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**Appointments**

Postdoctoral Scholar, Vanderbilt University, 2020–present

**Education**

PhD in Political Science, University of Michigan, 2020

MA in Statistics, University of Michigan, 2020

MA in Social Psychology, Utrecht University (Netherlands), 2010

BA in Economics, St Petersburg State University (Russia), 2008

**Dissertation**

“Immigration in Our Heads: Political Consequences of Stereotypes about Immigrants”  
Committee: Nicholas A. Valentino (chair), Ted Brader, Walter Mebane, Stuart Soroka  
(Communication)

**Publications**

Groenendyk, Eric W., Michael W. Sances, and Kirill Zhirkov. 2020. “Intraparty Polarization in American Politics.” *Journal of Politics*. Published ahead of print.

<https://doi.org/10.1086/708780>

Valentino, Nicholas A., Kirill Zhirkov, D. Sunshine Hillygus, and Brian Guay. Forthcoming. “The Political Consequences of Personality Biases in Online Panel Surveys.” *Public Opinion Quarterly*.

Zhirkov, Kirill, and Nicholas A. Valentino. Forthcoming. “Revisiting the Measurement of Group Schemas in Political Science.” In *The Cambridge Handbook of Implicit Bias and Racism*, edited by Jon A. Krosnick, Tobias H. Stark, and Amanda L. Scott. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Zhirkov, Kirill. 2019. “Dogmatism and Militant Internationalism among Foreign Policy Elites: Evidence from Russia, 1995–2016.” *Post-Soviet Affairs* 35 (5-6): 422–32.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/1060586X.2019.1662199>

Zhirkov, Kirill. 2014. “Nativist but not Alienated: A Comparative Perspective on the Radical Right Vote in Western Europe.” *Party Politics* 20 (2): 286–96.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/1354068813511379>

Zhirkov, Kirill, Maykel Verkuyten, and Jeroen Weesie. 2014. "Perceptions of World Politics and Support for Terrorism among Muslims: Evidence from Muslim Countries and Western Europe." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 31 (5): 481–501.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0738894213510121>

### **Under Review**

- "Estimating and Using Individual-Level Marginal Component Effects from Conjoint Experiments" (R&R in *Political Analysis*)
- "Discriminating between Issue Voting Rules in Multiparty Elections Using Finite Mixture Modeling" (R&R in *Electoral Studies*)
- "Racialized Images of Immigrant Origin Groups and Their Political Implications: Evidence from the United States and Britain"
- "Social Dominance Orientation and Differential Affect toward Immigrant Origin Groups: Evidence from Three Immigration-Receiving Countries"
- "Who Are 'the Immigrants'? Beliefs about Immigrant Populations and Anti-Immigration Attitudes in the United States and in Britain"
- "Rethinking Measurement Equivalence: Why Non-Invariance Doesn't Always Mean Non-Comparability" (with Christian Welzel and Ronald F. Inglehart)
- "Elites' Messages, Social Conformity, and Reduction of Prejudice: An Experimental Test of the Political Leadership Model" (with Maykel Verkuyten and Eduard Ponarin)
- "Do Political Connections Make Businesspeople Richer? Evidence from Russia, 2003–2010" (with Ivan S. Grigoriev)

### **Awards**

Best Paper in Political Behavior Award, Midwest Political Science Association, 2018 (with Nicholas A. Valentino)

### **Grants and Fellowships**

Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, 2018–2021: \$12,000  
Gerald R. Ford Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2018–2020: \$50,500  
Garth Taylor Fellowship in Public Opinion Research, University of Michigan, 2018–2019: \$10,000  
Jean Monnet Graduate Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2018: \$5,000  
Rackham Graduate Student Research Grants, University of Michigan, 2017–2018: \$4,500  
Angus Campbell Scholars Fund, University of Michigan, 2017: \$7,000  
International Institute Student Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2017: \$4,250  
Summer Grant for Research and Internships in Europe and Eurasia, University of Michigan, 2016: \$1,500  
Weiser Emerging Democracy Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2014–2015: \$26,000  
Utrecht Excellence Scholarship, Utrecht University (Netherlands), 2008–2010: €27,000

### **Research Experience**

Visiting Researcher, University of Gothenburg (Sweden), 2018  
Graduate Student Research Assistant to Professor Ted Brader, University of Michigan, 2018  
Visiting Researcher, GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (Germany), 2017  
Graduate Student Research Assistant to Professor Nicholas A. Valentino, University of Michigan, 2016–2017

Research Fellow, Higher School of Economics (Russia), 2011–2014  
Visiting Scholar, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, 2013  
Research Assistant to Professor Maykel Verkuyten, Utrecht University (Netherlands), 2009

### **Teaching**

“Introduction to Empirical Methods in Political Analysis” (graduate), University of Michigan, primary instructor: Professor Walter R. Mebane, Jr.  
“Introduction to Comparative Political Science” (undergraduate), University of Michigan, primary instructor: Professor Robert J. Franzese, Jr.  
“Multilevel Structural Equation Modeling” (summer school), Higher School of Economics (Russia), primary instructor: Professor Hermann Duellmer  
“Quantitative Research Seminar” (graduate, in Russian), Higher School of Economics (Russia), primary instructor: Professor Eduard Ponarin  
“State and State Formation” (undergraduate, in Russian), Higher School of Economics (Russia), primary instructor: Roberto Foa

### **Additional Training**

London School of Economics Summer Program (UK), 2013  
Oslo Summer School in Comparative Social Science Studies (Norway), 2012  
Georgetown University Summer Sessions, 2012  
ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, 2011

### **Professional Memberships**

American Political Science Association, International Society for Political Psychology, Society for Political Methodology, Midwest Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association

### **Reviewer**

American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, Political Research Quarterly, European Journal of Political Research, Party Politics, European Political Science Review, Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, PLOS One, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Terrorism and Political Violence, Foreign Policy Analysis, Contemporary European Studies, Social Currents

### **Departmental Service**

Graduate Student Professional Development Committee, member, 2019–2020  
Interdisciplinary Workshop in American Politics, coordinator, 2018–2019  
Admissions Committee, graduate student member, 2016–2017