Communist Legacies and Political Behavior and Attitudes” (with Joshua Tucker). *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization*. 20(2): 157-66. (Spring 2012)

“Communist Legacies, and Political Values and Behavior: A Theoretical Framework with an Application to Political Party Trust” (with Joshua Tucker). *Comparative Politics* 43(4): 379-408 (July 2011).

“Monitoring, Money, and Migrants: Countering Post-Accession Backsliding in Bulgaria and Romania” (with Philip Levitz). *Europe-Asia Studies* 62(3):461-479. (May 2010)

“Throwing Out the Bums: Protest Voting and Anti-Establishment Parties after Communism” *World Politics* 62(2): 221-260 (April 2010).

“Why No Backsliding? The EU's Impact on Democracy and Governance Before and After Accession” (with Philip Levitz). *Comparative Political Studies*. 43: 457-485 (April 2010)

“Public Goods or Political Pandering: Evidence from IMF Programs in Latin America and Eastern Europe.” *International Studies Quarterly* 53:787-816 (September 2009).

“Disenchanted or Discerning: Voter Turnout in Post-Communist Countries” (With Alexander Pacek and Joshua Tucker). *The Journal of Politics* 71(2): 473-491 (April 2009).

“A Party for All Seasons: Electoral Adaptation of Romanian Communist Successor Parties.” *Communist and Post-Communist Studies* 41(4) 465-479 (December 2008).

“Crisis in the Eye of the Beholder: Economic Crisis and Partisan Politics in Latin American and East European IMF Programs.” *Comparative Political Studies* 41(9): 1179-1211 (September 2008).

“Historical Legacies and Post-Communist Regime Change.” *The Journal of Politics* 69(4):908-926 (November 2007).

“Between Historical Legacies and the Promise of Western Integration: Democratic Conditionality after Communism.” *East European Politics and Societies* 21(4):142-161 (Winter 2007).

“From Transplants to Hybrids: Exploring Institutional Pathways to Growth.” (With Thad Dunning). *Studies in Comparative International Development* 38(4) 3-29 (March 2004).

“Romania’s Politics of Dejection.” *Journal of Democracy* 12(3):156-169 (July 2001).

“Separated at Birth or Separated by Birth? The Communist Successor Parties in Romania and Hungary.” *East European Politics and Societies*, 13(1):117-147 (Winter 1999).

## **ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW**

“Political Crises, Foreign Policy Preferences and Partisanship” (with Lucan Way)

“After the Party: Legacies and Left-Right Distinctions in Post-Communist Countries” (with Joshua Tucker)

“International Aid: The Political Consequences of Democracy Assistance” (with Graeme Robertson)

“Income Measures in Cross-National Surveys: Problems and Solutions” (with Michael Donnelly) (under review).

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

“Democratization in the Global South” (with Graeme Robertson). In John D Stephens, Evelyne Huber and Matthew Lange (eds.) *Oxford Handbook on the Transformation of the State*. Oxford University Press (2015).

“Romania Twenty Years after 1989: The Bizarre Echoes of a Contested Revolution.” In Michael Bernhard and Jan Kubik (eds) *Twenty Years After: The Commemoration of the End of Communism*. Oxford University Press (2014)

“Communist Development and the Post-Communist Democratic Deficit.” In Mark Beissinger and Stephen Kotkin (eds.) *The Historical Legacies of Communism in Russia and Eastern Europe*. Cambridge University Press (2014).

“International Economic Relations and International Development Institutions.” In Peter Kingstone and Deborah Yashar (eds.) *Handbook of Latin American Politics* pp. 364-379 Routledge (2012)

“Transition to What? Legacies and Reform Trajectories after Communism.” In Marc Morjé Howard, Vladimir Tismaneanu and Rudra Sil (eds.). *World Order After Leninism*, Seattle: University of Washington Press (2006)

“Independence or Double Dependence: The East-West Foreign Policy Game in Moldova and Slovakia” in Frank Columbus (ed.) *Central and Eastern Europe in Transition Volume IV*, Huntington, NY: Nova Science Publishers (2001).

“Albanien.” (With Daniel Ziblatt). In Jürgen Bellers and Thorsten Benner (eds.) *Handbuch der Außenpolitiken*. München, R. Oldenbourg Verlag (2001).

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

“Authoritarian Backsliding in Eastern Europe - “Achievements” and Limitations” APSA-Comparative Politics Newsletter Vol. 24, Issue II, (Fall 2014): 7-9.

“Learning from Mistakes: Romanian Democracy and the Hungarian Precedent” APSA European Politics and Society Newsletter (Winter 2013): 9-12.

“The presidential election in Romania in 2009” (with Aurelian Muntean and Marina Popescu) *Electoral Studies* 29(4):753-757 (December 2010).

“After the Party: Legacies and Left-Right Distinctions in Post-Communist Countries” (With Joshua Tucker), *Juan March Foundation, Center for Advanced Study in the Social Science, Working Paper Series, Estudio/Working Paper* 2010/250 (June 2010)

“Authoritarian Rule to European Union: Romania and Moldova.” *E-journal USA* 15(1):31-34 (January 2010).

Review of Fernando Ignacio Leiva “Latin American Neostructuralism: The Contradictions of Post-Neoliberal Development.” *Perspectives on Politics* 7(4): 988-989 (December 2009)

Review of Anna Grzymala-Busse “Rebuilding Leviathan Party Competition and State Exploitation in Post-Communist Democracies” *Comparative Political Studies* 41(7): 1034-1038 (July 2008)

Review of Hillary Appel “A new capitalist order: privatization & ideology in Russia & Eastern Europe.” *Comparative Political Studies*, 38(8) (October 2005).

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Explaining Authoritarian Collapse through Public Opinion Surveys: Evidence from Poland (1985-1989)” (with Monika Nalepa)

“Policies towards the Past and Political Attitudes: Evidence from Post-War Germany” (with Giovanni Capoccia)

“Cross-cutting Cleavages and Ethnic Conflict: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan” (with Graeme Robertson)

“International Aid: Projects, Purposes and Political Impacts” (with Graeme Robertson) (under review)

“Political Crises, Foreign Policy Preferences and Partisanship” (with Lucan Way) (under review).

“Economic Reference Group Salience in Post-Communist Eastern Europe: Causes and Consequences”

“Pathways of Political Liberalization and Deliberalization in the Post-Cold War Era” (with Graeme Robertson)

“Friends or Foes: The Post-Communist Relationship between Democracy and Economic Reform in Comparative Perspective.”

## **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS**

Best Book Award, European Politics and Society section, APSA 2010.

Honorable Mention – 2010 Ed A. Hewett Book Prize - Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)

Sage Prize for best paper in Comparative Politics presented at APSA in 2010 - Runner-up - for "Elections, Information and Political Change in the Post-Cold War Era" (with Graeme Robertson)

*National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER)* – National Research Competition Grant for "Elections, Revolution and Democracy In The Post-Cold War Era" (with Graeme Robertson) Oct.2010-Sept 2012.

*European Economic Area (EEA) and Norway Financial Mechanism* – Grant for “Development of Civic Participation in Romania: Stimulating citizen information and participation in elections for Romanian representatives in the EU Parliament and Presidential elections in Romania, in 2009” (April 2009 – February 2010)

*National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER)* – National Research Competition Grant for “Facing West and Feeling Poorer: The International Demonstration Effect in Post-Communist Eastern Europe” (Oct. 2005 – July 2008)

*Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (PIIRS)*, Princeton University. Faculty Research Grant for “Protest Voting and Anti-Establishment Political Parties - Post-Electoral Survey in Bulgaria” June-July 2005.

University Committee on Research in Social Sciences, Princeton University, Faculty Grant “Protest Voting and Anti-Establishment Political Parties - Post-Electoral Survey in Moldova” March 2005.

*Simpson Memorial Fellowship* – graduate fellowship from the Institute for International Studies – UC Berkeley (2000-2001)

*Berkeley Program in Soviet and Post-Soviet Studies* – winner of working paper contest (Jan. 2001).

*Peter H. Odegard Memorial Award in Political Science* – UC Berkeley (1999-2000).

*UC Berkeley University Fellowship* – UC Berkeley (1997-9, 2001-2002).

*Alexis de Tocqueville Prize* - Social Studies Department - Harvard University (1995).

## **CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS (last 5 years)**

“Ethnicity, Language And Region In Post-Soviet Ukraine” (with Graeme Robertson) Annual Meeting of Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), San Antonio TX, November 20-23, 2014

“Communist Legacies and Welfare State Attitudes” (with Joshua Tucker) Annual Meeting of Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), Boston, MA November 21-24, 2013

“Lustration and Support for Democracy: Evidence from Post-War Germany” Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Washington DC, Aug. 28-Aug. 30, 2014

“The Missing Link(s): Imperial Legacies and Anti-Communist Attitudes in Poland 1985-1989” (with Monika Nalepa) Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Washington DC, Aug. 28-Aug. 30, 2014

“Authoritarian Backsliding in Eastern Europe – “Achievements” and Prospects” Presented at *An Awkward Anniversary: A Colloquium on Ten Years of Central and Eastern Europe in the EU*, Princeton University Apr. 18, 2014.

“Explaining Authoritarian Collapse through Public Opinion Surveys: Evidence from Poland (1985-1989)” (with Monika Nalepa) Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2013.

“Policies towards the Past and Political Attitudes: Evidence from Post-War Germany” (with Giovanni Capoccia) Council for European Studies Conference, Amsterdam June 25-27, 2013.

“Communist Legacies and the Democratic Support Deficit” (with Joshua Tucker) Council for European Studies Conference, Amsterdam June 25-27, 2013.

“Romania Twenty Years after 1989: The Bizarre Echoes of a Contested Revolution.” International Conference of Europeans Boston, Massachusetts, March 23, 2012

“Cross-cutting Cleavages and Ethnic Conflict: Evidence from Survey Experiments in Kyrgyzstan” (with Graeme Robertson)

- Annual Meeting of Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), Washington DC, November 18-20, 2011
- Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Seattle WA, Sept. 1-4, 2011
- Annual Meeting of Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 1-4, 2011

“International Aid: Projects, Purposes and Political Impacts” (with Graeme Robertson)

- Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Seattle WA, Sept. 1-4, 2011

“Political Crises, Foreign Policy Preferences and Partisanship” (with Lucan Way)

- Annual Meeting of Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES), Los Angeles November 20, 2010
- Second Annual Workshop on European Integration, Princeton University May 4, 2010

“Pathways of Political Liberalization and Deliberalization in the Post-Cold War Era” (with Graeme Robertson) Workshop on “Comparing Transitions across Regions”, Nuffield College, University of Oxford., Oxford UK. November 6, 2010.

“After the Party: Legacies and Left-Right Distinctions in Post-Communist Countries” (With Joshua Tucker) presented at

- Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Sept. 2-5, 2010, Washington, DC
- Princeton Workshop on Political Parties in the Developing World, Princeton April 30-May 1, 2010

“The Post-Communist Democratic Deficit: Roots and Mechanisms” Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Nov. 12-15, 2009 Boston, MA

“Elections, Information and Liberalization in the Post-Cold War Era” (With Graeme Robertson.) Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Sept. 2-5, 2009, Toronto.

“Changing Patterns in Partisan Politics: Evidence from East European and Latin American IMF programs.” Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Sept. 2-5, 2009, Toronto.

“Dimensions and Sources of (Dis)trust in New Democracies” Conference on Legitimacy at the Weatherhead Center, Harvard University, March 14, 2009

“Communism’s Shadow: A Theory of Post-Communist Legacies and Political Behavior.” (With Joshua Tucker.) Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, November 21-23, 2008, Philadelphia, PA.

“Changing Patterns in Partisan Politics: Evidence from East European and Latin American IMF programs.” Workshop on “Government Partisanship in Comparative Political Economy”

September 26, 2008, Princeton University.

“Elections and Liberalization in the Post-Cold War Era.” (With Graeme Robertson.)  
Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Aug. 28-31, 2008, Boston, MA.

“Economic Reference Group Salience in Post-Communist Eastern Europe: Causes and Consequences.” Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Aug. 28-31, 2008, Boston, MA.

“Government Spending and Pocketbook Voting: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from Romania.” (with Cristian Pop-Eleches). Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 7-10, 2008.

“Elections and Liberalization in the Post-Cold War Era.” (With Graeme Robertson.)  
Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, April 7-10, 2008.

“Throwing out the Bums: Protest Voting and Anti-Establishment Parties after Communism”  
Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Aug. 29-Sept.2, 2007, Chicago, IL.

#### **INVITED TALKS (last 5 years)**

Democracy and Development Seminar, Princeton University, November 2014

Univ. of California, Berkeley, October 2014

Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, October 2014

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, London UK, September 2014

United Nations, New York, May 2014

Columbia University, New York, February 2014

Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, September 2013

Center for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences Juan March Institute – Madrid, Spain June 2013

Central European University, Budapest, May 2013

London School of Economics, May 2013

Boston University, April 2013

Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, Stanford University, February 2013



New York University, Steinhardt School , February 2013

University of Uppsala, Uppsala Sweden, October 2012

Nuffield College (University of Oxford), May 2012

University of California, Berkeley, May 2012

Rutgers University, March 2012

Cornell University, Ithaca NY November 2011

Institute of French Studies, New York University, September 2011

European Studies Centre at St Antony's College (University of Oxford), Oxford UK, Nov. 2010

Center for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences Juan March Institute – Madrid, Spain May 2010

University of Rochester – Comparative Politics Workshop, Rochester NY May 2010

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, April 2010

Penn-Temple European Studies Colloquium, Philadelphia, PA March 2010.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI, December 2009

Yale University, New York, April 2009

Columbia University, New York, April 2009

Miami University, Oxford OH, April 2009

Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, March 2009

University of Washington, Seattle, May 2008

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, April 2008

Indiana University – EU Center of Excellence, February 2008

## **TEACHING**

Introduction to Game Theory for Political Science (Politics 504): Fall 2003, Fall 2004.

Developing Countries, Economic Reforms and External Pressures (Politics Junior Workshop #7): Fall 2004.

Politics after Communism (Politics 375): Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2007 Spring 2011.

Post-Communist Politics (Woodrow Wilson School 591 – Reading Course) Spring 2004, 2005.

The Politics of Public Policy (Woodrow Wilson School 501): Fall 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014.

Latin American Political Economy (Politics 431): Spring 2007, 2008, 2009.

Introduction to Comparative Politics (POL 231) Spring 2012, 2014.

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Advisory Council Member (2004-present) and Executive Committee Member (2006-07), Princeton *Program in Latin American Studies (PLAS)*

Program Committee Member (2007-present), *Program in Russian and Eurasian Studies*

MPA Admissions Committee Member (2006-2008, 2012, 2013), *Woodrow Wilson School*

Academic Advisor, *Forbes College, Princeton University* (2004 - 2008) - Advised 12 Freshmen and 12 Sophomores on academic issues, including course selection and prospective majors.

Faculty Associate, *Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies* (2003-present).

Faculty Associate, *Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination* (2004-present)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Associate Editor: *World Politics* (2004-2012).

Editorial Committee Member: *World Politics* (2013-present)

American Journal of Political Science – Editorial Board Member (2014-present)

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) – Member of Ed A. Hewett Book Prize Committee

American Political Science Association – Comparative Politics section – Annual Meeting Program Co-Chair 2014-2015

Academic Expert, *Club of Madrid* meeting on the topic “*Democracy in the Post Communist World: Unfinished Business. What has been learned and how can it be applied?*” (Prague, November 2005)

Editorial Assistant: *Studies in Comparative International Development* (2000-2003).

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review, The Journal of Politics, World Politics, Studies in Comparative International Development, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of Transition Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, The Review of Economics & Statistics, Political Research Quarterly, Party Politics, International Studies Quarterly, European Political Science Review, Communist and Post-Communist Studies, Political Communication, Central European University Press, National Science Foundation,.*

## **LANGUAGES**

Native ability in German and Romanian, acquired fluency in English, good reading and intermediate conversational Spanish, basic reading and conversational French.