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## Career history

Senior Lecturer in Quantitative Sociology  
University of Exeter  
November 2017 – present

Lecturer in Quantitative Sociology  
University of Exeter  
September 2014 – October 2017

Assistant Professor, Research Fellow  
Department of Sociology, Centre for Advanced Studies  
National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow  
September 2011 – August 2014

Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellow  
European University Institute  
September 2010 – August 2011

**Education**        *DPhil, Sociology, 2005-11*  
St. Antony's College, University of Oxford  
                            Thesis: *"Essays on Occupational Social Class and Status in Post-Soviet Russia"*

*M.A., Sociology, 2003-04*  
European University at St. Petersburg

*Diploma, History, 1996-2003*  
St. Petersburg State University

## Areas of interest

Inequalities in education; ethnic minorities; statistical methods in the social sciences; field experiments; longitudinal analysis; programme evaluation in education.

## Grants

2016-19 "Ethnic groups in the Russian labour market". PI (Co-I: Andrey Scherbak). British Academy, International Partnership and Mobility Scheme.

2017-18 "Inclusion and the academisation of English secondary schools: Trends in the placements of pupils with significant SEN and those permanently excluded". Co-I (PI: Alison Black, Co-I: Brahm Norwich). ESRC, Secondary Data Analysis Initiative.

2015-17 "Evaluating an innovative classroom reading intervention in Years 2 and 3". Co-I (PI: Brahm Norwich). Nuffield Foundation.

## Publications

- Liu, Y., Bessudnov, A., Black, A., Norwich, B. (2019). "School autonomy and educational inclusion of children with special needs: Evidence from England". SocArXiv. 7 January. doi: 10.31235/osf.io/y7z56.
- Bessudnov, A., Shcherbak, A. (2018). "Ethnic hierarchy in the Russian labour market: A field experiment". SocArXiv. 16 October. doi: 10.31235/osf.io/2qzus.
- Bessudnov, A. (2016). "Ethnic hierarchy and public attitudes towards immigrants in Russia". *European Sociological Review*. 32 (5): 567-580.
- Bessudnov, A. (2016). "The effects of parental social background on labour market outcomes in Russia", in: *Education, Occupation and Social Origin: A Comparative Analysis of the Transmission of Socio-Economic Inequalities*, Eds. F. Bernardi and G. Ballarino. Edward Elgar, pp. 150-167.
- Bessudnov, A., Makarov, A. (2015). "Gender differences in mathematical performance and the school context: Evidence from Russia". *International Studies in Sociology of Education* 25 (1): 63-81.
- Bessudnov, A., Guardiancich, I., Marimon, R. (2015). "A statistical evaluation of the effects of a structured postdoctoral programme". *Studies in Higher Education* 40 (9): 1588-1604.
- Bessudnov, A., McKee, M., Stuckler, D. (2012). "Inequalities in male mortality by occupational class, perceived status, and education in Russia, 1994-2006". *European Journal of Public Health* 22(3): 332-337.
- Bessudnov, A. (2012). "A relational occupational scale for Russia", in *Social Stratification: Trends and Processes*, Eds. R. Blackburn, R. Connelly, V. Gayle and P. Lambert. Ashgate, pp.53-68.

## Publications in Russian

- Bessudnov, A.R., Kurakin, D.Y., Malik, V.M. (2017). "Kak voznik i chto skryvaet mif o vseobschem vysshem obrazovanii". *Voprosy obrazovaniya* 3: 83-109. ["The myth about universal higher education: Russia in the international context".]
- Bessudnov, A.R., Malik, V.M. (2016). "Sotsialno-ekonomicheskoe i gendernoe neravenstvo pri vybore obrazovatel'noy traektorii posle okonchaniya 9-go klassa sredney shkoly". *Voprosy obrazovaniya* 1: 135-167. ["Socio-economic and gender inequalities in educational trajectories upon completion of lower secondary education in Russia".]
- Yastrebov, G., Bessudnov, A., Pinskaya, M., Kosaretskiy, G. (2013). "Problema kontekstualizatsii obrazovatel'nykh rezultatov: shkoly, sotsial'nyy sostav uchashihsya i uroven' deprivatsii territoriy". *Voprosy obrazovaniya* 4: 188-246. ["Contextualizing academic performance in Russian schools: School characteristics, the composition of student body and local deprivation".]
- Bessudnov, A. (2009). "Sotsial'no-professional'nyy status v sovremennoy Rossii". *Mir Rossii* XVIII (2): 89-115. ["Occupational status in Russia".]

## Conference presentations and talks

"Ethnic groups in the Russian labour market" (with Andrey Shcherbak)

*Presented at:* "Ethnic inequality in the labour market" conference (Amsterdam, 28 September 2017); LCSR seminar (HSE St Petersburg, 25 January 2018); St Antony's College Russian and Eurasian studies seminar (Oxford University, 19 February 2018); Southern Sociological Association meeting (New Orleans, 6 April 2018); HSE April conference (Moscow, 10 April 2018); American Sociological Association meeting (14 August 2018); King's College London (1 October 2018); European Consortium for Sociological Research conference (29 October 2018)

"Social inequalities in higher education in Russia" (with Dmitry Kurakin and Valeriya Malik)

- Presented at:* Institute of Education seminar (HSE Moscow, 23 January 2018)
- “Ethnic intermarriage and homogamy in Russia”
- Presented at:* University of Glasgow (2 November 2016)
- “Public attitudes to immigrants in the Russian regions”
- Presented at:* MWP conference, EUI (11 June 2014); St.Antony’s College, University of Oxford (4 November 2013)
- “Unofficial payments in Russian regions: A multilevel analysis”
- Presented at:* ASEEES 2015 convention (Philadelphia, 19 November 2015); Laboratory for Comparative Social Research conferences, HSE Moscow (26 November 2011, 26 April 2012, 10 November 2012); Havighurst Center conference, Miami University (26 March 2012); 13th HSE conference, Moscow (5 April 2012); RC02 meeting, Moscow (26 October 2012)
- “Gender differences in mathematical performance in Russia”
- Presented at:* RC28 spring meeting, Hong Kong (11 May 2012); ASA Annual Meeting 2014 (San Francisco, August 2014)
- “Inequality in educational returns in Russia”
- Presented at:* Workshop on educational inequalities, EUI, Florence (22 June 2012)
- “A statistical evaluation of the Max Weber Postdoctoral Programme”
- Presented at:* MWP conference, EUI, Florence (13 June 2012)
- “Inequalities in mortality by occupational class, perceived status, and education in Russia, 1994-2006”
- Presented at:* 3rd European Public Health Conference, Amsterdam (11 November 2010), EUI (23 November 2010, 9 June 2011)
- “No country for old men”: Explaining the age-earnings profiles in Russia”
- Presented at:* ISA World Congress (16 July 2010), Oxford – Sciences Po Joint Doctoral Seminar (10 December 2009), Graduate Research in Progress Seminar, Department of Sociology, Oxford University (6 November 2009), Departmental Seminar, Department of Sociology, Higher School of Economics, Moscow (6 October 2009), RC28 Summer Meeting, Yale University (3-6 August 2009)
- “Social class and informal employment contracts in post-Soviet Russia”
- Presented at:* 10th International Conference on Economic and Social Development, HSE, Moscow (7-9 April 2009), GSGP Spring Conference, Royal Holloway, University of London (2-5 April 2009), Interdisciplinary Seminar, Department of Political Science and Sociology, European University at St.Petersburg (12 March 2009)
- “An occupational status scale for post-Soviet Russia”
- Presented at:* Joint Seminar of the Laboratory for Labour Market Research and Laboratory for Institutional Analysis, HSE, Moscow (13 October 2009), RC28 Spring Meeting, EUI (15-17 May 2008), 12th Annual Aage Sørensen Memorial Conference for Graduate Students in Sociology, Harvard University (10-11 April 2008)

## Teaching

University of Exeter (2014 - ): Introduction to Quantitative Research, Introduction to Social Data, Data Analysis in Social Science 3, Immigration in Western Societies, Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis

Higher School of Economics (2011-14): Introduction to Sociology for Economists, Quantitative Data Analysis in Sociology, Regression Analysis

### Scholarships and awards

2008–10	Open Society Institute Global Supplementary Grant
2005–08	Hill Foundation Scholarship
7/2008	Archie Brown Bursary St. Antony's College, Oxford University
7/2008	Departmental Bursary Department of Sociology, Oxford University
5/2008	Travel Award Research Committee 28, International Sociological Association
2/2008	Stahl Award St. Antony's College, Oxford University

### Professional memberships and responsibilities

Research Committee 28 (Social stratification), International Sociological Association;  
American Sociological Association.

Fellow of Higher Education Academy.

Reviewer for the *American Sociological Review*, *Social Forces*, *European Sociological Review*, *Social Science and Medicine*, *Migration Studies*, *Studies in Higher Education*, *Higher Education*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *Post-Soviet Affairs*, *Sociological Research Online*, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, *Demograficheskoe Obozrenie*, *Ekonomicheskaya Sotsiologiya*, *Sotsiologiya 4M*, *Voprosy Obrazovaniya*, Sage, Routledge, the ESRC, Russia's Science Foundation.

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