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EDUCATION

University of Georgia

Expected May 2027

Ph.D. in Political Science and International Affairs

Major Field: American Politics

Minor Field: Political Methodology

Dissertation: *“Localism Under Pressure: Candidate Strategies in an Era of Congressional Nationalization”*

Committee: Geoffrey Sheagley (Chair); Jamie Carson; David Cottrell

Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO University)

M.A. in Political Science (*with honors*)

June 2022

B.A. in Political Science (*with honors*)

June 2020

RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Politics, U.S. Congress, Political Representation, Electoral Accountability, Campaigns and Elections, Political Behavior, Nationalization and Localism

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed articles:

Okunev, Igor, Marianna Shestakova, and **Emma Bibina**. 2020. “Neighborhood with Russia: Implications for Regional Differentiation of Public Opinion in Belarus.” *Russia in Global Affairs* 18, no. 4: 10–36.

Book chapters:

Ainsworth, Scott H., and **Emma Bibina**. Forthcoming. “Continuity and Instability among K Street Lobbying Firms.” In *Interest Group Politics*, 10th ed., edited by Anthony J. Nownes, Allan J. Cigler, and Burdett A. Loomis. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Bibina, Emma, and Jamie Carson. Forthcoming. “Congress in a Nationalized Age: Elections, Representation, and Governing.” In *New Directions in Congressional Politics*, 3rd ed., edited by Jamie Carson and Michael Lynch. New York: Routledge.

Okunev, Igor, **Emma Bibina**, et al. 2024. *Atlas of Human Development. Multi-dimensional Scaling, Clustering, Spatial Data Analysis*. Aspect-Press. Chapters on various indicators.

Okunev, Igor, Petr Oskolkov, Maria Tislenko, **Emma Bibina**, and Rostislav Shilovski. 2022. *Transforming the Administrative Matryoshka: The Reform of Autonomous Okrugs in the Russian Federation 2003-2008*. ibidem-Verlag.

WORKING PAPERS

Bibina, Emma. “Do Voters Reward Earmarks? Evidence from Survey Experimental and Observational Data.” Under review at *Political Behavior*

Bibina, Emma. “Beyond Party and Policy: The Electoral Impact of Candidate Responsiveness to Constituents.” *In preparation for journal submission*.

Bibina, Emma, and Dougherty, Keith L. “Vote-Specific Shapley-Owen Values and the Pivots of the U.S. Constitutional Convention.” *In preparation for journal submission*.

	Bibina, Emma, and Dougherty, Keith L. “sov: An R Package for Traditional and Vote-Specific Shapley-Owen Values.” <i>In preparation for journal submission.</i>	
WORK IN PROGRESS	Bibina, Emma. “Local Roots, National Tides: How Candidate Background Shapes Congressional Advertising.”	
GRANTS	Rapoport Family Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Survey Research Grant, 2025 (\$15,000). Principal Investigator.	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	University of Georgia	2022 – Present
	Research Assistant Scott Ainsworth, Jamie Carson, David Cottrell, Keith Dougherty, Harrison Frye, Susan Haire, M.V. (Trey) Hood III	
	Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO University)	2019 – 2022
	Research Assistant, Center for Spatial Analysis in International Relations	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	University of Georgia	
	Instructor of Record, Introduction to American Government	Spring 2026
	Graduate Assistant, SPIA Methods Help Desk	2024 – Present
	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Government	2023 – 2026
SCHOLARSHIPS & TRAVEL FUNDING	Rapoport Family Foundation Travel Grant, 2026	
	UGA Graduate School Travel Grant, 2026	
	UGA SPIA Scholarship, 2026	
	SPSA Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2025	
	ICPSR – Warren E. Miller Scholarship, 2024	
	UGA SPIA Dean’s Professional Experience Fund, 2023 – 2024	
	The Vladimir Potanin Foundation Scholarship, 2021	
	MGIMO University Full Scholarship, 2020	
	MGIMO University Full Scholarship, 2016	
AWARDS & HONORS	University of Georgia Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2025	
	University of Georgia Student Employee of the Year Award, 2024	
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	“Local Roots, National Tides: How Candidate Background Shapes Congressional Advertising.”	
	Women in Legislative Studies Annual Conference, October 2026	
	“Beyond Party and Policy: The Electoral Impact of Candidate Responsiveness to Constituents.”	
	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2026	
	Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Annual Conference, May 2026	
	Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2026	
	“Pork Wars: Congressional Earmarks Strike Back?”	
	Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2025	
WORKSHOPS	IPSA RC 41 & 15 Fifth International Workshop	November 2022
	“Political Geography and Geopolitics: Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods”	
	Presentation: “Health Across the World: Multivariate Analysis”	

TRAINING	Video Research Institute, Purdue University	Summer 2026
	ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods <i>Advanced Regression: Nonlinear, Nonparametric, and Robustness Analyses</i> <i>Applied Multilevel Modeling</i>	Summer 2024
DISCIPLINE SERVICE	Chair and Discussant, APSA Annual Meeting	September 2026
	Panel: <i>“Opinion Dynamics and Political Representation”</i> Reviewer, <i>Political Research Quarterly</i>	
SOFTWARE & PROGRAMMING	Software Development: sov R package, co-developed with Keith Dougherty. Provides tools to calculate vote-specific Shapley-Owen values for assemblies with weighted voting, variable thresholds, and multidimensional settings. Available on CRAN and GitHub.	
	Skills: GitHub, R, L ^A T _E X, Qualtrics, QuestionPro	
LANGUAGES	English (fluent), French (intermediate), Russian (native), Spanish (intermediate)	