

# KELLY M. McMANN

## Curriculum Vitae

Department of Political Science  
Case Western Reserve University  
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### **POSITIONS**

#### **Case Western Reserve University**

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, July 2010 to present  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, July 2002 to June 2010  
Director, International Studies Program, July 2015 to present  
Interim Director, International Studies Program, July 2011 to June 2015

#### **University of Michigan**

Research Associate, Center for Russian and East European Studies, 2005 to present  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan, 2005-2006

**Harvard University**, Associate, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, 1999-2002

**Yale University**, Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Spring 2001, Fall 1999

**Wellesley College**, Visiting Instructor, Department of Political Science, Spring 2000

### **EDUCATION**

**University of Michigan**, Ph.D., Department of Political Science, 2000

Dissertation: "Symbiotic Transitions: Democratic Development and Economic Independence in Post-Soviet Provinces"

Awarded honors for Comparative Politics doctoral examination.

**Dartmouth College**, B.A., Department of Government, Russian and Eastern European Studies, 1992;  
cum Laude with Government Department Honors

Senior Thesis: "National-Russian Relations in Estonia and Moldova"

### **RESEARCH GRANTS and FELLOWSHIPS**

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (awarded to research team), 2014-2020

Social Science Research Council Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, 2006-2008

National Council for Eurasian and East European Research Contract (co-PI), 2002-2003

National Council for Eurasian and East European Research Policy Research Fellowship, 2001-2002

International Research & Exchanges Board Individual Advanced Research Opportunities Grant, 2001

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend Award, 2001

International Research & Exchanges Board Short-term Travel Grant, 2001

Russian Academy of Sciences Institute of Sociology Fellowship, 1998

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Grant, 1998

Institute for the Study of World Politics Fellowship, 1997

Fulbright-Hays Summer Scholarship, 1995

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships, 1994-1996

**PUBLICATIONS****PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS****Books**

*Corruption as a Last Resort: Adapting to the Market in Central Asia*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2014.

\*Received honorable mention for the Ed A Hewett Book Prize for outstanding publication on the political economy of Russia, Eurasia and/or Eastern Europe.

*Economic Autonomy and Democracy: Hybrid Regimes in Russia and Kyrgyzstan*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006.

**Articles and Chapters**

“Developing State Legitimacy: The Credibility of Messengers and the Utility, Fit and Success of Ideas.” *Comparative Politics*, forthcoming 2016.

“Research Report. V-Dem: A New Way to Measure Democracy” (Staffan I. Lindberg, Michael Coppedge, John Gerring, and Jan Teorell, with David Altman, Michael Bernhard, Steven Fish, Adam Glynn, Alan Hicken, Matthew Kroenig, **Kelly McMann**, Pamela Paxton, Daniel Pemstein, Megan Reif, Svend-Erik Skaaning, Jeffrey Staton, Eitan Tzelgov, and Yi-ting Wang.) *Journal of Democracy*, 25, 2 (July 2014), 159-169.

“Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy: A New Approach” (Michael Coppedge and John Gerring, with David Altman, Michael Bernhard, Steven Fish, Allen Hicken, Matthew Kroenig, Staffan I. Lindberg, **Kelly McMann**, Pamela Paxton, Holli A. Semetko, Svend-Erik Skaaning, Jeffrey Staton, and Jan Teorell,) *Perspectives on Politics*, 9, 2, (2011), 247-267.

“Market Reform as a Stimulus to Particularistic Politics.” *Comparative Political Studies*, 42, 7 (2009), 971-994.

“The Shrinking of the Welfare State: Central Asians’ Assessments of Soviet and Post-Soviet Governance.” *Everyday Life in Central Asia: Past and Present*. eds. Jeff Sahadeo and Russell Zanca. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2007, 233-247.

“The Civic Realm in Kyrgyzstan: Soviet Economic Legacies and Activists’ Expectations.” *The Transformation of Central Asia: States and Societies from Soviet Rule to Independence*. ed. Pauline Jones Luong. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2003, 213-245.

“The Personal Risks of Party Development.” *Dilemmas of Transition in Post-Soviet Countries*. ed. Joel C. Moses. Chicago: Burnham, Inc. Publishers, 2003, 163-186.

“A Survey of Democracy in Russia’s Regions.” (co-author Nikolai V. Petrov) *Post-Soviet Geography and Economics*, 41, 3 (2000), 155-182.

**DATASETS****Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem)**

Project manager for subnational government for this dataset of more than 300 indicators of democracy for each country of the world from 1900 to the present. To be completed in 2015. Details at <https://v-dem.net>

**Central Asian 2015 Mass Survey Datasets**

Collaborator on surveys about media usage and attitudes toward foreign countries, which included 2000 respondents each in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

**Central Asian 2003 Mass Survey Datasets**

Co-PI for political and economic surveys of 1500 respondents each in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan .

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS****Book Reviews**

Review of Edward L. Gibson, *Boundary Control: Subnational Authoritarianism in Federal Democracies*, *Perspectives on Politics*, 11, 4 (December 2013), 1206-1208.

Review of Graeme B. Robertson, *The Politics of Protest in Hybrid Regimes: Managing Dissent in Post-communist Russia*, *Perspectives on Politics*, 9, 3 (September 2011), 746-748.

Review of Thomas F. Remington, *The Politics of Inequality in Russia*, *The Journal of Politics* 74, 1 (January 2012), 1-2.

**Working Papers**

“The Problem of Subnational Unevenness in Democracy.” Stockholm: International IDEA, 2014.

“Central Asians and the State: Nostalgia for the Soviet Era.” Washington, D.C.: The National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, 2004.

“The Transformation of State-Society Relations in Post-Soviet Central Asia.” Washington, D.C.: The National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, 2004.

“Kazakhstan’s Repression, America’s Peril.” Washington, D.C.: The National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, 2004.

**Conference Proceedings**

“International Influences on Russian Regional Democratization.” *Slavic Eurasia’s Integration into the World Economy and Community*. ed. Tabata Shinichiro and Akihiro Iwashita. Sapporo: Slavic Research Center, 2004, 413-434.

**Invited Commentaries**

“Authoritarianism: Learning from Subnational Enclaves” *Comparative Democratization*, 13, 2, American Political Science Association (June 2015), 3, 18-19.

“Look Beyond the Capital: The Geography of Political Openings in Eurasia” Program on New Approaches to Research and Security in Eurasia Policy Memo, September 2014, <http://www.ponarseurasia.org/>.

“Improving Theories of Regimes, Regime Continuity, and Regime Change Through Subnational Research: The Utility of the Varieties of Democracy Dataset” *Comparative Democratization*, 10, 2, American Political Science Association (June 2012), 4, 23-27.

“New Presidents in Central Asia: Will Life Improve for the Average Person?” *NewsNet*, American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (May 2007), 1-4, 6-7.

“The Case for Economic Pluralism.” *Russia Watch*, 2 (August 2000), 9-10.

**WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

“Governing Countries: A Theory of Subnational Regime Variation,” with John Gerring, et al., article manuscript.

“The Study of Subnational Democratization: The State of the Field and a Research Agenda,” article manuscript

“Complementary Strategies of Validation: Assessing the Validity of V-Dem Corruption Measures” with Jan Teorell and Brigitte Zimmerman, article manuscript.

“Does Democracy Kill Corruption? A Global Time-Series Analysis with V-Dem Data” with Jan Teorell and Brigitte Zimmerman, article manuscript

“Electoral Free and Fairness: The Impact of Local Elections on National Ones” with Staffan Lindberg, article manuscript

“Democratization Beyond National Capitals: Clues from the First Wave,” article manuscript

“Measuring Subnational Democracy,” article manuscript

“Effects of Democracy Assistance on Democratization” with Carolien van Ham and Anna Lührmann, article project.

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS and PAPERS** (since 2005)

- Quality of Government Institute**, “Corruption as a Last Resort: Individuals Adapting to Market Reform,” May 29, 2015.
- University of Amsterdam**, “Change and Continuity in Space: Authoritarian Enclaves,” Conceptualizing and Operationalizing Authoritarianism Seminar, June 5, 2014.
- University of Gothenburg**, “Subnational Democracy: Global Expansion,” V-Dem Institute, May 12, 2014.
- Brown University**, “Subnational Research in Comparative Politics: Concluding Roundtable Discussion,” The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, May 9-10, 2013.
- University of Pennsylvania**, “Democratization Beyond National Capitals,” Comparative Politics Workshop, March 18, 2013.
- University of Notre Dame**, “Outside Capitals: Measuring and Explaining Subnational Democracy,” Kellogg Institute for International Studies, May 1, 2012.
- Norwegian Institute of International Affairs**, “Corruption as a Last Resort: Adapting to the Market in Central Asia,” September 28, 2011.
- University of Wisconsin, Madison**, “Grand Plans and Petty Corruption: Adapting to Market Reform in Central Asia,” Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia, October 21, 2010.
- Indiana University**, “Coping with Uncertainty: Individual Challenges and Institutional Change Twenty Years after the Introduction of Market Economies,” Russian and East European Institute, Panel, April 16, 2010.
- Harvard University**, “Setting the Criteria for State Legitimacy: The Roles of States and Societies,” Workshop on Conceptualizing and Measuring Legitimacy for Comparative and Cross-National Analyses, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, March 14, 2009.
- Harvard University**, “Market Reform’s Impact on Bribery, Clientelism, and Favoritism: Evidence from Central Asia and Other Postcommunist States,” Central Asia and Caucasus Working Group, March 12, 2009.
- Cornell University**, “The Endurance of Hybrid Regimes: Particularistic Politics and Citizens’ Support,” Central Asia and Africa Workshop, Department of Government, September 26, 2008.
- Havighurst Center at Miami University**, “The Demise of the Welfare State in Post-Soviet Central Asia: Rewriting the Contract Between Citizens and Government,” October 10, 2005.
- Indiana University**, “Kyrgyzstan Effect: A Panel Discussion on Current Events in Kyrgyzstan,” Inner Asian and Uralic National Resource Center, April 11, 2005.
- Ohio State University**, “Coping Without Communism: State and Societies in Central Asia,” Center for Slavic and East European Studies, February 3, 2005.
- University of Michigan**, “Coping Without Communism: State and Societies in Central Asia,” Center for Russian and East European Studies, January 19, 2005.

**CONFERENCE PAPERS and PRESENTATIONS** (since 2005)

- The American Political Science Association**, Annual Meetings
- “Electoral Freeness and Fairness: The Impact of Local Elections on National Ones,” September 3, 2015
- “Does Democracy Kill Corruption? A Global Time-Series Analysis with V-Dem Data” with Jan Teorell and Brigitte Zimmerman, September 5, 2015
- “Democratic Unevenness: A Crossnational Analysis,” with John Gerring, et al., August 30, 2014
- “Democratization Beyond National Capitals: Evidence from England and France,” August 30, 2013
- “Subnational Democracy Indices: Aggregating Varieties of Democracy Data,” with Andrew Slivka, August 29, 2013
- “Democratization Subnationally,” September 1, 2011
- “Studying Subnational Politics: The Role of Expert Surveys,” September 4, 2010

**The American Political Science Association**, Annual Meetings (continued)

“The Dynamics of Particularistic Politics in Non-Democracies: Corruption as a Last Resort,” September 5, 2009

“Clientelism as an Unexpected Outcome of Market Reform,” August 30, 2007

“Citizens’ Impact on State Capacity: Building States in Post-Soviet Central Asia,” September 2, 2006

“The Impact of Neoliberal Reforms on State-Society Relations: Coping Without Communism in Central Asia,” September 3, 2005

**Council for European Studies**, Annual Conference

“Democratization of Authoritarian Enclaves in Historical England and France,” July 10, 2015.

“Democratization Beyond National Capitals: Clues from the First Wave,” March 14, 2014.

**Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies**, National Conventions

“The Endurance of Hybrid Regimes: Particularistic Politics and Citizens’ Support,” November 23, 2008

“Citizens’ Impact on State Capacity: Building States in Post-Soviet Central Asia,” November 18, 2006

**Central Eurasian Studies Society**, Annual Conferences

“The Absence of Islamic Social Services in Central Asia,” October 10, 2009

“Particularistic Politics and Citizens’ Support for Hybrid Regimes in Central Asia,” September 19, 2008

“Citizens’ Impact on State Capacity: Building States in Post-Soviet Central Asia,” September 30, 2006

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**International IDEA**

“**The Problem of Subnational Unevenness in Democracy**,” talk, Stockholm, Sweden, November 5, 2014.

“**Local Democracy: Global Data and Trends Across Time**,” talk, Stockholm, Sweden, May 15, 2014.

**Citizen-led Assessments of Democracy—A Decade of Experiences from Around the World**, conference, Bangkok, Thailand, “Democracy at the Local Level,” September 16, 2013.

“**Democracy at the Local Level**,” talk, Stockholm, Sweden, June 27, 2013.

**External Reviewer**, The State of Local Democracy Assessment Methodology, April 2013.

**The State of Local Democracy Assessment Methodology—A Review**, workshop, Lusaka, Zambia, “Measuring Local Democracy,” December 7, 2011.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Editorial Board Member**: American Political Science Association-Comparative Democratization Newsletter, 2014-2016

**Conference Section Organizer**: Politics of Communist and Former Communist Countries, American Political Science Association, 2013; Politics of Communist and Former Communist Countries Section, Midwest Political Science Association, 2010

**Manuscript Reader**: *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Democratization*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *European Political Science Review*, National Bureau of Asian Research, *Problems of Post-Communism*, *Review of International Political Economy*, *Slavic Review*, *Studies in Comparative and International Development*, *World Politics*, and Cornell University Press

**Reviewer**: Fulbright National Screening Committee, 2014, 2015; Eurasia Economic and Social Research Council (UK), 2011; International Research & Exchanges Board, 2011; ACTR/ACCELS, 2010; National Endowment for the Humanities, 2008; National Science Foundation, 2006, 2005, 2004

**Media Interviews**: BBC World Service, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Institute for War and Peace Reporting, *The Plain Dealer*

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**Program on New Approaches to Research and Security in Eurasia**, 2012 to present

**Program on Eurasia in Transition**, Harvard University, 2002-2005

**American Political Science Association**, 1993 to present

**Council for European Studies**, 2014

**Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies**, 1993 to 2012

**Central Eurasian Studies Society**, 2000 to 2009

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Research Methods**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**Introduction to Comparative Politics**, undergraduate course, Case Western Reserve University

**Transitions to Democracy and Dictatorship**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**State-Building and State Collapse**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**Politics of Russia**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**Politics of Central Asia**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**Evidence**, interdisciplinary first-year seminar, Case Western Reserve University

**Continuity and Change in Central Asia**, undergraduate and graduate seminar, Yale University

## **TEACHING HONORS**

**Glennan Fellowship**, 2008, awarded for “demonstrated excellence in both scholarship and teaching.”

**Carl F. Wittke Award Nominee**, 2010, 2007, 2005, 2003, recognized for excellence in undergraduate teaching.

**J. Bruce Jackson Award Nominee**, 2012, 2010, 2005, recognized for excellence in undergraduate mentoring.

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### **Case Western Reserve University**

IRB Researcher in Local Context, University Hospitals Case Medical Center, 2007 to present

Asian Studies Advisory Committee Member, 2005 to present

Judaic Studies Faculty Steering Committee Member, 2012 to present

Committee on Educational Programs, College of Arts and Sciences, elected position, 2009-2012

Political Science Working Group, Founder and Coordinator, 2006 to 2012

Co-chair, Funding and Resources Working Group, International Planning Committee, 2010-2011

International Planning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences representative, 2010-2011

Political Science Lecture Series Committee Member, 2010-2011

Kelvin Smith Library Liaison, Political Science Department, 2002-2010

Graduate Studies Committee Member, Political Science Department, 2002-2009

German Studies Advisory Committee Member, 2003-2009

Comparative Politics Reading Group, Founder and Coordinator, 2007-2008

Graduate Coordinator, Political Science Department, 2003-2007

Executive Committee Member, University Undergraduate Faculty, elected position, 2004-2007

Library Advisory Committee Member, College of Arts and Sciences, 2004-2006

Undergraduate Grant Committee Member, College of Arts and Sciences, 2002-2003

**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

**Russian:** proficient in speaking, reading, and writing

**Uzbek:** basic knowledge

**Kyrgyz:** familiarity with from fieldwork and study of Uzbek, a related language

**Kazakh:** familiarity with from fieldwork and study of Uzbek, a related language

**German:** basic knowledge

**French:** basic knowledge

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