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EDUCATION

New York University, Wagner School of Public Service	Ph.D.	2019
Committee: Anthony Bertelli (chair), Patrick Egan, Steve Rathgeb-Smith		
New York University, Wagner School of Public Service	M.Phil.	2015
City University of New York, Baruch College	M.P.A.	2005
Harvard University, Harvard Divinity School	M.Div.	1995
University of Washington, Seattle, WA	B.A., Russian Language & Lit.	1991
Herzen Pedagogical University, St. Petersburg, Russia, 1989		

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Publications

2025. "Pursuing the Dream of Democracy: Understanding Election Processes in Kazakhstan in Light of Electoral Reforms." With Rashimah Rajah. Copyright © by National University of Singapore and Nazarbayev University.

<https://scholarbank.nus.edu.sg/handle/10635/314892>

2025. "Barriers to Membership in Nonprofit Trade Associations." *Public Organization Review*. 25: 465-482.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11115-024-00806-9>

2022. "How Collective Action Problems Suppress Participation in Nonprofit Trade Associations." *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*. 51, no. 4: 783-804
<https://doi.org/10.1177/08997640211017662>

2017. "Bushwick: emerging innovations in a dramatically gentrified neighborhood." With Marc Parés and Sonia M. Ospina. In *Social Innovation and Democratic Leadership* (pp. 93-118). Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.

2017. "South Bronx: a whole community fighting social exclusion." With Marc Parés and Sonia M. Ospina. In *Social Innovation and Democratic Leadership* (pp. 119-147). Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.

2014. "Status and Power: The Principal Inputs to Influence for Public Managers." With Joseph C. Magee. *Public Administration Review*. 74, no. 3: 307-317.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/puar.12203>

Works in Progress

2026. "Measures for Local Electoral Competition in Kazakhstan."

Research

Graduate Senior Researcher, American Society of Association Executives Foundation & NYU (2017-2018)
 Case study research/analysis: *Social Innovation and Democratic Leadership* (Parés, Ospina & Subirats, eds., 2017)
 Research Coordinator, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and New York University (2015)
 Research Assistant, New York University (2011–2013)
 Faculty Assistant, Harvard University Stone Age Lab (1993)
 Research Assistant, University of Washington, Political Science Department (1991)
 Research Assistant, University of Washington, Center for Clinical Research/Psychology (1991)

Invited Talks & Conference Presentations

Electoral Contestation in Kazakhstan: Case study of Koyandy's competitive Akim election. 9th Annual International Conference of Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Public Policy, Astana, Kazakhstan (2025)

Pursuing the Dream of Democracy: Case study of Koyandy's competitive Akim election. Nazarbayev University Annual Research Conference, Astana, Kazakhstan (2025)

Barriers to Engagement in Nonprofit Trade Associations. Annual International Conference of Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Public Policy, Astana, Kazakhstan (2023)

Collective Action Problems in Nonprofit Advocacy. Annual Conference of the Association for Research on Nonprofit and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), Atlanta, GA (2021)

Barriers to Collaborative Nonprofit Advocacy. Annual Conference of the Association for Research on Nonprofit and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), San Diego, CA (2019)

How Free Riding Suppresses Participation in Nonprofit Advocacy. Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Conference, Washington D.C. (2018)

Nonprofit Free Riding: Charter Schools and their Associations. 14th Annual Transatlantic Dialogue Conference, Bucharest, Romania (2018)

Incentivizing Collaboration: Nonprofit Advocacy and the Collective Action Problem. Annual Conference of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), Grand Rapids, MI (2017)

Predicting Nonprofit Participation in Political Advocacy: Levels of Charter School Involvement in State Associations. Public Management Research Association (PMRA) Conference, Washington D.C. (2017).

Reshaping a Policy Subsystem: Fusion Voting in Connecticut. Poster presentation at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Conference, Washington D.C. (2016).

Respuestas a la gentrificación en Nueva York: ¿nuevas formas de liderazgo colectivo para la innovación social? El caso del barrio Bushwick. 20th International Congress of the Latin American Center of Administration and Development, Lima, PERU (2015)

Red County, Equal County, Blue County, Unequal County: the Effect of Inequality and Income-Party Stratification. Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago (2015).

Income Inequality as a Predictor of Partisan Preference. Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Conference, Albuquerque, NM (2014).

Refining Measures for Organizational Cynicism. Academy of Management (AOM) Conference, Trust Working Group, Philadelphia, PA (2014).

Organizational Cynicism: A Revised Definition. La Pietra International Conference Center of New York University, Florence, Italy (2012).

The 2009-2010 Healthcare Reform Campaign. National Urban Fellows 40th Anniversary Leadership Conference, Washington D.C. (2010).

The Catholic Worker Movement on the Religious and Cultural Edge. The Culture of Catholicism in the United States Conference, American Studies Department, Eichstätt-Ingolstadt University, Germany (2009).

HONORS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Social Policy Grant, Nazarbayev University (2024)

NYU Provost's Graduate Research Initiatives (2018, London), Fellow

American Society of Association Executives Foundation, Scholarly Research Grant (\$7,500) (2017-2018)

New York University, Wagner Graduate School, Faculty Grants (\$2,000) (2017-2018)

Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action, Doctoral I Fellowship (2017)

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Institute certification (2015)

ICPSR Scholarship for Public Administration, Public Policy, and Public Affairs (\$4,000) (Summer 2015)

Research Grant, Earhart Foundation (\$20,000) (2014 /15 academic year)

Research Grant, Earhart Foundation (\$18,000) (2013 /14 academic year)

New York University PhD Research Stipend (\$50,000) (2011-2013)

New York University PhD Tuition (2011 – 2018)

National Urban Fellowship (\$60,000) funding tuition, stipend and research through Baruch College (City University of New York) and the Bellevue Hospital Center (2004-2005)

Presbyterian Peace Fellowship Grant (\$1,000), for interviews and political observation in war-torn regions of Colombia, South America (2003)

Hopkins Shareholder Award, Harvard University, Harvard Divinity School (1994-1995)

Harvard Divinity School Institutional Grant (\$14,000) (1991-1993)

Uzbek Award, University of Washington (1990)

TEACHING

Nazarbayev University (Astana, Kazakhstan), Graduate School of Public Policy

Assistant Professor:

Research Methods for Public Managers, masters program (Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Fall 2024, Fall 2025)

Public Policy and Analysis, doctoral seminar (Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2025)

The Third Sector: civil society, nonprofit organizations and voluntary action, masters program (Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025)

Academic Supervisor:

Masters thesis supervisor in public policy and in public administration (Spring 2023 – Autumn 2025)

Dissertation supervisor, PhD program in public policy (Spring – Autumn 2025)

Executive Education:

Leveraging Status and Power, Leader of a New Formation (Fall 2024)

Leveraging Status and Power, Special retraining courses for appointment to managerial positions (Fall 2024)

Wagner College (Staten Island, NY), Department of Government and Politics

Visiting Assistant Professor:

Public Policy (Spring 2022)

Politics of Poverty and Welfare (Spring 2022)

American Politics (Fall 2021)

Public Administration (Fall 2021, Spring 2022)

Reflective Tutorial (Fall 2021)

New York University, Wilf Family Department of Politics

Faculty Thesis Supervisor, *Masters Thesis Seminar*, graduate (Spring 2020 – Summer 2023)

Adjunct Faculty, *American Politics Seminar*, graduate (Fall 2019, Summer 2021)

Adjunct Faculty, *Interest Groups and Social Movements*, undergraduate (Spring 2020, Spring 2021)

Adjunct Faculty, *Interest Group Politics in the U.S.*, graduate (Fall 2020)

Adjunct Faculty, *Politics of Poverty and Welfare*, undergraduate (Fall 2020)

Adjunct Faculty, *Normative Issues in Public Policy*, undergraduate (Spring 2018)

New York University, Wagner School of Public Service

Adjunct Faculty, *Policy Formation and Policy Analysis*, graduate (Spring 2021)

Course Assistant, *The Politics of Public Policy*, undergraduate (Spring and Fall 2017)

Course Assistant, *Capstone Seminars*, graduate (Fall 2015 – Fall 2018)

Adjunct Faculty, *Managing Public Service Organizations*, graduate (Fall 2015)

Grader, *Normative Issues in Public Policy*, undergraduate (Spring 2017)

Grader, *Foundations of Nonprofit Management*, graduate (Fall 2012)

New York University, Global Institute of Public Health

Graduate Employee Adjunct, *Health Policy in a Global World*, undergraduate (Spring 2014)

University of Washington, Slavic Department

Teaching Assistant, *Early Russian Literature*, undergraduate (Fall 1990)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & SERVICE

University Service

Teaching and Learning Committee, Nazarbayev University (2022 – 2025)

Internship Committee, Nazarbayev University (2023 – 2025)

Admissions Committee, Nazarbayev University (2022 – 2025)

Library Committee, Nazarbayev University (2023 – present)

Doctoral Program Representative, Doctoral Board, NYU Wagner (2012 – 2014)

Reader, National Urban Fellows Admissions Committee (2006 – 2009)

Elected Member, Harvard Divinity School Admissions Committee (1994 – 1995)

Elected Member, Student Government, Harvard Divinity School (1992 – 1993)

Media Service

Television: PBS, CNN, Fox News

Radio: National Public Radio

Earned media for issue campaigns including: Washington Post, New York Times, NY Daily News, Daily Kos, Philadelphia Enquirer, Delaware County Daily Times, CNN, Fox News, PBS, and religious news outlets such as the Religious News Service, The Christian Century, the United Church News, and Presbyterian News Service.

Additional Activities and Positions

Campaign coordination and communications, Service Employees International Union (2006 – 2011)

Election Organizer-Monitor, Dominican Republic Federal Elections (2008)

Special Assistant to the Director of Quality Management, Bellevue Hospital, NYC (2004 – 2005)

Organizing Director, Presbyterian Welcome Inclusive Churches Working Together (1997 – 2004)

Assistant Pastor, Jan Hus Presbyterian Church (1997 – 2000)

Interim Assistant for Social Justice, The Riverside Church (1995-1996)

Reference Librarian, Harvard-Radcliffe University, The Schlesinger Library (1993-1994)

Environmental restoration, Bestmann Green Systems, Inc. (1992)

Supervisor/Russian Translator, Marine Resources Inc., Seattle, WA (1989 – 1990)

References

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School of Public Policy, Pennsylvania State University

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