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Experience

2015–	• Associate Professor (tenured) International College of Economics and Finance National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
2009–2015	• Assistant Professor International College of Economics and Finance and Faculty of Economics National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
Spring 2016	• Visiting Professor at INSEAD, Fontainebleau.
2013–	• Research Fellow Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn, Germany.

Education

2019	• MSc in Software Development, Boston University.
2009	• PhD in Economics, University of Massachusetts Amherst.
2000	• B.A. in Economics (*Magna Cum Laude*), University of Buenos Aires.

Areas of Interest

- Machine Learning for Economics
- Text and Image Analysis in Economic Applications
- Field Experiments
- Applied Econometrics

Current Research Projects

- "PLM-based Sentiment Extraction and Reference Letters." Arxiv Working Paper `https://arxiv.org/abs/2410.16325`.
- "Measuring Product Quality Using Images: The CLIP Q-Score and an Application to Real Estate." Arxiv Working Paper `https://arxiv.org/abs/2608.01544`.
- "Good Looks and the Academic Job Market."
- "A Prompt-based Approach to Manager Sentiment."
- "Differential Treatment of Families with Children."

Publications

2019
- Democratizing Access to Higher Education in Russia: The Consequences of the Unified State Exam Reform (with Marco Francesconi and Anna Yurko)
  European Economic Review, 117, pp. 56–82.
  Winner of the Biannual Russian National Award in Applied Economics 2020

2015
- Informality and Mobility: Evidence from Russian Panel Data (with Vladimir Gimpelson)
  Economics of Transition, 23:2, pp. 299–341.

2014
- Assessing the Impact of the Maternity Capital Policy in Russia (with Anna Yurko)
  Labour Economics, 30, pp. 265–281.
  Winner of the Yegor Gaidar Award for Young Economists, 2014.

2014/22
- Informal Employment in Emerging and Transition Economies
  IZA World of Labor, 59.

2013
- Earnings Inequality and Skill Mismatch in the U.S: 1973–2002
  Journal of Economic Inequality, 11:2, pp. 163–194.

2012
- Employment and Distribution Effects of the Minimum Wage (with Peter Skott)
  Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, 84:1, pp. 245–264.
- The Effect of Taxation on Informal Employment: Evidence from the Russian Flat Tax Reform. In *Research in Labor Economics*, Vol. 34, chapter 2.
  Winner of the "Outstanding Author Contribution Award" at the Literati Network Awards for Excellence, 2013.

Teaching

Fall 2019–26
- Machine Learning and Big Data in Economics and Finance: *ICEF*, MS level

Fall 2010–26
- Advanced Econometrics: *ICEF*, MS level
  Best Teacher Award 2011

Fall 2016–18
- Topics in Applied Economics: *ICEF*, BA level

Fall 2015
- Labor Economics: *ICEF*, BA level

Fall 2013–14
- Econometrics: *Joint Bachelor's Program NES-HSE*, BA level

Fall 2009
- Time Series and Panel Data Econometrics: *ICEF*, BA level

Spring 2010–12
- Microeconometrics: *Economics Department HSE*, PhD level

Fall 2009
- Time Series Econometrics: *Economics Department HSE*, BA-honors level

Consulting Projects with International Organizations

2012 • Job Displacement and its effects in the Russian Labor Market.
OECD.

2012–13 • Between Light and Shadow: The Informal Sector in Russia (with V. Gimpelson and R. Kapeliushnikov).
World Bank.

2011 • Informality in Georgia.
IZA.

Other Research

2014 • Contributing Author (chapters 6 and 7)
V. Gimpelson and R. Kapelyushnikov (Eds.), В Тени Регулирования: Неформальност на Российском Рынке Труда, HSE Publishing House, Moscow.

2013 • External Contributor to *OECD Employment Outlook*, chapter 4
"Back to Work: Re-employment, Earnings and Skill Use after Job Displacement."

2012 • World Bank Consultant
Project: *Informality and Labor Mobility in Russia.*

Awards and Fellowships

2020 • Biannual Russian National Award in Applied Economics (joint with coauthors Marco Francesconi and Anna Yurko) for the paper "Democratizing Access to Higher Education in Russia"

2014 • Gaidar Award for Young Economists (joint with coauthor Anna Yurko) for the paper "Assessing the Impact of the Maternity Capital Policy"

2013 • Winner of the "Outstanding Author Contribution Award" at the Literati Network Awards for Excellence for the paper "The Effect of Taxation on Informal Employment: Evidence from the Russian Flat Tax Reform"

• HSE Individual Grant. Project: "Assessing the Impact of the Maternity Capital Policy"

2011 • HSE Individual Grant. Project: "Informality in Russia: Stepping Stone or Dead End?"

2010 • ICEF Research Fund Grant. Project: "Returns to Over-education"

• HSE Fund of Educational Innovation (development of best "prakticum")

2008 • Solomon Barkin Graduate Award, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts

2007 • Political Economy Research Institute Dissertation Fellowship

2002–2004 • Fulbright Master Program Fellowship

1999–2000 • University of Buenos Aires. Science and Technology Division Research Fellowship

Language and Programming Skills

Languages	**Programming**
Spanish (native)	Python, STATA, EVIEWS
English (proficient)	MATHEMATICA, MATLAB, R
German (basic)	Java
Russian (basic)	JavaScript