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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016 – present Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh
2010 – present Academic Director, Study Abroad Program in Czech Republic and Poland;
Affiliated Faculty Member, Graduate School for Public and International
Affairs (GSPIA), University Center for International Studies (UCIS),
Center for Russian and East European Studies (REES), and Global
Studies Center

Responsibilities include:

- Instructing undergraduate courses: Introductory Microeconomics, International Economics (Trade and Finance), Financial Economics, Economic Policy Analysis
- Instructing graduate courses: Microeconomics, International Financial Policy, Economics for Public Affairs (GSPIA)
- Directing the Economics summer study abroad program in Czech Republic and Poland
- Supervising undergraduate independent studies and research projects
- Supervising graduate and undergraduate teaching assistants
- Directing the Economic Pedagogy seminar series

2010- 2016 Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh
2006-2010 Visiting Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh
2004-2006 Lecturer, Department of Economics, Temple University
2000-2001 Lecturer, Department of Economics and Management, Lviv Polytechnic
National University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economic Growth and Reforms, Development Economics, Comparative Economics

TEACHING

Undergraduate courses: International Economics (Trade and Finance), Financial Economics (Economics of Corporate Finance), Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Economic Policy Analysis

Graduate courses: International Financial Policy, Economics for Public Affairs, Microeconomics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Temple University (2006)

Specialization: Financial Economics, Economic Development

Thesis: Structural Vector Autoregression Analysis of Economic Growth and Fertility in Ukraine

Details: the thesis provides an explanation of households' demand for quantity and quality of children as country develops. The results of this empirical study, which employs co-integration, impulse response, variance decomposition, and sensitivity analyses of 1996-2005 Ukraine's data support the hypothesis about positive

impact of economic policies that reduce opportunity cost of rearing children on the fertility rate

M.A. in Economics, Temple University (2003)

M.S. in Finance and Economics (with honors), Lviv Polytechnic National University (2000)

Degree in Law (with honors), Ivan Franko National University of Lviv (2000)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

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| 2018, 2008 | Course Development Grant, Center for Russian and East European Studies |
| 2013, 2011 | Hewlett International Grant, Center for International Studies |
| 2014, 2012, 2008 | Research Grant, Center for Russian and East European Studies (REES) |
| 2012 | John G. Bowman Faculty Grant, Center for International Studies |
| 2009 | Speaking in the Disciplines Seminar Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2008, 2007 | Office of Experiential Learning Grant, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2008 | Writing in the Disciplines Seminar Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh |
| 2007 | Best Faculty Paper Award, Northeastern Association of Business, Economics, and Technology (NABET) |
| 2006 | Norman and Ruth Sun Award, Temple University |
| 2005 | Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) Award, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign |
| 2003 | Fox School of Business and Management Award, Temple University |
| 2001-2006 | Sen. Edmund Muskie Ph.D. Fellowship, U.S. Department of State |

PUBLICATIONS

- Regional Growth and Poverty in Ukraine, with F. Kushnirsky (2017) in *Global Economy in Transition: the European Union and Beyond*, by Linda Winkler and Harold Codrington (ed.), Vernon Press: Wilmington, DE, 2017, pp.126-137
- The Impact of Professional Athlete Sponsorship on Educational Attainment in Western Kenya (2015), with A. Tranfaglia. *International Journal of Educational Development*, Vol. 41, 97-103
- Macroeconometric Study of Ukraine's Growth and Reform (2012), with L. R. Klein (Nobel Prize in Economics, 1980) and F. Kushnirsky. *Journal of Policy Modeling*, Vol. 34(3), 325-340
- Economic Reforms, Human Capital, and Economic Growth in India and South Korea: A Cointegration Analysis (2011), with M. Rabbani, *Journal of Economic Development*, Vol. 36 (2), 39-59
- Do Economic Reforms and Human Capital Explain Post-reform Growth? (2011) with M. Rabbani, *Macroeconomics and Finance in Emerging Market Economies*, Vol. 4 (1), 9-34
- Fertility, Money Holdings, and Economic Growth: Evidence from Ukraine (2009) *Comparative Economic Studies*, 51, 75-99
- The Impact of Transnational Corporations on Economic Development of Countries in Transition (2001) in *Ukrainian Idea as Demonstration of National Interest*. Kyiv: National Academy of Science of Ukraine (in Ukrainian)
- Problems of Payments without Ready Cash and Possibility of Their Solving in Ukraine (2001). *Vistnyk of Lviv Polytechnic National University*, 425, 172-174 (in Ukrainian)
- Problems of Privatization in Ukraine (1998), with M. Polyakov. *Vistnyk of Lviv Polytechnic State University*, 328, 219 (in Ukrainian)

WORKING PAPERS

The Cost of Euro Adoption in Poland, with Natalya Muravytska

Ukraine's Regional Economic Growth and Analysis of Regional Disparities, with F. Kushnirsky (under review)

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Dynamic Relationship between Interest Rates, Stock Prices, and Exchange Rates in BRICS Economies: Wavelet Analysis

The Socio-Economic Determinants of Crime in Eastern Europe, with Twesha Mitra

Economics of Abortions: Evidence from Czech Republic, with Nika Simonson

CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 University of Pittsburgh 6th Annual Assessment and Teaching Conference, faculty panel Teaching Large Enrollment Classes; 29th Annual Teaching Economics Conference hosted by Robert Morris University and McGraw-Hill Education
- 2017 28th Annual Teaching Economics Conference hosted by Robert Morris University and McGraw-Hill Education; presentations at Brandeis University, Indiana University (Bloomington), University of South Carolina
- 2016 McGraw-Hill Education Teaching without Limits Summit: Principles of Economics, Tucson, AZ; 29th Annual Conference of the Congress of Political Economists (COPE) in Madrid, Spain
- 2015 11th Annual Economics Teaching Conference, Dallas, TX; Cengage Learning Principles of Economics Summit, Dallas, TX
- 2014 EconED Teaching Conference, Denver, CO; British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies Annual Conference, Cambridge, UK; University of Pittsburgh Honors College; Center for Russia and East European Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 2013 EconED Teaching Symposium, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2012 Russia Today course, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA; Sports and Community Building in Africa Conference, University of Ohio, Athens, OH, (with Anna Tranfaglia); British Association for Slavonic and East-European Studies Annual Conference, Cambridge, UK; Eastern Economic Association 37th Annual Meeting, Boston, MA; University of Pittsburgh Russia and East European Studies Center and Graduate Organization for the Study of Europe and Central Asia (GOSECA), 9th Annual Conference (chair and discussant)
- 2010 Invited lecture at the Summer Language Institute, University of Pittsburgh; Russia Today course, Carnegie Mellon University; Eastern Economic Association 36th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA; Pennsylvania Association of Credit Management
- 2009 Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Detroit, MI; Eastern Economic Association 35th Annual Meeting, New York, NY; REES/GOSECA, 6th Annual Conference (chair and discussant)
- 2008 NABET 31st Annual Meeting, State College, PA; Center for Russia and East European Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 2007 Kyiv School of Economics and Kyiv Economics Institute, Kyiv, Ukraine; NABET 30th Annual Meeting, State College, PA; Arcadia University, Philadelphia, PA
- 2006 World Bank Young Professionals Program-2007, Washington, D.C.; Temple University Fox School of Business and Management, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) Conference, Urbana, IL; Temple University, Fox School of Business and Management, Philadelphia, PA

REVIEWER

Textbooks:

Parkin, M. Microeconomics, 8e-12e, (2008-2016) Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 McConnell, C., Brue, S. and Flynn, S. Economics, Principles, Problems, and Policies, 22 ed. (2018), McGraw Hill Publishers
 Frank, R. and Bernanke, B. Principles of Economics, 3-5ed. (2009-2015) Mc-Graw Hill Publishers
 Bade, R. and Parkin, M. Foundations of Economics, 4e-8e (2008-2017) Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 Husted, S. and Melvin, M. International Economics, 9ed (2012), Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 Feenstra, R. and Taylor, A. International Economics, 2ed (2011) Worth Publishers
 Perloff, J. Microeconomics: Theory and Applications with Calculus, 2ed (2010) Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 Mishkin, F. The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets, 9ed (2010) Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 Markusen, J. and Maskus, K. International Trade: Theory and Evidence (2010) Wiley – Balckwell Publishers
 Appleyard, D., Cobb, S., and Field, A. International Economics, 7e (2009) McGraw-Hill Publishers
 Daniels and Van Hoose. International Monetary and Financial Economics, 4e (2009) Pearson Addison-Wesley Publishers
 Suranovic, S. International Economics: Theory and Policy (2009) Flat World Knowledge Publishers
 Boyes, W. and Melvin, M. Microeconomics, 7e (2008) Cengage Publishers
 Bowen, J. Global Market Myths (2007) McGraw-Hill Publishers
 Benninga, S. and Mofkadi, T. Principles of Finance with Excel, 3 ed, (2018), Oxford University Press

Academic Journals:

Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Economic Development, Comparative Economics Studies, Eastern Economic Journal, Journal of Northeastern Association of Business, Economics, and Technology

MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association (AEA)
 Eastern Economic Association (EEA)
 Northeastern Association of Business, Economics, and Technology (NABET)

AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICES

University of Pittsburgh Provost's Planning and Budgeting Committee
 Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences: Planning and Budgeting Committee; Nominating Committee
 Department of Economics – Lecturer Recruiting Committee (2015-2016), Chair (2016-2017)
 Affiliated faculty member at: Graduate School for Public and International Affairs, Center for International Studies, Center of Russia and East European Studies, Global Studies Center

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2012 Summer-term Professor, Wuhan University (China)
 2012, 2009 Judge, Euro Challenge Competition of the European Commission Delegation to the US, Washington, D.C
 2011 Invited Presentation, Ukrainian American Film Festival, Ukrainian Community of Western Pennsylvania (UCOWPA)

- 2011 Spring-term Professor, University of Pittsburgh Study Abroad Program in Argentina (University of Belgrano, Buenos Aires), South Africa (University of Cape Town), and China (Capital Normal University, Beijing)
- 2009 Discussant, Panel Discussion on Global Economics, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh
- 2009 Judge, Undergraduate Research Symposium “Europe: East and West”, University of Pittsburgh

LANGUAGES

Ukrainian- native Russian- fluent English –fluent Polish - good

PERSONAL INFO

Citizenship: Ukraine
Canadian Permanent Resident (since 2008)
Status to US: O-1 (Alien of Extraordinary Ability, since 2009)