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Chinese Language Proficiency Diploma, Beijing Foreign Studies University (China), Feb. 1997

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Professor, Department of Economics, Texas Christian University, Aug. 2018 -Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Texas Christian University, Aug. 2011 - Aug. 2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Texas Christian University, Aug. 2005 - Aug. 2011 Instructor, Department of Economics, State University of New York at Binghamton, June 2001 - May 2005

VISITING APPOINTMENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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Fellow, Center for International Collaboration in Economic Research (CICER), RUDN University, Moscow, Russia, since June 2018

Visiting Researcher, Bank of Finland Institute for Economies in Transition (BOFIT), Helsinki, Finland, July - Aug. 2017

Visiting Fellow, Center for Cold War International History Studies, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China, July 2016, June 2017

Visiting Fellow, Department of Europe, Americas, and Eurasia, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), Sejong, South Korea, May-June 2015

Visiting Scholar, Economic Research Institute, Far Eastern Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Khabarovsk, Russia, Aug. 2014

Yegor Gaidar Fellow, U.S. Russia Foundation for Economic Advancement and the Rule of Law (USRF) and the International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), 2014-2015

Fellow, Centre for Advanced Study (CAS), Sofia, Bulgaria, May-July 2014

Visiting Researcher, Institute for Studies of the Recent Past, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct.-Nov. 2012

Visiting Research Fellow, Economic Research and Forecasting Division, Bulgarian National Bank, Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug.-Sept. 2008

PUBLICATIONS

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"Regional Inequality and Convergence in Large Emerging Economies: A Distribution Dynamics Approach," *Macroe-conomic Dynamics*, 2020, forthcoming.

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"Regional and Sectoral Patterns and Determinants of Comparative Advantage in China," (with W. Charles Sawyer and Wenting Yu), *Frontiers of Economics in China*, 12(1), 2017, 7-36.

"External Debt Relief Initiatives and Economic Growth in Least Developed Countries," (with Evelyn Wamboye), The Journal of Developing Areas, 50(2), 2016, 213-229.

"Regional Integration and Economic Convergence in Northeast Asia: Evidence from the Greater Tumen Initiative," *Journal of Northeast Asia Development*, 17, 2015, 85-108.

"The Efficiency of Postal Services in the Age of Market Liberalization and the Internet: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe," *Utilities Policy*, 36, 2015, 35-42.

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"External Debt, Labor Productivity Growth, and Convergence: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa," (with Evelyn Wamboye), *The World Economy*, 38(5), 2015, 856-877.

"Technology Adoption and Growth in Sub-Saharan African Countries," (with Evelyn Wamboye and Bruno Sergi), Comparative Economic Studies, 57(1), 2015, 136-167.

"Transition, Integration, and Catching Up: Income Convergence between Central and Eastern Europe and the EU," (with Nikolay Nenovsky), Mondes en Développement, 42(3/167), 2014, 73-92.

"Sectoral Productivity and Regional Disparities in China, 1978-2006," (with Wenting Yu), *Comparative Economic Studies*, 55(4), 2013, 582-605.

"Politiques Monétaires et Intégration Européenne: Le Cas des Deux Pays des Balkans [Monetary Policies and European Integration: The Case of Two Balkan Countries]," (with Nikolay Nenovsky and Camelia Turcu), *Revue d'Études Comparatives Est-Ouest*, 44(2), 2013, 141-162. [in French]

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"Monetary Regimes, Economic Stability, and EU Accession: Comparing Bulgaria and Romania," (with Nikolay Nenovsky and Camelia Turcu), *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, 46(1), 2013, 13-23.

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"The Scenarios of Cooperation between Heilongjiang Province and the Regions of the Far East," (with Dmitry Izotov), in *Present Problems of Regional Development*, ed. E. Frisman, 389-392. Birobidzhan, Russia: Institute for Complex Analysis of Regional Problems of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Far Eastern Branch, 2016. [in Russian]

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"Trade, Border Effects, and Regional Integration between Russia's Far East and Northeast Asia," *IREX Research Brief*, International Research and Exchanges Board, Washington, D.C., Nov. 2014.

"Bulgaria Banking Meltdown Averted for Now, but There May Still Be Trouble Ahead," *The Conversation*, July 4, 2014.

"The End of Paper Money," Manager, 151 (May), 2011, 109-110. [in Bulgarian]

"On the Way to Recovery: How the Economies in Different Countries Respond to the Financial Contagion," *Manager*, 133 (November), 2009, 36-37. [in Bulgarian]

"Sinology: The Academic Study of China in Germany," Jingmao/Wirtschaft & Handel, 11 (March), 2000, 11. [in German]

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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5th Annual Monetary Research Center Conference "Europe after the EU Elections: Monetary and Economic Perspectives", University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 2019

12th International Conference on the Chinese Economy "A New Era for China: Growth Sustainability and Broadened International Development", Institut de Recherche sur l'Economie de la Chine (IDREC), Université Clermont-Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand, France, Oct. 2019

6th Society for Economic Measurement Conference, Frankfurt, Germany, August 2019

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Dalian, China, June 2019

1st Center for International Collaboration in Economic Research Conference, RUDN University, Moscow, Russia, April 2019

XX April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2019

5th Henan University/INFER Workshop on Applied Macroeconomics, Kaifeng, China, March 2019

4th Annual Monetary Research Center Conference "The New Realities in the European Union and the Place of the Balkan Countries", University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 2018

Far East Con International Interdisciplinary Conference, Khabarovsk/Vladivostok, Russia, Oct. 2018

4th Henan University/INFER Workshop on Applied Macroeconomics, Kaifeng, China, June 2018

XIX April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2018

Midwest Economic Theory and International Trade Meeting, Dallas, TX, Nov. 2017

Asia Economic Community Forum, Incheon, South Korea, Nov. 2017

11th International Conference on the Chinese Economy "The "New Normal Growth" and the Future of China's Economy", Institut de Recherche sur l'Economie de la Chine (IDREC), Université Clermont-Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand, France, Oct. 2017

3rd Annual Monetary Research Center Conference "Monetary Regimes: 20 Years of Currency Board in Bulgaria", University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 2017

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Nanjing, China, June 2017

2nd World Congress of Comparative Economics, St. Petersburg, Russia, June 2017

XVIII April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2017

3rd Henan University/INFER Workshop on Applied Macroeconomics, Kaifeng, China, March 2017

18th Annual Conference of the North Eastern Economic Association, Guwahati, India, Dec. 2016

2nd Annual Monetary Research Center Conference "Economic Lessons, Perspectives and Challenges from the Balkans", University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 2016

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Shenzhen, China, June 2016

XVII April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2016

Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Jan. 2016

Asia Economic Community Forum, Incheon, South Korea, Nov. 2015

1st World Congress of Comparative Economics, Rome, Italy, June 2015

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Chongqing, China, June 2015

5th Conference "Russia and China: History and Perspectives of Cooperation", Blagoveshchensk, Russia, May 2015

XVI April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2015

BALKINT Conference on the Western Balkans and the European Union, Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 2014

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Guangzhou, China, June 2014

Eurasia Business and Economics Society Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2014

XV April International Academic Conference On Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, April 2014

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Chengdu, China, June 2013

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Kaifeng, China, June 2012

International Symposium on the Economics of Education, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Dec. 2011

Eurasia Business and Economics Society Conference, Zagreb, Croatia, Oct. 2011

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Beijing, China, June 2011

"Europe and the Balkans: Integration, Challenges, and Solutions" Conference, Orleans, France, Feb. 2011

"Small Open Economies' Policy Options in the Global Economic Crisis" Conference, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov. 2010

Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX, Sept. 2010

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Xiamen, China, June 2010

North American Productivity Workshop VI, Rice University, June 2010

Scottish Economic Society Annual Conference, Perth, Scotland, April 2010

"20 Years of Transition in CEE: Money, Banking, and Financial Markets" CICM Conference, London, Sept. 2009

International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS 6), Daejeon, Korea, Aug. 2009

Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Nanning, China, June 2009

Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, Jan. 2009

Indian Statistical Institute Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Delhi, India, Dec. 2008

"The Microeconomic Drivers of Growth in China" Conference, University of Oxford, Sept. 2008

International Workshop on Chinese Productivity, Hangzhou, China, Sept. 2008

World Congress of the International Economic Association, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2008

International Conference on Macroeconomic Analysis, University of Crete, Greece, May 2008 International Forum on Sustainable Development in China, World Bank, Washington, D.C., Oct. 2007 Singapore Economic Review Conference, Singapore, August 2007 Chinese Economists Society Annual China Conference, Changsha, China, July 2007 Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, March 2007 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC, Nov. 2006 "Globalization and the Developing Countries" Conference, Vanderbilt University, Nov. 2006 Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, Sept. 2006 Southwestern Economics Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, April 2006 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, Nov. 2005 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 2004 International Colloquium "75 Years of Development Research", Cornell University, May 2004 Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, Feb. 2004 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, Nov. 2003 New York Conference on Asian Studies, University at Buffalo, NY, Oct. 2003 Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, Yale University, Oct. 2003 New York State Economic Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, Oct. 2003 Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, Feb. 2003

INVITED SEMINARS

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, Editorial Board, Eurasian Journal of Economics and Finance, since 2014

Member, Editorial Board, Spatial Economics, since 2014

Referee

African Development Review, African Journal of Business Management, Agricultural Sciences, American Journal of Economics and Sociology, Biology, Children and Youth Services Review, China Economic Review, Climate, Cold War History, Communist and Post-Communist Studies, Comparative Economic Studies, Contemporary Economic Policy, Eastern European Economics, Economic Alternatives, Economic Modelling, Economic Systems, Economics Bulletin, Economies, Emerging Markets Finance and Trade, Energies, Energy Economics, Energy Policy, Environmental Progress & Sustainable Energy, Eurasian Economic Review, Frontiers of Economics in China, Global Economy Journal, Global Journal of Political Science and International Relations, Global Scholars Journal of Business Management and Public Administration, Growth and Change, International Journal of Business and Marketing Management, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, International Journal of Risk Assessment and Management, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Business Economics and Management, Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies, Journal of Developing Areas, Journal of Economic Integration, Journal of Economic Issues, Journal of Economics and International Finance, Journal of International Money and Finance, Journal of International Organizations Studies, Journal of Internet Banking and Commerce, Journal of Traffic and Transportation Engineering, Latin American Journal of Economics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Mathematics, Mondes en Développement, Post-Communist Economies, Papers in Regional Science, PLOS ONE, Public Budgeting and Finance, Singapore Economic Review, Socio-Economic Planning Sciences, Southwestern Economic Review, Studia Politica (Romanian Political Science Review), Sustainability, Telematics and Informatics, The American Economist, The World Economy, World Development

Textbook reviewer

Addison Wesley (Pearson) [Parkin: *Macroeconomics*]

McGraw-Hill [Karlan and Morduch: *Principles of Economics*]

Pearson [Vincent and Yared: Intermediate Macroeconomics]

South-Western (Cengage) [Anderson, Sweeney, and Williams: Statistics for Business and Economics;

Hall and Lieberman: Macroeconomics: Principles and Applications;

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Springer [M. Porto: International Trade with R: R codes for UNCTAD & WTO's Practical Guide to Trade Policy Analysis]

W. W. Norton [Jones: *Macroeconomics*]

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External reviewer

Ph.D. dissertations

Nona Gelitashvili, Faculty of Economics and Business, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia, 2009 Wayan Widya Arsana, Economics, UWA Business School, The University of Western Australia, 2014 Thi Huynh, Economics, UNE Business School, University of New England, Australia, 2016

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Tenure and Promotion

Economics, Division of Business and Engineering, Pennsylvania State University-Altoona, 2014 Promotion to Full Professor, Dept. of Economics, Queens College, City University of New York (CUNY), 2019 Promotion to Associate Professor (Level D), UNE Business School, University of New England, Australia, 2019

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

"Trade as a Channel for Economic Development: China's Northeast in the Global Economy," Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2020 - May 2021, \$4,400

"Time Zone Differences and Regional Trade in Russia," AddRan Faculty Summer Research Award, Texas Christian University, June 2020 - May 2021, \$3,000

"Data Analysis and Macroeconomic Applications: Enhancing Student Analytical Skills," Instructional Development Grant, Texas Christian University, June 2020 - May 2021, \$3,600

"Geographic and Historical Determinants of East Asian Economic Development," AddRan Interdisciplinary Teaching/Research Grant, Texas Christian University, June 2019 - May 2020, \$3,000

"Pastoralism in Mongolia: Facing the Challenges of the 21st Century," Discovering Global Citizenship Initiative, Texas Christian University, Oct. 2017 - March 2018, \$5,500

"North Korea: Economic Reforms, Political Dynamics, and the Threat to Regional Stability in East Asia," Discovering Global Citizenship Initiative, Texas Christian University, Nov. 2016 - Nov. 2017, \$5,200

"Eastern Europe, the Euro, and the Crisis in the European Union," Discovering Global Citizenship Initiative, Texas Christian University, March 2016 - Sept. 2016, \$4,500

"Ideology and the Turbulent Nature of the Strategic Partnership between China and Russia: An Interdisciplinary Perspective," (joint with Carrie L. Currier), TCU Invests in Scholarship (TCU IS), Texas Christian University, July 2015 - Aug. 2016, \$17,500

"Pastoralism, Poverty, and Sustainable Development in Mongolia," Discovering Global Citizenship Initiative, Texas Christian University, Sept. 2015 - Feb. 2016, \$4,100

"Trade, FDI and Regional Integration: Border Effects between Russia's Far East and Korea," Visiting Fellows Program, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), May 2015 - June 2015, \$7,000

"Border Effects and Regional Integration in Large Emerging Economies," Mid-Career Summer Research Program, AddRan College of Liberal Arts, Texas Christian University, May 2015 - Aug. 2015, \$5,000

"Trade, Border Effects, and Regional Integration between Russia's Far East and China," Yegor Gaidar Fellowship Program in Economics, U.S. Russia Foundation for Economic Advancement and the Rule of Law (USRF) and International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), Aug. 2014, \$10,358

"The 'Great Leap Forward' Campaign in Bulgaria and China: A Comparative Analysis," Advanced Academia Programme, Centre for Advanced Study, Sofia, Bulgaria, May 2014 - July 2014, \$5,000

"From Ideological Foes to Economic Partners: The Interplay of Political and Economic Ideology as a Determinant of the Relationship between China and Russia," (joint with Carrie L. Currier), Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2013 - May 2014, \$4,750

"Learning from China: Economic Reforms in Bulgaria in the 1950s," Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2012 - May 2013, \$3,660

"Economic Growth and Institutional Quality: A Cross-Country Empirical Analysis," (joint with Justin R. Bass), Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Initiative, Texas Christian University, Oct. 2011 - May 2012, \$1,250

"Stemming the Brain Drain: Evaluating the Efficiency of Universities and Government Funding in Bulgaria," Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2010 - May 2011, \$2,000

"Growth and Regional Inequality in China: Evidence from County-Level Data," AAS-CIAC Small Grant, China and Inner Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies, May 2008 - April 2009, \$1,000

"The Economic Impact of EU Accession: Evidence from the Banking Sector in Bulgaria," Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2008- May 2009, \$4,000

"The Relationship between Business Cycle Fluctuations and Economic Growth: Regional and International Evidence," Research and Creative Activities Fund, Texas Christian University, June 2006- May 2007, \$2,757

"Teaching Asian Economics: Data Analysis and Global Perspectives," Instructional Development Grant, Texas Christian University, Jan. 2006- May 2006, \$2,100

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Texas Christian University, 2005-

Introductory Macroeconomics Intermediate Macroeconomics Asian Economics Economics of Transition Econometrics International Trade and Payments

State University of New York at Binghamton, 2000-2005

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