

Curriculum Vitae

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Current Positions:

Researcher; ICART, St. Petersburg

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Ph.D. - candidate; Faculty of Political Science and Sociology, European University at St.Petersburg.

Education:

September 2004 - present - Ph.D. Candidate, Faculty of Political Science and Sociology, the European University at St.Petersburg

September 2003 – June 2004 - MA degree in Sociology (validated by University of Helsinki), Faculty of Political Science and Sociology, the European University at St.Petersburg

September 1998 – June 2003 - University degree in Russian Studies (with honors), Faculty of Russian Language and Literature, Samara State University

Fields of interests:

Health and medicine studies; HIV/AIDS studies; qualitative methods in sociology; network studies

Research projects:

2010 – 2012 - Staying safe in St. Petersburg: How Long-Term IDUs avoid HIV Infection (SUNY Downstate, AIRTP)

2009 – 2010 – Advocacy of accessibility and quality of health services in the field of diagnostics and treatment of drug dependence, HIV/AIDS /viral Hepatitis /TB with the use of patients' M & E "Simona+" (OSI, IHRD)

2008 – 2011 – «Safe Practices in the Personal Networks of the long injecting IDU» (ICART, Medical College of Wisconsin)

2007 – «Women, Drug Use, and Harm Reduction in Georgia, Russia, and Ukraine (the case of St. Petersburg)», supported by IHRD, Open Society Institute.

2006 – 2007 – “Realization of Rights of HIV-Positive Drug Users on Anti-Retroviral Therapy: The Search for Possibilities of Compromise”, supported by Ford Foundation

2006 – 2007 – «The Reconstruction of the boundaries of human rights conception in the conflict between human rights` and religious organizations, supported by H. Boell Foundation.

March – May 2005 – “Sexual and Fertile Practices in Russia: Freedom and Responsibility (St.Petersburg, Beginning of the 21st Century)” – collective project, supported by Gender Program of European University at St.Petersburg - Ford Foundation

Mai 2005 – «Transformation of Rural Areas in European Post-Socialist Countries», supported by Aleksanteri Institute/Finnish Centre for Russian and East European Studies
2005, 2006 – Scholarship in the exchange program Nordplus Neighbour (CIMO) (National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health STAKES).
September 2004 – June 2005 – “Life Course of Modern Orthodox Families: Discursive Rules and Everyday Practices” – Ph.D. - project, supported by European University at St. Petersburg and University of Helsinki, Finland
August 2004 – August 2005 – individual subproject “Reproductive Practices in Modern Religious Families” in the collective research project “New Ways of Life: Forms of Family Organization and Changing of Domestic Space”, supported by Finnish Academy of Sciences
April 2004 – 2005 - “New Ways of Life: Forms of Family Organization and Changing of Domestic Space” – collective project, supported by Finnish Academy of Sciences
April 2003 – April 2004 – Researcher and fellow of the program «Fertility Patterns”, supported by State Research Centre of Welfare and Health Stakes (STAKES), Helsinki and University of Helsinki.

Participation in training courses and summer schools:

August, 2009 – training seminar «Monitoring and Evaluation of HIV/AIDS treatment projects», St. Petersburg, UNAIDS
August – September 2006 – Sadakhlo, Georgia. Summer School “Crossroads”, CISR, Caucasian Resource Center.
October 2005 – Mai 2006 – Distant Course of Gender Studies. Organized by Kharkov Centre of Gender Studies, supported by J.D. and K.T. Macarthur’s Foudation.
November, 2005 – Helsinki. Fellowship of the Dept. of Social Theory, University of Helsinki, Finland.
April – Mai 2004 – Helsinki. Fellowship of the international research project “Fertility Patterns” in the State Research Centre of Welfare and Health Stakes (STAKES), Finland.
July – August 2003 – Moscow, St. Petersburg (Russia). Improvement Courses “Gender Sociology: Theoru and Practice”. Organized by Centre for Sociological Education, ISRAS and Centre for Independent Social Research.
June 2003 – Samara, Togliatti (Russia). Summer School “Transformation of the Postsoviet Gender Order”. Organized by Samara State University, supported by Soros Foundation.

Papers presented:

October, 26th, 2009 – «Qualitative Methods in the Community Based Monitoring”, training seminar «Community Based Monitoring for Advocacy of Accessibility and Quality of Health Services», Moscow
September, 6th 2008 – «A Local Risk Reduction Facility and its Dependence from the Macrosocial Context: the Case of a Mobile Harm Reduction Program in St.Petersburg)», 1st ISA Forum of Sociology, Barcelona, Spain.
August, 6th 2008 – speaker on the session «In the AIDS response, where is the Leadership for women Human Rights?»; paper «Defending the rights of women drug users (Russian Federation)» on XVII International Conference AIDS 2008, Mexico City, Mexico.
June, 5th 2008 - «Women, drug using and harm reduction in St. Petersburg, Russia», International Harm Reduction Development Program, Open Society Institute, New-York, USA.
January, 21st 2008 – «Realization of Rights of HIV-Positive Drug Users on Anti-Retroviral Therapy: The Search for Possibilities of Compromise” (CISR, Ford Foundation).
April, 7th 2007– «*Reproductive policy of Russian Orthodox Church*”. Paper presented at the seminar Discrimination against Women in the Area of Reproduction Rights: New Reproductive Technologies, St. Petersburg (CISR, EU SPb, Heinrich Boell Foundation).
January, 16th 2007 - «Russian Art, Danish Cartoons, English Porno: searching idioms in the dispute about freedom of speech and believers feelings”. Paper presented at the seminar in the Center for

Independent Social Research (in Russian)

April, 13th 2006 – “*Modern Religiosity: Methodological Prolegomena to its Research*”. Paper presented at the Post-graduate seminar of the Faculty of Political Science and Sociology, European University at St. Petersburg (in Russian)

December, 14-15th 2005 – “Old Song with the New Refrain: Orthodox Discourse on Health and the Regional Social Politic of the Reproductive and Sexual Health”. Paper presented at the Conference “Health in Changing Society: Discourse, Politic, Everyday Practices in Modern Russia”, St. Petersburg, Russia.

October, 29th - November, 2nd 2005 – “Intimacy Order and Contraceptive Choice”. Paper presented at the research seminar in the Dept. of Social Theory, Helsinki University, Finland.

November, 2005 - “Contemporary Researches of the Modern Religiosity: Case of Europe”. Paper presented at the seminar in the Center for Independent Social Research (in Russian).

September, 2005 – “Everyday Practices of Modern Believers”. Paper presented at the seminar in the Center for Independent Social Research (in Russian).

Publications:

- Meylakhs P, Friedman R S, Meylakhs N, Mateu-Gelabert P, Sandoval M (2010). Taking Care of Themselves: How Long-Term Injection Drug Users remain HIV and HCV free. (in press)
- Zhenschiny, upotreblenije narkotokov I snizhenije vreda v Sankt-Peterburge // *Kruglyj Stol*, №3, 2008. Pp. 57-70; №2, 2008, Pp. 59-68; №1, 2008, Pp. 54-66.
- Review of “The Joy of All Who Sorrow: Icons of the Mother of God in Russia” by Daniel Rancour-Lafferriere. *Ab Imperio*, No3, 2008.
- Neslyshnyje peregovory, nevidimyje sviazi: vybor sposoba predokhraneniija i otnosheniija mezhdru partnerami (Intimacy Order and the Choice of Contraceptives), in “Novyj Byt v Sovremennoj Rossii: gendernyje issledovanija povsednevnosti”, eds. E. Zdravomyslova, A. Rotkirch and A. Temkina, 2008.
- Review of “Castration and the Heavenly Kingdom: A Russian Folktale” by Lora Engelstaein. *Ab Imperio*, No2, 2006.
- Korporativnaja Etika I Dukh Edy: Zametki po Sotziologii Potrebleniija (Corporate Ethic and Spirit of the Meal: Notes on the Sociology of Consumption), in *Bespredelnaja Sotziologija (Boundless Sociology)* / eds. O. Patchenkov, M. Sokolov and E. Chikadze. SPb, CISR. 2005. PP. 150-158.
- Gendernyj Porjadok Muzhskogo Monastyrja (Gender Order of the Male Closter), in: *The transformation of the Gender Relations: Western Theories and Russian Practices* / ed. by L. Popkova and I. Tartakovskaja. Samara: Samara University, 2003. In cooperation with L. Vandysheva and E. Plotnikiva. PP. 248 - 258.
- Rechevoj Portret Publichnogo Politika: Ostanovites, Vas zapisyvajut (Speech Portrait of Public Politician: Stop! You are recorded). *Izvestija*, №17 (3), 2002. P. 5