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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Wisconsin—Madison, 2009
Fields: Comparative Politics, Research Methods, Comparative Law (Minor)

M.A., Agricultural and Applied Economics, University of Wisconsin—Madison, 2006

M.A., Political Science, University of Wisconsin—Madison, 2003

B.S.F.S., Edmond A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 1997
Certificate in Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies

Moscow Institute for Social and Political Studies, Moscow, Russia, Fall 1995

Appointments

Academic Appointments

University of Pittsburgh, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs

- Associate Professor, 2017-present
- Assistant Professor, 2009-2017

University of Washington, School of Law

- Faculty Affiliate, 2018-present

Leadership Positions at University of Pittsburgh

- Founding Director, Center for Governance and Markets, 2019-present
- Director, International Development Program, 2017-2019

Faculty Affiliations at the University of Pittsburgh

Center for Asian Studies, Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, Global Studies Center, World History Center, Ridgway Center for International Security

Non-Academic Appointments

Full-time Appointments

- Atlantic Council, Senior Non-Resident Fellow, Eurasia Center, 2021-
- Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit, Senior Research Officer, Kabul, Afghanistan, 2007-2008.
- United States Agency for International Development, Democracy and Governance Officer, Central Asia Regional Mission, Uzbekistan Country Office, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, 1999-2002.
- United States Peace Corps, Secondary Education and Teaching English as a Foreign Language, Samarkand, Uzbekistan, 1997-1999.

- Civilian Research and Development Foundation Global, Project Assistant, Arlington, VA, 1996-1997.

Short-term Appointments

- World Bank, Social Development: Social, Urban, Rural and Resilience Global Practice, 2016-2019.
- World Bank, Macroeconomics, Trade & Investment Global Practice, 2019-2020.
- United States Agency for International Development, Justice Reform in Uzbekistan Program, 2018-19.
- United States Agency for International Development, Team Leader, Democracy and Governance Strategy Assessment, Kyrgyz Republic, June 2018.
- World Bank, Investment Climate Group, 2015-2016.
- United States Agency for International Development/Central Asian Mission, Tajikistan, 2012-2016.
- Leadership Development and Education for Sustained Peace, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA, Faculty Mentor, 2011-2014.
- United Nations, Afghanistan, Contributor: Common Country Analysis, 2013.
- United States Agency for International Development (Democracy International). Afghanistan Governance Strategy Assessment, 2012.
- United States Agency for International Development, Africa, and Middle East Bureau (Management Systems International). 2010.
- National Security Interest Corporation/Department of Defense, Washington, DC, 2009-2010.
- Internews, Kabul, Afghanistan 2005-6.
- United Nations Development Program, Support to the Establishment of the Afghan Legislature, Kabul, Afghanistan, 2006.

Publications

Books

1. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Ilia Murtazashvili. In press. *Land, the State, and War: Property Institutions and Political Order in Afghanistan*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
2. Harris, Colin, Meina Cai, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2020. *The Origins and Consequences of Property Rights: Austrian, Public Choice, and Institutional Economics Perspectives*. Cambridge University Press.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2016. *Informal Order and the State in Afghanistan*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Book under Contract

1. The Political Economy of the Commons: Why Tragedies Are Not Inevitable, Edward Elgar Press, New Thinking in Political Economy Series.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Cai, Meina, Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Hui Wang. 2020. "Sugarcoating the Bitter Pill: Compensation, Land Governance, and Opposition to Land Expropriation in China." *The Journal of Peasant Studies* 47(6): 1371–92.
2. Cai, Meina, Ilia Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, and Raufhon Salahodjaev. 2020. "Patience and Climate Change Mitigation: Global Evidence." *Environmental Research* 186: 109552.
3. Jochem, Torsten, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2020. "Can the Design of Electoral Institutions Improve Perceptions of Democracy in Fragile States? Evidence from Afghanistan." *Journal of Global Security Studies* 5(3): 443–62.
4. Cai, Meina, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2020. "The Politics of Land Property Rights." *Journal of Institutional Economics* 16(2): 151–67.
5. Cai, Meina, Ilia Murtazashvili, Jennifer Murtazashvili, and Raufhon Salahodjaev. 2020. "Individualism and Governance of the Commons." *Public Choice* 184(1–2): 175–95.
6. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Ilia Murtazashvili. 2020. "Wealth-Destroying States." *Public Choice* 182(3–4): 353–71.
7. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2019. "Pathologies of Centralized State-Building." *PRISM* 8(2): 14.
8. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2019. "The Political Economy of State Building." *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice* 34(2): 189–207.
9. Murtazashvili, Ilia, Jennifer Murtazashvili, and Raufhon Salahodjaev. 2019. "Trust and Deforestation: A Cross-Country Comparison." *Forest Policy and Economics* 101: 111–19.
10. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2019. "The Political Economy of Legal Titling." *The Review of Austrian Economics* 32(3): 251–68.
11. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2018. "A Tired Cliché: Why We Should Stop Worrying About Ungoverned Spaces and Embrace Self-Governance." *Journal of International Affairs* 71(2): 11–29.
12. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2017. "Coercive Capacity, Land Reform and Political Order in Afghanistan." *Central Asian Survey* 36(2): 212–30.
13. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2016. "Can Community-Based Land Adjudication and Registration Improve Household Land Tenure Security? Evidence from Afghanistan." *Land Use Policy* 55: 230–39.
14. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2016. "When Does the Emergence of a Stationary Bandit Lead to Property Insecurity?" *Rationality and Society* 28(3): 335–60.
15. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2016. "Does the Sequence of Land Reform and Political Reform Matter? Evidence from State-Building in Afghanistan." *Conflict, Security & Development* 16(2): 145–72.
16. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2016. "The Origins of Private Property Rights: States or Customary Organizations?" *Journal of Institutional Economics* 12(01): 105–128.
17. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2016. "Afghanistan in 2015." *Asian Survey* 56(1): 187–98.
18. Jochem, Torsten, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2016. "Establishing Local Government in Fragile States: Experimental Evidence from Afghanistan." *World Development* 77: 293–310.
19. Jochem, Torsten, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2015. "Social Identity and Voting in Afghanistan: Evidence from a Survey Experiment." *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 2(1): 47–62.

20. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2015. "Gaming the State: Consequences of Contracting out State Building in Afghanistan." *Central Asian Survey* 34(1): 78–92.
21. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2015. "Bad Medicine." *Central Asian Affairs* 2(1): 10–34.
22. Murtazashvili, Ilia, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2015. "Anarchy, Self-Governance, and Legal Titling." *Public Choice* 162(3): 287–305.
23. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2014. "Informal Federalism: Self-Governance and Power Sharing in Afghanistan." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 44(2): 324–43.
24. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2012. "Coloured by Revolution: The Political Economy of Autocratic Stability in Uzbekistan." *Democratization* 19(1): 78–97.
 Reprinted: Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2014. "Coloured by Revolution: The Political Economy of Autocratic Stability in Uzbekistan." In *Coloured Revolutions and Authoritarian Reactions*, eds. Evgeny Finkel and Yitzhak M. Brudny. New York: Routledge, 78–79.
25. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2010. "Armed with Practice: Learning to Engage with the Military." *The Forum* 8(3).

Non-Peer Reviewed Articles

1. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2019. "What Can We Learn about Theories of Self-Governance by Studying Its Most Extreme Cases?" *The Review of Austrian Economics*.
2. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Ilia Murtazashvili. 2019. "What Are the Lessons of the American Frontier for the Developing World?" *American Political Science Association-Comparative Politics Newsletter* 29(1): 83–98.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2016. "Afghanistan: A Vicious Cycle of State Failure." *Governance* 29(2): 163–66.
4. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2015. "Afghanistan in 2014: Year of Transition." *Asian Survey* 55(1): 21–32.

Book Chapters

1. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2020. "The Wealth and Poverty of Self-Governing Communities." In *Philosophy, Politics, and Austrian Economics*, Advances in Austrian Economics, eds. Daniel J. D'Amico and Adam G. Martin. Emerald Publishing Limited, 153–72.
2. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. in press. "Customary Governance and the State in Central Asia." In *Central Asia in Context*, ed. David W. Montgomery. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2020. "Central Asia." In *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism*, John Wiley & Sons, Ltd, 159–63.
4. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Ilia Murtazashvili. 2020. "Bottom-Up State-Building." In *Bottom-up Responses to Crisis*, Mercatus Studies in Political and Social Economy, eds. Stefanie Haeffele and Virgil Henry Storr. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 113–30.
5. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Ilia Murtazashvili. 2020. "When Is Top-Down State-Building Appropriate?" In *Government Responses to Crisis*, Mercatus Studies in Political and Social Economy, eds. Stefanie Haeffele and Virgil Henry Storr. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 111–27.
6. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2016. "Can a Shale Gas Revolution Save Central and South Asia?" In *The Global Impact of Unconventional Shale Gas Development: Economics, Policy, and Interdependence*, Natural Resource Management and Policy, eds. Yongsheng Wang and William E. Hefley. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 171–97.

7. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2016. "Subnational Governance in Afghanistan: Back to the Future." In *State Strengthening in Afghanistan: Lessons Learned, 2001-14*, eds. Scott Smith and Colin Cookman. Washington, DC: United States Institute of Peace, 53–68.
8. Stanfield, J. David, Jennifer Murtazashvili, Mohammad Yasin Safar, and Akram Salam. 2013. "Community Documentation of Land Tenure and Its Contribution to State Building in Afghanistan." In *Land and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding*, eds. Jon Unruh and Rhodri Williams. New York: Routledge, 265–92.
9. Stanfield, J. David, Mohammad Yasin Safar, Akram Salam, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili. 2010. "Rangeland Administration in (Post) Conflict Conditions: The Case of Afghanistan." In *Innovations in Land Rights Recognition, Administration, and Governance*, eds. Klaus Deininger, Clarissa Augustinus, Stig Enemark, and Paul Munro-Faure. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 225–41.

Review Articles and Book Reviews

1. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2020. "Central Asia in the Era of Sovereignty: The Return of Tamerlane?" *Russian Review*.
2. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2020. "Dan Honig, Navigation by Judgment: Why and When Top Down Management of Foreign Aid Doesn't Work (New York: Oxford University Press, 2018)." *Public Administration Review* 80(5): 904–5.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer et al. 2018. "Warlords and Coalition Politics in Post-Soviet States, by Jesse Driscoll." *Caucasus Survey* 6(2): 163–81.
4. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. 2018. "Review: Order at the Bazaar: Power and Trade in Central Asia." *Central Asian Affairs* 5(4): 373–87.
5. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2016. "Securing Afghanistan: From the inside Out." *Central Asian Survey* 35(4): 572–76.
6. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2015. "Iraqi Federalism and the Kurds: Learning to Live Together, by Alex Danilovich." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 45(1): e1.
7. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2010. "Changing Poverty, Changing Policies." *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis: Research and Practice* 12(5): 547–48.

Research Reports and Policy Engagement

1. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. in press. *Democracy Denied: The False Promise of Afghanistan's Constitutional Order*. Kabul: Afghanistan Institute for Strategic Studies.
2. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and David Jackson. 2018. *Engaging Customary Authority in Community- Driven Development to Reduce Corruption Risks*. Oslo: Chr. Michelsen Institute.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2016. *Assessment of Local Governance in Tajikistan*. Washington, DC: United States Agency for International Development.
4. Nijat, Aarya, and Jennifer Murtazashvili. 2015. *Women's Leadership Roles in Afghanistan*. Washington, DC: United States Institute of Peace.
5. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2013. *Evaluation Baseline Report: Tajikistan Local Governance Project Impact Evaluation*. Washington, DC: United States Agency for International Development.
6. Murtazashvili, Jennifer. 2012. *Survey on Political Institutions, Elections, and Democracy in Afghanistan*. Washington, DC: Democracy International and United States Agency for International Development.

Opinion Pieces

1. Expert analysis, October 28, 2020. “Hopes Dim for Reformed Kyrgyzstan as New President Consolidates Power.” Atlantic Council.
2. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. October 27, 2020. “Community Before Politics.” *Discourse Magazine*.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Colleen Wood. October 10, 2020. “Election Officials Annulled Kyrgyzstan’s October Election. Here’s Why.” *Washington Post*.
4. Expert Analysis, October 8, 2020. Kyrgyzstan Gripped by Political Chaos Again: What Comes Next? Atlantic Council.
5. Murtazashvili, Jennifer, and Bahrom Mirakilov. August 20, 2020. “The Paradox of Uzbekistan’s Budding Virtual Civic Space.” *The Diplomat*.
6. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Mohammad Qadam Shah. July 21, 2020. “Defund Afghanistan.” *Discourse Magazine*.
7. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. June 1, 2020. “The Role of Russia and the Russian Language in Post-Karimov Uzbekistan.” *Atlantic Council*.
8. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. May 20, 2020. “The Problem Today Is Not Tribalism but Its Absence.” *Discourse Magazine*.
9. Murtazashvili, Jennifer, and Mohammad Qadam Shah. February 22, 2020. “Political Reform Urgently Needed in Afghanistan.” *The Diplomat*.
10. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and David Jackson. 2018. “Can Customary Authority Reduce Risks of Corruption and Local Capture? – Public Administration Review.” *Public Administration Review Blog*.
11. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, and Aarya Nijat. July 8, 2016. “Women’s Leadership from the Bottom Up.” *University World News*.
12. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick and Iliia Murtazashvili. July 6, 2016. “The Sequence of Land Reform and Political Reform.” *Political Violence at a Glance*.
13. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. November 2, 2014. “How Ghani Learned to Play the Tribal Game.” *Foreign Policy*.
14. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. March 22, 2014. “Resetting Afghanistan.” *Mark Syndicated News Service*.
15. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. May 8, 2013, “Land and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding.” *Terra Nullius*.
16. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. September 25, 2011. “Waiting for Gauhar Kamardinova.” *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*.

Works in Progress

Books in Progress

1. Customary Authority (proposal under review with Cambridge University Press)
2. Red Tape: How Institutional Legacies and Aid Derailed Governance and Stability in Afghanistan (with Mohammad Qadam Shah)
3. The Political Economy of Reform in Uzbekistan
4. The Political Origins of Property Rights in Land: Between Anarchy and Predation (with Meina Cai and Iliia Murtazashvili)

Working Papers

1. Weiss, Martin B. H. et al. 2019. *Blockchain Governance for Technologists*. Rochester, NY: Social Science Research Network. SSRN Scholarly Paper.
2. Bodon, Herminio et al. 2019. *Ostrom Amongst the Machines: Blockchain as a Knowledge Commons*. Rochester, NY: Social Science Research Network. SSRN Scholarly Paper.
3. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick. *The Political Economy of Institutional Layering: Evidence from Central Eurasia*
4. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick and Mohammad Qadam Shah. *Built to Fail: How Institutional Legacies and Aid Undermined State Building in Afghanistan*
5. Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick, Ilia Murtazashvili, Martin Weiss. *The Role of Blockchain in State Building*.
6. Alston, Eric, Pedro Bustamante, Meina Cai, Marcela Gomez, Colin Harris, Prashant Krishnamurthy, Michael Madison, Ilia Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, Tymofiy Mylovanov, Annette Vee, Martin Weiss. *Government by Code: The Blockchain Revolution in Public Sector Governance*.
7. Alston, Eric, Pedro Bustamante, Meina Cai, Marcela Gomez, Colin Harris, Prashant Krishnamurthy, Michael Madison, Ilia Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, Tymofiy Mylovanov, Annette Vee, Martin Weiss. *Can Blockchain Solve Legal Titling's Conundrum?*
8. Bustamante, Pedro, Meina Cai, Marcela Gomez, Colin Harris, Prashant Krishnamurthy, Michael Madison, Ilia Murtazashvili, Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, Tymofiy Mylovanov, Annette Vee, Martin Weiss. *Does Blockchain Eliminate The Middleman?*
9. Creppelle, Adam, Tate Fegley, Ilia Murtazashvili, and Jennifer Brick Murtazashvili, *Ostrom on the Reservation: Community Policing in Indian Country*.

Awards and Honors

1. Best Book Award in Social Sciences (for previous two years), Central Eurasian Studies Society for *Informal Order and the State in Afghanistan*.
2. Honorable Mention, International Studies Association—Global Development Section Book Prize for *Informal Order and the State in Afghanistan*.
3. Faculty Fellowship, University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 2018.
4. Donald Goldstein Professor of the Year Award, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, 2017.
5. Finalist, Elinor Ostrom Award, International Association for the Study of the Commons, 2015.
6. American Institute for Afghanistan Studies, Best Graduate Student Paper Award, 2008.
7. Graduate Fellow, University of Wisconsin—School of Law, Institute for Legal Studies, 2005-2007.
8. United States Agency for International Development, Superior Unit Citation for, “Designing and implementing post-September 11 conflict mitigation programs vital to the stability of Central Asia and critical to the achievement of U.S. foreign policy objectives,” 2002.

Grants

External

1. Subnational Governance in Nepal, Center for International Private Enterprise, \$83,000

2. Developing Public Administration Education in Kazakhstan, American Councils for International Education, 2020-2021, \$20,000
3. Center for Governance and Markets, Charles Koch Foundation, 2019-2024, \$4.2 million
4. United States Agency for International Development - Institute for International Education, 2016. \$33,000.
5. Conference on Afghanistan in Regional Perspective, United States Institute of Peace. 2013, \$2,000.
6. Electoral Reform in Afghanistan, United States Agency for International Development - Democracy International, 2011-2012, \$20,000.
7. Bradley Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, University of Wisconsin—Madison, Spring 2008, Fall 2008.
8. International Research and Exchange Program (IREX), International Advanced Research Opportunity Grant, 2006-2007 (declined)
9. National Security Education Program, Boren Graduate Fellowship, 2006-2007 (declined).

Intramural

University of Pittsburgh

1. Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, Travel Grant, 2018. \$2000
2. Faculty Research Grant, Richard Thornburgh Law and Public Policy Forum, 2014. \$5000
3. Conference Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Center for Asian Studies, 2013. \$3000
4. Conference Grant, University of Pittsburgh, European Union Studies Center/EU Center for Excellence, 2013. \$2000
5. Conference Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Global Studies Center, 2013. \$3000
6. Conference Grant, Center for Russian and East European Studies, 2013. \$5000
7. Faculty Research Grant, Center for Global Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 2011.
8. Domestic Travel Grant, Center for Global Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 2011.

University of Wisconsin—Madison

1. Vilas Travel Fellowship, 2006–2007, 2008-9.
2. Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship - Persian Language Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2003–2004, (declined 2004–2005).

Invited Talks

1. Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Tashkent (online), July 2020.
2. United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA), Kabul (online), June 2020
3. Keynote Speaker, Conference on Peacebuilding and Local Governance, Independent Directorate of Local Governance, Kabul, Afghanistan, February 2020.
4. University of Chicago, Pearson Institute for the Study of Violent Conflict, Inaugural Pearson Global Forum, October 2018.
5. Brown University, Politics, Philosophy, and Economics, September 2018
6. Centil Law, Tashkent, Uzbekistan. June 2018.
7. Development Strategy Center, Tashkent, Uzbekistan. May 2018.
8. Workshop in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, George Mason University, January 2018.
9. World Bank, October 2016.
10. Yale University, InterAsia Program, McMillan Center for International Studies, 2016.

11. U.S. Army, Human Terrain Systems, Ft. Leavenworth, KS. 2012, 2013.
12. Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization, Department of Defense, Arlington, VA. May 2013, 2010.
13. Indiana University, Workshop on Policy Analysis and Political Theory, Indiana University, 2011.
14. Australian National University, Graduate School of International Affairs. October 2010.
15. National Defense Science Board, Counterinsurgency Task Force, National Intelligence Council, Washington, DC. May 2010.
16. Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC, January 2010.
17. St. Norbert College, Green Bay, WI, January 2009.

Invited Conferences and Workshops

1. University of Arizona, Conference on Voluntary Governance, October 2020.
2. Conference on Foreign Assistance and Political Development in Fragile States, Pearson Institute for the Study of Violent Conflict, University of Chicago. May 2020
3. Tashkent Law Spring, Ministry of Justice, Government of Uzbekistan, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, May 2019.
4. Empirical Cases of Self-Governance: King's College, University College London, Center for the Study of Governance and Society, Workshop on Self-Governance, June 2019.
5. Philosophy, Politics and Austrian Economics, Political Theory Project, Brown University, July 2019.
6. University of Gothenburg (Sweden), Program on Governance and Local Development, May 2019.
7. Future Directions in Social Science: A workshop on the Emergence of Problem-based Interdisciplinarity. Under the Secretary of defense for Research and Engineering, USD (R&E), Arlington, VA. April 2019.
8. Manuscript workshop for Timur Kuran's book, *Freedoms Delayed: The Political Legacies of Islamic Law in the Middle East*. George Mason University, March 2019.
9. Book panel: Paul Dragos Aligica, *Public Entrepreneurship, Citizenship, and Self Governance* (2018, Cambridge University Press), George Mason University, January 2019.
10. University of Gothenburg (Sweden), Program on Governance and Local Development, May 2018.
11. Columbia University, American Institute for Afghanistan Studies/Hollings Center, Afghanistan: The Next Generation of Scholars. February 2018.
12. NASPAA NEXT: A Leadership Development Institute for Public Affairs, Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration, Washington, DC, September 2017.
13. Indiana University, Ostrom Workshop on Policy and Political Theory, Informality and Development: A Conference in Honor of Elinor Ostrom. October 2016.
14. Social and Community Implications of Introducing DC Power, Business of Humanity Project, Katz School of Business, University of Pittsburgh. April 2016.
15. Stanford University/Chatham House/United States Institute of Peace, State-Strengthening in Afghanistan 2001-2014: Learning from the Past to Inform the Future. Washington, DC. March 2015.
16. Constructing Authority through Custom and Tradition: American University of Central Asia. Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. September 2013.

17. University of Zurich, Workshop on Ethnic Politics and Electoral Democracy. July 2012.
18. Conference on Traditional Justice and Development: United Nations Development Program, Bangkok, Thailand. October 2010.
19. Conference on Violent Armed Groups. Ridgway Center for Security Studies, University of Pittsburgh, October 2010.
20. United States Agency for International Development/United States Institute for Peace, Research Workshop on Tribes, States, and Development. September 2010.

Workshop Organizer

1. *Coexistence in Pluralist Societies*, Institute for Humane Studies, October 2020.
2. *Afghanistan: A Regional Way Forward?* University of Pittsburgh, December 2013.
3. The Sustainability of Community Development Councils in Afghanistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kabul, Afghanistan, January 2008.
4. *Investigating the Sustainability of Community Development Councils in Afghanistan: Research Methodology*, Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit Workshop, Kabul, Afghanistan, March 2007.

Public Presentations

Panel Discussant

1. “Afghanistan,” Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, University of Washington, Seattle, October 2017.
2. “Changing Political Economies of Authoritarianism in Central Asia,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 2016.
3. “Gender and Politics,” Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC., October 2015.
4. “Approaching Afghanistan: Ethnographies between Marginality and Power,” Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 2015.
5. “Illicit Political Economy and Security,” Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Meeting, New York City, October 2014.
6. “State Building,” (co-discussant, Francis Fukuyama) American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, September 2013.

Conference Roundtable Presentations

1. Roundtable: What Do We Know about International Statebuilding? International Studies Association, April 2021.
2. Roundtable: Discussing Central Asia in Context, Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, Washington, DC. October 2019.
3. Roundtable: Field Safety and Research Ethics. Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, University of Pittsburgh, October 2018.
4. Roundtable: Fieldwork in Challenging Settings. Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, University of Washington, Seattle. October 2017.

Selected Conference Presentations

1. “Red Tape: Political Centralization and Vicious Cycles in Afghanistan,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2020.

2. "Local Governance, Legitimacy, and Social Extraction: Survey Evidence from Uzbekistan," Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, Washington, DC. October 2019.
3. "Leadership in Turbulent Times: Perspectives from Conflict-Affected States," Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA) annual conference, Atlanta, October 2018.
4. "CESS Book Prize Author-Critic Forum: Jesse Driscoll's 'Warlords and Coalition Politics in Post-Soviet States.'" Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference, University of Washington, Seattle. October 2017.
5. "Social Institutions and Local Governance: Survey Evidence from Rural Tajikistan." Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual conference, University of Washington—Seattle, October 2017.
6. "The Paradox of State Strength: How Efforts to Strengthen Government Undermined Stability in Afghanistan," American Society of Public Administration, Riggs Symposium on Comparative Public Administration, Seattle. March 2016.
7. "Built to Fail: Institutional Design in Post-2001 Afghanistan," International Studies Association, Atlanta. March 2016.
8. Women's Leadership in Afghanistan (with Arya Nijat), Presented at Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Conference: October 2016.
9. "Built to Fail: Institutional Design in Post-2001 Afghanistan." Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Meeting. Columbia University, New York. October 2014.
10. "Desirability Bias and Ethical Challenges of Conducting Fieldwork in the Shadow of Aid Projects in Conflict Zones." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, September 2014.
11. "Land and the State: Customary Property Regimes and State Building in Afghanistan," with Ilia Murtazashvili, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, September 2012.
12. "Village Electoral Systems and State Building: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Rural Afghanistan," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, September 2012.
13. "Demand Driven State Building in Fragile States: Inter-communal Cooperation for the Provision of Public Goods in Rural Afghanistan," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, September 2011.
14. "The Formal-Informal Nexus in Rural Afghanistan," Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Honolulu, April 2011.
15. "Ungovernable Afghanistan? The Role of Customary Authority and International Assistance in Generating State Support," Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Denver, May 2009.
16. "The Politics of Property Rights in Afghanistan" with Ilia Murtazashvili, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2009.
17. "Informal Ties that Bind: Interest Aggregation and Representation in the Absence of the State," Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2009.
18. "Customary Organizations and Community Development in Rural Afghanistan," Conference on Afghan Development, Center for Global Studies and Center for Afghanistan Studies, University of Nebraska, Omaha, October 2008.
19. "Local Governance as an Instrument of State Building," Central Eurasian Studies Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, September 2008.
20. "The Political Economy of Customary Organizations in Rural Afghanistan," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, August 2008.

21. “The Political Foundations of State Building and Limited Government in Afghanistan,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2008.
22. “The 2005 Parliamentary Elections in Afghanistan: From the Campaign to the First Session – A Preliminary Assessment,” Center for Middle East Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, February 2006.

Online Panels and Podcast Appearances

1. Panelist: The Future of US Policy in Afghanistan – Human Rights, US Military Presence, and Confronting the Taliban, Los Angeles World Affairs Council, January 25, 2021.
2. Panelist: The Peril and Promise of the Afghan Peace Process: A Regional Perspective, Council on Foreign Relations Afghanistan, November 19, 2020.
3. Panelist: The Power of Conflicts and Protests in Central Asia—Comparative Analysis, Institute for War and Peace Reporting, November 5, 2020.
4. Panelist: Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, and EU Relations, Fredrich Ebert Stiftung, October 15, 2020.
5. Panelist: Center for International Private Enterprise Roundtable Discussion: Economic Transitions and Democratic Transitions – What’s the big deal? (conference respondent along with Thomas Carothers and Francis Fukuyama), October 8, 2020. (Discussion with select officials leading economic reforms around the world).
6. Panelist: Negotiating Peace in Afghanistan: The Way Forward, McColm & Company, September 29, 2020.
7. Panelist: Eurasian Hotspots, Eurasia Congressional Fellowship Virtual Roundtable, Atlantic Council, September 25, 2020. (Briefing of congressional staffers).
8. Moderator and Discussant: Promoting Productive Employment during the COVID-19 Crisis in Uzbekistan, International Labor Organization & Ministry of Employment and Labor Relations of the Republic of Uzbekistan, September 23, 2020.
9. Podcast panelist: What Has Changed in Mirziyoyev’s Four Years as Uzbek President? Majlis Podcast, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty. September 6, 2020.
10. Panelist: Prospects of Cooperation between Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, and the United States, Afghan Institute for Strategic Studies. July 23, 2020.
11. Panelist: Crisis Management as a Test of Reforms in Uzbekistan, Central Asia Program, George Washington University, June 11, 2020.
12. Podcast interview, Postindustrial Podcast, May 13, 2020.
13. Podcast panelist: Self-Governing Social Orders, Economic Methods, and Academic Women Roundtable, The Governance Podcast, King’s College, University College London, November 25, 2019.
14. Podcast panelist: Role of Women in Central Asian Governments, Majlis Podcast, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty. October 13, 2019.
15. Podcast interview: Decentralization and Reforms in Uzbekistan and Afghanistan, Governance Uncovered, May 2019.
16. Podcast panelist: Public Entrepreneurship, Citizenship, and Self-Governance Book Panel, Hayek Program Podcast, Mercatus Center, February 12, 2019.
17. Podcast interview: Jennifer Murtazashvili on Democracy and Informal Order in Afghanistan and Uzbekistan, Economic Rockstar, December 2018.
18. Podcast panel: [Is Uzbekistan Reforming under Its New President?](#) Majlis Podcast, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty. October 4, 2018.

19. Podcast interview: Christopher Coyne and Jennifer Murtazashvili on Foreign Aid and Development, Hayek Program Podcast, Mercatus Center, September 2018.

Teaching

PhD-level

1. Qualitative Research Design and Methods
2. State Building
3. Institutions and Development
4. Field Seminar in International Development

MA-level

1. Political Economy Analysis for Global Affairs
2. Administration of Public Affairs
3. Islam, Politics, and the State
4. Comparative Governance
5. Politics of Central Asia
6. Global Governance
7. Post-conflict Reconstruction
8. Capstone Seminar: Marcellus Shale Policy and Governance
9. Capstone Seminar: US State Department Diplomacy Lab working with US Embassies on governance issues in Libya and Tajikistan

Advising

Dissertation Committees

Chair—Graduate School of Public and International Affairs

- Blaire Modic, Property Rights, Corruption, and Courts: Evidence from Costa Rica - dissertator
- Pengshan Pan: Effects of Chinese Investment on Central Asian Labor Markets - dissertator
- Xin Han: Local Governance and Poverty Alleviation in China (will defend prospectus, Spring 2021)

Committee Member

- Liliana Devia: Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, dissertator
- Dan Bisbee: Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, dissertator
- Alekhya Velagapudi: School of Computing and Information (will defend prospectus, Spring 2021)
- Kira Pronin: Political Science, 2021
- Mohammad Qadam Shah, University of Washington, School of Law, 2018
- Caitlin Corrigan: Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, 2016
- Ronald Redondo: Political Science, 2016
- Shelley Scherer: Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, 2015
- Hande Sozer: Anthropology, 2012

Chair: Undergraduate Honors Thesis (B.Phil.)

- Marjorie Tolsdorf, 2017: The Relationship Between Religiosity of Kazakh Women and Attitudes toward Political, Economic, and Social Factors in Kazakhstan: Received Fulbright Award (Russia).
- Cian Stryker, 2016: Integration and Differentiation within the Russian Diaspora, Received Critical Language Fellowship after graduation.
- Nikolai Condee-Padunov, 2010: Maternal health infrastructure in Afghanistan. Received Fulbright Award (Norway).

Editorial Board Service

Central Asian Survey, 2019-present

Service

Service to the Global Community and Profession

- PONARS Eurasia, Member, 2019-present
- Co-Chair, Steering Committee, Program and Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg, 2019-present
- Board Member, CEDOS (Ukraine), 2019-present
- Board Member, Klooch (Ключ) Media (Republic of Georgia), 2019-present
- Independent expert witness (written affidavits and expert witness testimony), in support of applicants seeking political asylum in the United States, 2005-present.
- Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Election Observer, Presidential Elections, Kazakhstan, 2005.

Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS)

- President (elected), Central Eurasian Studies Society, 2020-2022 (three-year rotating presidency)
- Chair, Conference Committee, Tashkent Regional Conference, 2020-present (conference was to be held in Tashkent in 2020, postponed to 2022 because of COVID-19)
- Organizer and Host, CESS Annual Conference, University of Pittsburgh, 2018
- Chair, Institutional Linkages Committee, 2016-present
- Conference Committee, 2016-2018
- Best Book Award Committee 2016, 2019, 2020
- Taskforce on Fieldwork Safety, 2015-16
- Best Graduate Paper Award Committee, 2014

Section for International and Public Administration, American Society for Public Administration

- Social Media committee, 2019-2020, 2020-2021
- SICA Occasional Papers committee, 2019-2010
- Riggs Workshop organizing committee, 2019-2021

International Studies Association

- Inaugural Board Member, Section on South Asia in World Politics, 2016-2018.

University Wide Service

University-level committee

1. Faculty Senate, elected representative, 2019-present
2. Senate Council, elected representative, 2020-present
3. Gifts that Sponsor Projects Policy Committee, 2019-2020
4. Ad hoc tenure committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2019-2020
5. GSPIA faculty representative, UCIS Global Strategy, 2015-16
6. Ridgway Center for Security Studies, Faculty Steering Committee 2011-2016
7. Provost's Committee on Information Technology, 2010-12
8. Co-convener, University of Pittsburgh Governance Group, 2011-3
9. University Center for International Studies, Hewlett Grant Committee, 2013-14

Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of Pittsburgh

1. Faculty Advisory Board, 2010-present
2. Member, Small Grants Committee, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17
3. FLAS Selection Committee Member, 2000-2016.
4. Search Committee Member, Post-doctoral Fellow, 2010-11, 2012-13, 2015-6

Center for Global Studies, University of Pittsburgh

1. Faculty Advisory Board, 2012-2018
2. FLAS Selection Committee, Member, 2010-11, 2012-13

School-wide Service

1. Doctoral Studies Committee, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2019-2020, 2020-2021
2. President, Faculty Assembly, 2017-18 (elected)
3. Vice President, Faculty Assembly, 2011-12 (elected)
4. Chair, Technology Committee, 2016-present (founding committee member)
5. Faculty Advisory Committee, 2010-11, 2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2017-18 (elected)
6. Search Committee, Public Administration/Public Policy, 2017-18
7. Ridgway Center for Security Studies and Wesley W. Posvar Chair Review Committee, 2013-14
8. Chair, Committee to Create Governance and International Public Management major, 2013-14
9. Search Committee, International Political Economy Faculty Search, 2013-14
10. Curriculum Review and Evaluation Committee, 2011-12, 2012-13
11. Professional Development Fund Committee, 2009-10, 2011-12
12. Search Committee, Security Studies Faculty Search, 2009-10

Peer Review

Journals and Books

Agriculture; American Political Science Review, Asian Politics and Policy; Asian Survey; Democratization; Central Asian Survey; Central Asian Affairs; Children and Youth Services Review; *CQ Press*; Comparative Politics; Comparative Political Studies; Conflict Management and Peace Science; European Journal of International Relations; Geopolitics, History, and International Relations; Governance; International Studies Perspective; International Studies Quarterly; Journal of Politics; Journal of

Institutional Economics; Journal of Communism and Post-Communism; Journal of Comparative Economics; Journal of Conflict Resolution; *Palgrave MacMillan*; Political Studies; Post-Soviet Economies; Public Choice; Publius; *Routledge*; *Rowman and Littlefield*; Social Science Quarterly; Sustainability; Sustainable Development, Territory, Politics, Governance; *University of Notre Dame Press*; World Bank Economic Review, World Development; World Politics.

Others

AidData; Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit; Afghanistan Office of the Chief Executive; National Science Foundation; Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research; Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction; Swiss National Science Foundation; United States Institute for Peace.

Professional Training

Acquisition Assistance Training for Cognizant Technical Officers (Contracting Officers), United States Agency for International Development, Almaty, Kazakhstan. May 2001.

Democracy and Governance Officers Training, United States Agency for International Development, Washington, DC. December 2001.

United States Peace Corps, Guliston, Uzbekistan, September-December 1997, Intensive Uzbek Language and Culture, TESOL Methodology, Cross-Cultural Understanding, Community Development, September-December 1997.

Field Experience

Afghanistan (three years), Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Russia (one year), Tajikistan, Turkey, and Uzbekistan (five years)

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
American Society for Public Administration
Central Eurasian Studies Society
American Institute for Afghanistan Studies

Research Languages

English (native)
Russian (working fluency, certified advanced proficiency)
Uzbek (working fluency)
Persian (Tajiki and Dari dialects) (working fluency)
Turkish (basic)

References

Available upon request