

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## **Educational Experience**

**University of California, Santa Barbara**, Santa Barbara, CA.

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science, 2007.

Specializations: Comparative Politics  
International Politics  
Post-Soviet and Eastern European Politics  
Social Science Methodology

Title of Dissertation: "The Russian Constitutional Court: An Analysis of Its Evolution  
Within a Developing Federal System"

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## **Teaching Exp**

**Part-Time Instructor, Mission College, Santa Clara, CA.**

Courses Taught:

Introduction to American Government (Fall 2013; Fall 2014; Spring 2015; Fall 2015; Spring 2016; Fall 2016; Spring 2017; Fall 2017; Spring 2018; Fall 2018; Spring 2019; Spring 2020; Fall 2020)

Introduction to Comparative Government (Spring 2009; Fall 2009; Spring 2010; Spring 2011; Spring 2012)

Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2009; Fall 2010; Fall 2011)

**Part-Time Instructor, Gart-**

**2007**

Paper Presentation – Presented paper “Formation vs. Action: What Empowers Constitutional Courts?”

**Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 12-15, 2007**

Paper Presentation – Presented paper “Formation vs. Action: What Empowers Constitutional Courts?”

**Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 20-23, 2006**

Paper Presentation - Presented paper “The Russia Constitutional Court: Solution to the ‘Parade of Sovereignties’ in Russia?”

**Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 7-10, 2005**

Paper Presentation - Presented paper “An Analysis of the Russian Constitutional Court and its Role in Resolving Issues of Federalism in the Russian Federation for the Period 1995-2003.”

**Program for Nonproliferation Studies**, Monterey Institute for International Studies, Monterey, CA.

Research Associate/Abstracter (February - May 1994, September 1994 - May 1995)