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EMPLOYMENT

- 2013-present Assistant Professor, Department of History, University at Albany, SUNY
- 2010-present Senior Research Fellow (in absentia), Centre for Byzantine Studies, Institute of General History, Russian Academy
- 2008-2010 Research Fellow of the Centre for Byzantine Studies, Russian Academy, Institute of General History
- 2006 - 2007 Research Fellow (Dumbarton Oaks/Trustees for Harvard University)
- 2003 – 2006,
Summer 2007 Junior Research Fellow (Wolfson College, Oxford)
- 1996 - 1999 Research Fellow of the Centre for Byzantine Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of General History, 119334, Russian Federation, Moscow, Leninskii Prospect, 32 A. Member of the editorial board of “Vizantiiskii Vremennik”

EDUCATION

- 2000 – 2004 The University of Oxford, Exeter College. Dissertation *Byzantium and the Turks in the Thirteenth Century* (supervisor – Dr M. Whittow, St Peter’s College). Degree: D.Phil. (Oxford)
- 1993-1998 Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of General History, Centre for Byzantine Studies (Moscow). Dissertation *Northern Anatolia in the Eleventh-Fifteenth Centuries: The Byzantine Heritage in the Time of Turkic (Seljukid and Ottoman) Conquests* (supervisor – academician G.G. Litavrin). Degree: Ph.D. (Moscow)
- 1988-1993 Moscow University, History Faculty, Department of Mediaeval History: Thesis *Paphlagonia and Western Pontus in the Thirteenth-Fifteenth Centuries. A study in political and confessional history* (supervisor – Dr R.M. Shukurov). Red diploma (cum laude).
- 1978-1988 Secondary school 1133 (Moscow): gold medal (cum laude)

Languages	Russian (native), English (fluent), French, Ottoman Turkish, Turkish, Classical and Byzantine Greek, Modern Greek, Arabic, Classical Armenian, Church Slavonic, Latin, Medieval French, Persian, Syriac, Mongolian
Research	Byzantine Studies: Political history of Byzantium, 1000-1453; agrarian history; administrative structures of the Byzantine Empire; Byzantine-Turkish relations from the eleventh to the fifteenth century, with special emphasis on the political history, state-building and confessional relations; history of the Crusader states, Byzantine-Latin relations and Levantine history in the eleventh through the sixteenth century; Christian-Muslim relations.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK: *Byzantium and the Turks in the Thirteenth Century* (Oxford, OUP, 2014) ISBN 978-0-19-870826-1 [published in October 2014, released in the USA market in November 2014]

PROJECTS UNDERWAY:

BOOK: *From Byzantium to the Ottoman Empire: Paphlagonia and Western Pontos, 1061-1461*. Based on my Russian dissertation, the book will focus on the transformation of a Byzantine province to the Ottoman one. It will include the studies of the Ottoman cadasters and tax surveys of the sixteenth century with their Byzantine background.

PRIMARY SOURCE PUBLICATION (in cooperation with Professor Christos Simeides, Aristotle University in Thessaloniki, Greece): Unpublished letter of the metropolitan John Cheilas (Synod. Greek 368 (Vlad. 240) on the Union at the Lyons, 1274, between the Greek Orthodox and Roman Catholic Churches.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS:

“The Byzantine-Seljuk Border in Times of Trouble: Laodikeia in 1174-1204”, in *Byzantium, 1180-1204: “The Sad Quarter of a Century”?*, ed. A. Simpson (Athens, 2015), pp. 49-81

“Before Mantzikert: An Armenian Colophon of 1067”, in *Miscellanea Orientalia Christiana*, eds. N. Seleznev, Iu. Arzhanov (Moscow, 2014), pp. 207-222 (in Russian)

“The Kipchaks in Paphlagonia”, in *The Kipchaks of Eurasia: History, Language and Written Records. Materials of International Scientific Conference, Republic of Kazakhstan, 29-30 May 2013*, ed. B.E. Komekov et al. (Astana, 2013), pp. 100-108 (in Russian)

“The King of the East and the West’: the Seljuk dynastic concept and titles in the Muslim and Christian Sources”, in *The Seljuks of Anatolia. Court and Society in Medieval Middle East*, eds. A.C.S. Peacock and Sara Nur Yıldız (London and New York, 2013), pp. 68-90

“The Formation of Turkish principalities in the boundary zone: from the emirate of Denizli to the beylik of Menteşe (1256-1302)”, in *Proceedings of the Second International Symposium of the History, Culture and Civilization of Western Anatolian Principalities: Menteşe Principality, 25-27 April 2012, Muğla* (Muğla, 2014) (no pagination)

“The Cumans on the Eastern Frontier of the Empire of Nicaea”, in *ΠΙΟΛΕΜΟΛΟΓΟΣ: In memoriam of Professor V. Kuchma*, ed. N.D. Barabanov (Volgograd, 2012), pp. 343-358 (in Russian)

“The Seljuk Conquest of Asia Minor (1064-1091)”, in *Proceedings of the XXIV Symposium ‘Ancient and Medieval Eastern Europe (In memoriam of V.T. Pashuto)* (Moscow, 2012), pp. 132-133 (in Russian)

“Michael VIII Palaeologus in the Sultanate of Rum: the evidence of the later sources concerning Constantine Doukas Nestongos”, *Vizantijskie Očerki [Byzantine Essays]* (Moscow, 2011), pp. 116-138 (In Russian)

- “Gennadii Grigorievich Litavrin (1925-2009): in memoriam” in *Bulletin of British Byzantine Studies* 37 (2011), pp. 148-151
- “How ‘Byzantine’ Were the Early Ottomans? Bithynia in c. 1290-1450”, in *Osmanskii mir i osmanistika*. Eds. I.V. Zaitsev, S.F. Oreshkova (Moscow, 2010), pp. 215-239
- “A Turkic inscription on MS 1, New York Public Library, Slavic Division”, in G.R. Parpulov, “Pre 1650 Cyrillic Manuscripts in U.S. Public Collections: A Catalogue”, *Paleoslavica* 18 (2010), pp. 5-6
- “An Adventure of the Word: τὸ ζιζάνιον in the Greek Language”, in *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 69 (93) (2010), pp. 201-218 (in Russian)
- “The Byzantine Commonwealth in the Islamic Sources. Part 1”, in *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 68 (92) (2009), pp. 75-90 (in Russian)
- “Iconium” in *The Orthodox Encyclopaedia*, vol. xxii (Moscow, 2009), pp. 26-30 (in Russian)
- “A Greek Orthodox Armenian in the Seljukid Service: the Colophon of Basil Meliteniotes”, in *Mare et litora. Essays presented to Sergei Karpov for his 60th birthday*, ed. R. Shukurov (Moscow, 2009), pp. 709-724
- “Raiders and Neighbours: the Turks (1040-1304)”, in *The Cambridge History of the Byzantine Empire, c. 500-1492*, ed. J. Shepard (Cambridge, 2008), pp. 692-730
- “A Broken Mirror: the Kıpçak World in the Thirteenth Century”, in *The Other Europe in the Middle Ages: Avars, Bulgars, Khazars and Cumans*, ed. F. Curta, with the assistance of R. Kovalev (Leiden: Brill, 2007), pp. 379-413
- “A Sultan in Constantinople: the feasts of Ghiyāth al-Dīn Kay-Khusraw I”, in *Eat, Drink and Be Merry (Luke 12:19) – Food and Wine in Byzantium. Papers from the 37th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies, in Honour of Professor A.A.M. Bryer*, eds. L. Brubaker and K. Linardou [Publications for the Society for the Promotion of Byzantine Studies, 13] (Aldershot, 2007), pp. 93-108
- “How Asia Minor was lost? Byzantium and the Turks in 1071-1081”, in *Proceedings of the 21st International Congress of Byzantine Studies, London, 21-26 August, 2006*, 3 vols (Aldershot, 2006), iii: Abstracts of Communications, pp. 8-9
- “‘Master of Constantinople the Great City’? Titles of the Byzantine Emperors in Diplomatic Correspondence with Muslim Potentates from the seventh to the tenth century”, in *Vizantiiskie Ocherki [Byzantine Essays]* (St Petersburg, 2006), pp. 92-109 (in Russian)
- “Michael VIII Palaeologus in the Sultanate of Rūm”, in *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 64 (89) (2005), pp. 77-98 (in Russian)
- “Orthodox Communities in Eastern Anatolia in the 13th-14th centuries. Part 2: The Time of Troubles”, in *Al-Masāq* 17 (2005), pp. 1-29
- “The Revolt in Kastamonu, c. 1291-1293”, in *Byzantinische Forschungen* 28 (2004), pp. 87-117
- “Diplomatic Correspondence between Byzantium and the Mamlūk Sultanate in the Fourteenth Century”, in *Al-Masāq* 16 (2004), pp. 53-74
- “Orthodox Communities in Eastern Anatolia in the 13th-14th centuries. Part 1: The Two Patriarchates: Constantinople and Antioch”, in *Al-Masāq* 15 (2003), pp. 197-214
- “The revolt in Kastamonu, 1291-1293”, in *Vizantiiskie Ocherki [Byzantine Essays]* (St Petersburg, 2001), pp. 74-111 (in Russian)
- “The Byzantine-Turkish border in Asia Minor in the end of the 13th century”, in *XXe Congrès International des Études Byzantines, Collège de France-Sorbonne, 19-25 Août 2001. Prè-actes* (Paris, 2001), ii: Tables rondes, p. 309
- “The Oriental sources of Laonikos Chalcocondyles: Bayezid I Yıldırım’s campaigns in Asia Minor”, *Bulletin of British Byzantine Studies* 27 (2001), pp. 74-75
- “From the ΣΥΓΓΡΑΦΙΚΩΝ ΙΣΤΟΡΙΩΝ of George Pachymeres”, *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 59 (84) (2000), pp. 288-292 (in Russian)
- “The royal traveller against his own will: Michael VIII Palaeologos in the Rum Sultanate”, in *Bulletin of British Byzantine Studies* 26 (2000), pp. 62-63

- “Byzantium and the Ilkhans: the imperial diplomacy in the Orient ca. 1250-1310”, in G.G. Litavrin, ed., *Byzantium between West and East* (St Petersburg, 1999), pp. 428-473 (in Russian) (with R.M. Shukurov) “The Grand Komnenoi, Sinope and Rum in 1223-1230 (the enigma of John Lazaropoulos’ Synopsis)”, in S.P. Karpov, ed., *The Black Sea region in the Middle Ages*, 3 (St Petersburg, 1998), pp. 178-200 (in Russian)
- “Byzantium and the Ilkhans: the imperial diplomacy in the Orient ca. 1250-1310”, in *Byzantium: Identity, Image, Influence. XIX International Congress of Byzantine Studies. Copenhagen, 18-24 August 1996. Abstracts of Communications* (Copenhagen, 1996), p. 1318
- “The Oriental sources of Laonicos Chalcocondyles: Bayezid I Yıldırım’s campaigns in Asia Minor”, in *Vizantiiskie Ocherki [Byzantine Essays]* (Moscow, 1996), pp. 152-168 (in Russian)
- “The Pontic Metropolitan Sees on the Muslim Lands in the 14th century”, in *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 56 (81) (1995), pp. 156-169 (in Russian)

PEER-REVIEWS IN THE *VIZANTIISKII VREMENNIK* (*Byzantine Chronicle*) (since 2013):

M. Romanova, “Military Law of Nerses of Lambron” (in Russian)

R.M. Shukurov “Oriental borrowings in Middle Greek (MS BnF, Supplément persan 939)” (in Russian)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS UNDERWAY:

“The Byzantine refugees in the Seljuk Sultanate of Rum”, in “Byzantine abroad. Foreigners in Byzantium”, ed. Prof. A.A. Chekalova (scheduled for publication in 2016)

“Dual sovereignty? Byzantine-Seljuk relations in the thirteenth century”, in *The Emperor in the Byzantine World*, ed. S. Tougher. Proceedings to the Byzantine Spring Symposium, Cardiff University, United Kingdom (scheduled for publication in 2016)

“The Il-Khāns in the Byzantine sources” in *New Approaches on the Il-Khans. The National University of Mongolia (NUM), the International Association for Mongol Studies (LAMS)*, Ulan-Bator, Mongolia (scheduled for publication in 2015-16)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

FELLOWSHIPS & RECOGNITION:

One-month Research Award (Dumbarton Oaks/Trustees for Harvard University) 2016

Senior Research Fellow (Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations, University of Koç, Turkey) 2013

Research Fellow (Dumbarton Oaks/Trustees for Harvard University) 2006

Junior Research Fellow (Wolfson College, Oxford) 2003

CONFERENCES & ANNUAL MEETINGS:

18-24 August 1996: XIX International Congress of Byzantine Studies: Byzantium: Identity, Image, Influence (Copenhagen)

1-4 April 2000: 34th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies: Travel in the Byzantine World (Birmingham)

31 March – 2 April 2001: 35th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies: ‘Writing Byzantium’: Rhetoric and Byzantine Culture (Oxford)

9-12 July 2001: International Medieval Congress: ‘Familia’ and ‘Domus’ (Leeds)

12-15 July 2001: Between Empires: ‘Orientalism’ Before 1600 (Cambridge)

19-25 August 2001: XX International Congress of Byzantine Studies (Paris)

20 October 2001: Byzantium and Islam (Research Colloquium, Leeds)

6 November 2001: Oxford Byzantine Seminar: ‘Diplomatic Correspondence between Byzantium and Oriental Powers in the 13th-14th centuries’

14 March 2002: Seminar of the Centre for Byzantine, Ottoman and Modern Greek Studies (University of Birmingham): ‘Diplomatic correspondence between Byzantium and the Oriental Powers, 1204-1453’

- 8-11 July 2002: International Medieval Congress: Exile (Leeds)
- 29-31 March 2003: 37th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies: Eat, drink and be merry (Luke 12:19). The Production, consumption and celebration of food and wine in Byzantium (Birmingham)
- 23 November 2004: Oxford Byzantine Seminar: 'How Asia Minor was lost. The Byzantines and the Turks in 1040-1081'
- 22 January 2005: Oxford Byzantine Conference: Byzantium and the Arabs. Paper: 'Malik of the maliks of the Syrians?' The titles of the Byzantine Emperors in the diplomatic correspondence with Muslim rulers (7th-11th cent.)
- 3 February 2006: Oxford Byzantine Seminar: 'How Byzantine were the Early Ottomans: Bithynia ca. 1290-1480'
- 11 May 2006: Armenian Seminar, Oriental Institute, Oxford: 'Lost Kingdoms, New Lords: the Greater Armenia between Byzantium and the Seljūqs in ca. 1050-1090'.
- 21-26 August 2006: XXI International Congress of Byzantine Studies: Display (London)
- 9-12 July 2007: International Medieval Congress: Medieval Cities (Leeds)
- 10-12 September 2008: 11ème Conférence générale de l'Association internationale des Études Arméniennes (Paris)
- 20-21 October 2008: XVIII Conference of Byzantine Studies in Russia: Rus' and Byzantium. The Byzantine Commonwealth between East and West (Moscow)
- 16-17 October 2009: Workshop 'Court and Society in Seljuk Anatolia,' British Institute of Archaeology at Ankara and Orient-Institut, Istanbul: 'The King of the East and the West': the Seljuk dynastic concept and titles in the Muslim and Christian Sources' (Istanbul)
- 11-14 July 2011: International Medieval Congress: Poverty and Wealth (Leeds)
- 14 February 2012: Oxford Late Antique and Byzantine Studies Seminar: 'Sultan and Emperor: means and ends of diplomatic rapprochement between Byzantium and the Seljuks (11th -14th centuries)'
- 18-20 April 2012: XXIV Symposium of Ancient and Medieval Eastern Europe (In memoriam of V.T. Pashuto): 'War, Migration, Settlement' (Moscow)
- 25-27 April 2012: II International Symposium of the History, Culture and Civilization of Western Anatolian Principalities II: Menteşe Principality (Muğla)
- 22 February 2013: International Symposium at the Netherlands Institute in Turkey organized in cooperation with Frouke Schrijver Emperors, Sultans, Khans. Dynastic Rulership at the Crossroad between East and West. A Comparative Perspective: 'Dual Sovereignty? Byzantine-Seljuk relations in the thirteenth century'
- 19 April 2013: RCAC Fellows' Mini-Symposia 2013: 'Changing Identities: Anatolia between East and West at the end of the eleventh and the beginning of the twelfth century'
- October 31 – November 3, 2013: 2013 Byzantine Studies Annual Conference of the Byzantine Studies Association of North America (BSANA)
- April 25-27, 2014: 47th Byzantine Spring Symposium: 'The Emperor in the Byzantine World', Cardiff University, United Kingdom
- May 21-13, 2014: International Conference: 'New Approaches to the Il-Khans', Ulan-Bator, Mongolia
- October 22-23, 2015 I. Uluslararası Anadolu Uygarlıkları Sempozyumu (First International Symposium on Anatolian Civilizations), Muğla, Turkey. Paper: 'The nomadic Turks in Asia Minor in the twelfth century'

TEACHING, MENTORSHIP, & ORGANIZATION

COURSES TAUGHT:

At the University at Albany SUNY:

AHIS 130 *Western Civilization I*: Survey of Western Civilizations from Ancient Civilizations until the Enlightenment

AHIS 463/563 (shared course for undergraduate and graduate students) *History of Byzantine Empire*: Byzantine History from AD 330 to 1461

AHIS 289 *Topics in World History: Eastern Medieval Christian Societies*: Survey of the history of the Christian communities before and under Islam

AHIS 387 *Islam in the Middle East: Religion and Culture I*: Early and Medieval Muslim history

AHIS 611 *The Crusaders* (reading course for graduate students)

AHIS 611 *The Ottoman Empire* (reading course for graduate students)

AHIS 611 *Nomadic Empires* (reading course for graduate students)

AHIS 897 *Classical Arabic* (Direct reading in History): Introduction to the Classical Arabic language (with emphasis on the medieval Arabic texts and the Qur'ān)

SUPERVISOR:

Dissertations supervised:

S. Denisov, *Political elite of the Epirus Principality (Despotate), 1205-1261* (Moscow, Institute of World History, Russian Academy)

T. Beliakova, *Royal women as patrons of the pious foundations in the Balkans in the thirteenth and fifteenth century* (Moscow, Institute of World History, Russian Academy)

CAMPUS SERVICE:

Member of Undergraduate Committee, Department of History at the University at Albany-SUNY, 2014-present

Information officer, Department of History at the University at Albany-SUNY, 2013-2014