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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2010-Present: Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University.
- 2003-2010: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University.
- 2006-2010: Fellow, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University.

EDUCATION

- 2003: Ph.D. in Politics, Princeton University.
- 1992: B.A. in Economics, Williams College, summa cum laude.

PUBLICATIONS

A. Books

- The Thinking Student's Guide to College: 75 Tips for Getting a Better Education. University of Chicago Press, 2010.
 - Reviewed in The Review of Higher Education (35:4, 2012)
- The Quality of Democracy in Eastern Europe: Public Preferences and Policy Reforms. Cambridge University Press, 2009.
 - Reviewed in Perspectives on Politics (8:3, 2010), Journal of Politics (73:1, 2011), Comparative Political Studies (43:7, 2010), Democratization (17:3, 2010), Journal of Politics (73:1, 2011), Western European Politics (34:6, 2011), Political Studies Review (9:3, 2011), Slavic Review (70:2, 2011), Slavonic and East European Review (89:4, 2011), Czech Sociological Review (48:6, 2012).
- From Good King Wenceslas to the Good Soldier Švejk: A Dictionary of Czech Popular Culture. Central European University Press, 2005.
 - Excerpts reprinted in Czech Sociological Review (39:6, 2003) and Reflex (Special 90th anniversary of Czechoslovakia issue).
 - Reviewed in Choice (June 2006), Czech Sociological Review (Fall 2006), Slavonic and East European Journal (50:4, Winter 2006), The Prague Post (29 August 2007).

B. Peer-Reviewed Articles

- “Studying Leader and Elites: The Personal Biography Approach“ (with Dan Krcmaric and Stephen Nelson). Annual Review of Political Science, 2020.
- “Consensus and Dissensus in Comparative Politics: Do Comparativists Agree on the Goals, Methods, and Results of the Field?“ International Political Science Review, Online First.
- “Czech Billionaires as Politicians.“ Problems of Post-Communism, Online First.
- “Millionaires and the Public in Czech Politics.“ Post-Soviet Affairs 34(6), 2018, 353-366.
- "Effort, Incentives, and Culture in the Czech Senate." Journal of Legislative Studies 24(2), 2018, 197-210.
- "Czech Democracy in the Eyes of Czech Political Scientists." East European Politics, 33(4), 2017, 562-572.
- “What Do We Know and What Do We Need to Know about the Quality of Democracy in the Czech Republic.” Acta Politologica, 8, 2016, 30-51.
- “How Stable and Reasonable Is Postcommunist Public Opinion?“ Europe-Asia Studies, 66(6), 2014, 925-944.
- “What Americanists Don’t Know about American Politics.” The Forum, 11(2), 2013, 95-114.
- “Do Electoral Rules Affect Women’s Representation” (with Jason Seawright and Jennifer Cyr). Comparative Political Studies, 46(21), 2013, 1555-1581.
- “Policy Responsiveness in Postcommunist Europe” (with Byung-Yeon Kim). British Journal of Political Science, 41(4), 2011, 819-839.
- “The Politics of Healthcare Reform in Postcommunist Europe: The Importance of Access.” Journal of Public Policy, 29(3), 2009, 305-325.
- “The Politics of Constitutional Amendment in Eastern Europe.” Constitutional Political Economy, 20, 2009, 99-117.
- “Hyperaccountability: Economic Voting in Eastern Europe.” Electoral Studies, 27(3), 2008, 533-546.
- “Measuring Portfolio Salience in Eastern European Parliamentary Democracies” (with James Druckman). European Journal of Political Research, 47, 2008, 101-134.
- “Communist Successor Parties and Coalition Formation” (with James Druckman). Legislative Studies Quarterly, XXXII(1), 2007, 5-31.
- “What Kind of Democracy Is Emerging in Eastern Europe.” Post-Soviet Affairs, 22(1), 2006, 37-64.
- “The Quality of Democracy: A Review Essay.” Comparative Politics, 37(3), 2005, 357-376.
- “Context and Coalition Bargaining: Comparing Portfolio Allocation in Eastern and Western Europe” (with James Druckman). Party Politics 11(5), 2005, 535-555.
- “The State of Socialism: A Note on Terminology.” Slavic Review, 63(2), 2004, 349-366.
- “Demythologizing the Czech Opposition Agreement.” Europe-Asia Studies, 55(8), 2003, 1273-1303.

- “The Politics and Anti-Politics of Nostalgia.” East European Politics and Societies, 16(3), 2002, 764-809.

C. Book Chapters

- “Democracy and Democratisation in Postcommunist Europe.” In Adam Fagan and Petr Kopecky, eds., The Routledge Handbook of East European Politics (Routledge, 2017).
- “Czech Exceptionalism.” In Balik et al., Czech Politics from West to East and Back (Barbara Burdich Verlag, 2017)
- “Five Ways of Looking at Czech Politics.” in Balik, et al., Czech Politics from West to East and Back (Barbara Burdich Verlag, 2017)
- “The Deconsolidation of Democracy and Democratic Quality.” In Holzer, et al. Challenges to Democracies in East Central Europe (Routledge, 2016)
- “The Quality of Postcommunist Democracy.” In Stephen White, Paul Lewis, and Judy Batt, eds., Developments in East and Central European Politics 5 (Duke University Press, 2013)
- “A Comparative Study of Housing Reforms in Eastern Europe.” In Stuart Lowe and Sasha Tsenkova eds., Housing Change in East and Central Europe: 10 Years of Transition. (Ashgate, 2003).

D. Book Reviews

- Ekrem Karakoc, Inequality after Transition, Forthcoming in Slavic Review.
- Paul Lendvai, Orban: Europe’s New Strongman, Forthcoming in Slavonic and East European Review, 2019.
- Anna Fruhstorfer and Michael Hein, eds. Constitutional Politics in Central and Eastern Europe: From Post-Socialist Transition to the Reform of Political Systems, I-Connect, 2017.
- Kieran Williams, Václav Havel, Slavonic and East European Review, 2017.
- James Krapfl, Revolution with a Human Face, Slavonic and East European Review, 2014.
- Valerie Bunce and Sharon Wolchik, Defeating Authoritarian Leaders in Postcommunist Countries, Czech Sociological Review, 49(6), 2013.
- Jiří Knapík and Martin Franc, Průvodce kulturním děním a životním stylem v českých zemích 1948-1967 (A Guide to Cultural Events and Life Style in the Czech Lands, 1948-1967), Slavic Review, 72(3), Fall 2013.
- Mitchell A. Orenstein, Privatizing Pensions: The Transnational Campaign for Social Security Reform, American Journal of Sociology, 115(5), March 2010.
- Kevin Deegan Krause, Elected Affinities: Democracy and Party Competition in Slovakia and the Czech Republic, Czech Sociological Review, 3, 2009.
- Ivo Možný, Česká společnost: nejdůležitější fakta o kvalitě našeho života (Czech Society: The Most Important Facts about the Quality of Life). Czech Sociological Review, 38(6), Winter 2002.

- Herbert Kitschelt, et al. Post-Communist Party Systems: Competition, Representation, and Inter-Party Cooperation. Central European Review, February 2001.

E. Other Writing

- A Political Scientist's Progress, <https://andrewroberts.substack.com>.
- "Creative Solutions for Czech Politics", Pritomnost, December 2015 (in Czech).
- "The Balkans." Encyclopedia of Political Science (CQ Press, 2010).
- "Public Opinion on Missile Defense." Euro-Atlantic Quarterly.
- "How to Follow the American Presidential Election." Reflex, October 2008 (in Czech).
- "The Internship Experience and Studying Abroad." Frontiers: The Interdisciplinary Journal of Study Abroad, XXII, November 2005.
- "Six Czech Reasons Not to Watch the Olympics." The Prague Post, 30 January-5 February 2002.
- "Asylum for Asylum Laws: A View of the Current Asylum Crisis of the Czech Roma and a Proposed Solution." New Presence/Pritomnost, Fall 2001.
- "The Nuclear Choice: Global Warming, Kyoto, and Temelin." The Prague Post, 9-16 August 2001.
- "Nostalgia for Com-Pop." New Presence/Pritomnost, Spring 2001.
- "Perceptions and Reality: A Look at What's Behind Prague's September Demonstrations." New Presence/Pritomnost, Autumn 2000. (In English and Czech).
- "The EU's Real Haider Problem." Central European Review, April 2000.

WORKING PAPERS

- "Political Science as Engineering"
- "Biases in Elections with Well-Informed Voters"
- "The Rise of Czech Billionaires"
- "The Opinions and Non-Opinions of Czech Billionaires"
- "The Quality of Citizens"
- "The Stability of Attitudes in Changing Societies"
- "The Intuitions of Political Scientists"
- Ideally Existing Communism: Popular Culture before and after the Cold War (book manuscript)

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- Associate Chair, 2017-Present
- Pi Sigma Alpha, faculty advisor, 2016-Present
- Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2010-2013
- Placement Director, 2016-2017
- Director of Honors Program, 2008-2009, 2011-2013, 2016-2018

- Graduate Committee/Graduate Admissions, 2003-2004, 2007-2008, 2014-2015, 2016-2018
- Undergraduate Committee/Departmental Advisor, 2005, 2006-2007, 2008-2009, 2014-2016
- Search Committee, 2004-2005, 2010-2011
- Organizer of Comparative Politics Workshop, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2018-2019.
- Co-organizer of Political Institutions Workshop, 2004-2005
- Comparative Politics Field Chair, 2015-2016
- Dissertation Committees: Buddhika Jayamaha, Miklos Gosztonyi, Maavi Norman, Julia Suarez-Cao, Juan C. Olmeda, Jael Goldsmith Weil

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Curriculum Policy Committee, 2015-2018.
- Fulbright Faculty Advisor/Fulbright Selection Committee, 2007-Present.
- Carnegie Endowment Selection Committee, 2007-Present.
- Lecturer Promotion/Retention Committee, 2012-13.
- University Study Abroad Committee, 2011-2015.
- Curriculum Review Committee, 2010-2013

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Article reviewing: <https://publons.com/researcher/1185485/andrew-roberts/peer-review/>
- Manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Congressional Quarterly Press, Longman, McGraw Hill, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan
- Grant reviewer for National Science Foundation, Czech Science Foundation
- Fellowship reviewer for EURIAS, Fulbright, Global Development Network
- Division Organizer, Annual Conference of APSA, 2014
- Editorial Board, Czech Sociological Review
- Member, Comparative Democratization Fieldwork Award Committee, 2009.

AWARDS

- 2019: URAP Award
- 2017, 2018: Farrell Fellow Award
- 2011, 2012: FARA Award
- 2009: Institute for Human Sciences (IWM) Visiting Fellowship (6 months)
- 2007: Steven H. Sandell Grant for Junior Scholars in Retirement Research (with Michelle Dion) (\$40,000).
- 2004: Searle Foundation Grant for Policy Research (\$56,000).
- 2001: SSRC International Dissertation Field Research Fellowship.
- 2000-2001: IREX Individual Advanced Research Opportunity Grant.
- 1999-2000: Princeton Center for Domestic and Comparative Policy Studies Dissertation Grant.

- 1998-99: Macarthur Faculty-Student Research Grant.
- 1998: Mellon Foundation Fellowship (Summer).
- 1997-98: Fellowship for Sawyer Seminar on Western Economic Values.
- 1997: FLAS Fellowship for the Study of Serbo-Croatian.
- 1996-97: FLAS Fellowship for the Study of Czech.

COURSES TAUGHT

- Current Events through the Lens of Political Science (Undergraduate)
- Democratic Transitions (Undergraduate)
- Designing a Constitution (Undergraduate)
- Fixing the US Constitution (Undergraduate)
- Honors Thesis Seminar (Undergraduate)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergraduate)
- Introduction to Empirical Methods in Political Science (Undergraduate)
- Politics of Capitalism (Undergraduate)
- Politics of Europe (Undergraduate)
- Comparative Democratic Institutions (Graduate)
- Policymaking and the Quality of Democracy (Graduate)
- Proseminar in Comparative Politics: The Developed World (Graduate)
- Democratization (Graduate)
- Practicum in Political Analysis (Graduate)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Czech and Slovak (Nearly Fluent)
- Polish (Reading)