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**EDUCATION**

May 2021 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

(Expected) Major: Comparative Politics

Minor: American Politics

June 2014 M.A. in International Studies, University of Denver, Denver, CO

Major: International Studies,

Minor: Environment, Security

May 2012 B.A. in International Studies, Centre College, Danville, KY

Major: International Studies (Comparative Politics)

Minors: History, Government

**RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS**

Political Participation, Indigenous Representation, Decentralization, Women’s Representation, Political Movements and Mobilization

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Spring 2017 Ulmer Award for Outstanding Graduate Student in the American Political Process

Summer 2017 Ken and Mary Sue Coleman Graduate Student Summer Fellowship

(Ongoing) Received a summer grant to continue the development of an original data set on Native American Tribal Governments. The project seeks collect data on tribes in order to test theories on representation of women, the effects of tribal structure on economic development, and the properties of tribe-to-US government relationships.

Fall 2017 Lexington Herald-Leader Graduate Fellowship

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Spring 2018 Teaching Assistant, PS 101 American Government, University of Kentucky

Fall 2017 Teaching Assistant, PS 210 Introduction to Comparative Politics, University of Kentucky

Spring 2017 Teaching Assistant, PS 230 Introduction into International Relations, University of Kentucky

Fall 2016 Teaching Assistant, PS 101 American Government, University of Kentucky

**PAPERS IN PROGRESS**

Klimkina, Dina. The Effects of Decentralization on Indigenous Political Participation Across Latin America

Klimkina, Dina. Race, class or culture? What Drives Political Participation of Native American and Alaskan Indians in the United States.

Klimkina, Dina. The Effects of Institutional Variation on the Representation of Women in Tribal Governments.

**METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING**

Spring 2017 Multi-Level Modeling for Comparative Political Behavior, University of Kentucky*,* Lexington, KY

Fall 2017 “R” Workshop, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky*,* Lexington, KY

Spring 2016 GIS Workshop, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Fall 2016 STATA Workshop, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

Spring 2017 Cultural Competency Workshop, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Spring 2016 Network Leadership, University of Colorado, Denver, CO

Fall 2015 Micro-Teaching Training, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Fall 2015 Preventing Discrimination and Harassment and FERPA: The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky

Spring 2015 Focus Group Facilitation Training, One Earth Future Foundation, Broomfield CO

**FIELD WORK AND DATA COLLECTION**

Spring 2017-present Data collection on Native American Tribal Governments in the US.

Fall 2016 Data collection on national election voting process with Emily Beaulieu.

Spring 2015 Fieldwork in Bogota Colombia with the One Earth Future Foundation. Stakeholder interviews on community leadership in the peace process.

2014-2016 Interviews with Native American Tribal Leaders, One Earth Future Foundation.

Summer 2013 Data collection on the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee Complaints.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Summer 2017 Kentucky Personnel Cabinet, Frankfort, KY

Drafted recommended policy findings and memoranda regarding analysis of special project assignments, including the completion of two white papers on health policy.

* 1. One Earth Future Foundation, Broomfield, CO

Developed programs with a focus on innovative approaches to peace building, conflict prevention, participatory dialogue, collective impact, micro lending, and social innovation, amongst others. Facilitated design and consultation for Sand Creek massacre memorial program. Field work in Colombia and Oklahoma.

Summer 2013 United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva, Switzerland

Completed data collection and evaluation on environmental compliance with the Aarhus Convention, resulting in a new data set. Assisted with the preparation of outreach materials for publication and circulation to donors. Translated documents from Russian to English and vice versa.

2012-2014 Center on Rights Development, Denver, CO

Planned events and conducted research on human rights issues, with emphasis on the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

2013-2014 Empower Women in Africa, Denver, CO

Completed grants, created informational materials, and assisted in strategic planning.

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Spring 2017 “Majoring in Political Science: Using Your Degree in a Meaningful Way”, PS 400 Internship Program, University of Kentucky

Fall 2017 “Career Opportunities in International Studies”, International Studies Majors Forum, Centre College, Danville, KY

Spring 2014 “Working with the United Nations: Careers Abroad”, Korbel Careers, University of Denver, Korbel School of International Studies, Denver, CO

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Spring 2017 “Race, Income, or Group Identity: Why Do Native Americans Participate in Politics,” Kentucky Political Science Association, Murray, Kentucky

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Spring 2017 Finding Freedom Through Friendship, Lexington, KY

2014- 2016 World Affairs Mentor, Louisville, CO

Spring 2014 Volunteer Outdoors Colorado, Colorado Springs, CO

Fall 2013 Habitat for Humanity Building Volunteer, Denver CO

Summer 2012 Rotary Club of Louisville, Louisville, CO

2008-2012 Habitat for Humanity Restore and Building Volunteer,

Lexington, Kentucky, Junction City, Kentucky, and Danville, Kentucky

**SPECIAL SKILLS & CERTIFICATION**

Russian (Native Speaker)

Spanish (Intermediate)

Certificate in Network Leadership, University of Colorado

Human Subjects Research (HSR), University of Kentucky

Minimal Initial Services Package, University of Denver