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Academic Positions

2015 - 2017 **Faculty/Lecturer**, Baku Engineering University(Former Qafqaz U), Baku, Azerbaijan.

Education

2017–2022 **Ph.D. in Political Science**, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, USA.

◦ Dissertation: *Why Do States Repress Sexual Minorities? Legitimacy, Diversionary Homophobic Nationalism, and Anti-Westernism*

2017–2022 **Graduate Program in Social Science Research Methods**, Arizona State University, Tempe.

◦ Completed Courses: *Machine Learning, Applied Regression, Advanced Experimental Methods, Qualitative Research Methods, Econometrics, MLE, Bayesian Statistics, Capstone Project*

2014–2015 **M.A. in Dialogue Studies and International Relations**, Keele University, Newcastle, UK.

2008–2012 **B.A. in European Studies and Economic Sciences**, Baku Engineering University(Former Qafqaz U), Baku, Azerbaijan.

Fields of Research Interests

Substantive armed conflict, authoritarian politics, democratization, human rights, state repression, international and environmental security, International Political Economy

Methods computational social science, machine learning, text as data, multimethod

Peer-Reviewed Articles

2023 **Namig Abbasov** and Cameron G. Thies "Between the West and Russia: Explaining Individual Foreign Policy Preferences in Small States", *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 19(2).

2023 **Namig Abbasov**, "Nation-Building and Trust in Religious Organizations: Evidence from Georgia and Armenia", *Nations and Nationalism*. *Accepted*.

2021 **Namig Abbasov**, "Antigovernment Protests and Commitment to Democratic Principles", *Problems of Post-Communism*, 69(1): 1-15.

2019 Emil Souleimanov, **Namig Abbasov**, and David Siroky, "Frankenstein in Grozny: vertical and horizontal cracks in the foundation of Kadyrov's rule", *Asia Europe Journal*, 17(1): 87-103.

2018 **Namig Abbasov** and David Siroky, "Joining the Club: Explaining Alliance Preferences in the South Caucasus", *Caucasus Survey*, 6(3): 252-267 (*Winner of Open Science Foundation Preregistration*).

Under Review

- **Namig Abbasov**, "Forecasting Foreign Policy Dispositions in the Small States: Machine Learning Approach, *under review*.
- **Namig Abbasov**, "Why do States Repress Sexual Minorities? Opposition to Liberal International Order", *under review*.
- **Namig Abbasov**, "Threat Perception and Support for Democracy in Authoritarian Settings(*Received Best Graduate Student Paper Award from Northeastern Political Science Association*)", *under review*.

Working Papers

- War Recurrence: Technology, Alliances, and Nationalism (with David Siroky and Jeyhun Mahmudlu)
- Selective Violence in Chechnya (with Emil Souleimanov)
- Climate Change and Public Opinion(with Allie Williams)

- Global Environmental Collective Action: Climate Change vs Protection of Ozone Layer

Work in Progress

- Predicting War Recurrence Using Machine Learning Algorithms
- Foreign Policy Preferences toward the United States and Russia: ML Approach
- Western Support for Global Gay Rights and Movements: Shared Identity and National Interests
- Great Power Shelter for the Small States
- What Explains Public Disapproval of Global Sanctions against Russia in Anti-Russian Societies?

Book Chapters and Other Editor- and Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2023 **Namig Abbasov** and Emil Souleimanov, "Post-War Situation in Karabakh: Peace and Reconciliation", *Central Asia-Caucasus Institute Book Project on Forty Four-Day War*, forthcoming.
- 2022 **Namig Abbasov** and Emil Souleimanov, "Azerbaijan, Israel, and Iran: How an Unlikely Triangle is Shaping the Northern Middle East", *Middle East Policy*, 29(1): 139-153
- 2021 David Siroky and **Namig Abbasov**, "Secession and Secessionist Movements" in *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*, Ed. Sandy Maisel., Oxford University Press.
- 2021 **Namig Abbasov**, "LGBTQ+ Repression during Covid-19 Pandemic", *Global Human Rights Hub*.
- 2021 **Namig Abbasov**, "Global Backlash against Gay Rights: Why do States Repress Sexual Minorities?", *Global Human Rights Hub*.
- 2020 **Namig Abbasov**, Still Waters Run Deep: Federal, Regional, and Local Dimensions of Conflict in the North Caucasus. In *OSCE Yearbook 2019* (pp. 177-188). Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft mbH.
- 2020 **Namig Abbasov** and Emil Souleimanov, "Putin as Pyhrrus Russia in Syria and Libya", *Zeitschrift Osteuropa*, 70(6): 165-173.
- 2020 Emil Souleimanov and **Namig Abbasov**, Why Russia Has Not (Yet) Won Over Syria And Libya, *Middle East Policy*, 27(2): 81-93.
- 2015 **Namig Abbasov**, "Minsk Group Mediation Process in Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict: Explaining The Failure of Peace Talks", *Journal of Caspian Affairs*, 1(2): 59:76.
- 2015 **Namig Abbasov**, "The Crisis of Multiculturalism in the UK: Has It Failed?", *Caucasus International*, 5(1): 85-97.
- 2014 **Namig Abbasov**, "Iranian Foreign Policy Toward Azerbaijan: Ideology versus Pragmatism", *Journal of Qafqaz University*, 2(2): 139-146.

Honors, Awards, and Scholarships

- 2022 Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Northeastern Political Science Association
- 2022 International Studies Association Award, \$700
- 2022 ASU Graduate and Professional Student Association Award, \$950
- 2021 ASU SPGS Fellowship for Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, \$2,550
- 2020, 2021 ASU SPGS Article Completion Award, \$2000
- 2020, 2021 ASU Graduate College Award, \$1500
- 2019 Article Preregistration Prize awarded by Center for Open Science, Charlottesville, VA, \$1000
- 2018, 2020 ASU SPGS Summer Fellowship for ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, \$5500
- 2014-2015 Qafqaz University Full Tuition Fee Scholarship for MA at Keele University, UK, \$7500
- 2012 "Honorable Diploma of the First Place GPA" awarded by Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan
- 2011 Article Contest Winner, Ministry of Economic Development, Baku, Azerbaijan \$625
- 2009-2012 Merit-Based Qafqaz University Scholarship, Baku, Azerbaijan, \$500
- 2008-2012 Special Qafqaz University Scholarship based on Entrance Exam, Baku Azerbaijan, \$1000
- 2008-2012 Full Tuition Fee Scholarship awarded by Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan, \$8500

Computational Social Science Methods Training

- 2023 ICPSR II in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,MI
 - Courses: *Data Science and Text Analysis, Network Analysis II: Advanced Topics, Advanced Empirical Modeling, Categorical Data Analysis, Intro to Python* **scheduled**
- 2023 Mathematics for Machine Learning and Data Science Specialization, DeepLearning.AI
- 2021 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
 - Courses: *Multimethod research, Natural and Randomized Experiments, Social Media as Social Science Data, Computer Assisted Text Analysis, Re-thinking Small-N Comparisons*
- 2021 Joining the Data Revolution: Big Data in Education and Social Science Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,MI
- 2021 Python Programming for Non-Programming Social Scientists: Using Computational Notebooks and Python to tell your research story, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- 2020 ICPSR II in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, online
 - Courses: *Maximum Likelihood Estimation II: Advanced Topics, Panel Data and Longitudinal Analysis, Time Series Analysis II: Advanced Topics*
- 2020 Multilevel and Mixed Models Using Stata, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, online
- 2018 ICPSR I in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
 - Courses: *Regression III: Advanced Methods, Statistics and Data Analysis, Regression Analysis II: Linear Models*
- 2017 R Workshop for Ph.D. Students, Arizona State University, Tempe AZ
- 2017 Political Science Ph.D. Math Camp, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Conferences

- 2021, 2022, 2023 Panelist, Discussant, and Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2021, 2022 Panelist and Discussant, International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2021, 2022 Panelist, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2019-2022 Panelist, International Studies Association West
 - 2021 Panelist, Four Corners Annual Meeting
- 2020, 2022 Panelist, International Studies Association Midwest
 - 2016 Panelist, XI Silk Road International Conference, International Black Sea University, Tbilisi, Georgia
 - 2016 Panelist, IV International Young Researchers Conference, Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan
 - 2014 Panelist, Caucasus and Central Asia in Globalization Process, Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan
 - 2021 Discussant, Association for the Study of Nationalities Annual World Convention

Teaching Experience

- Summer 2023 Teaching Assistant, Matrix Algebra, Calculus, and Probability Review, *ICPSR Summer Program II, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI*
- Fall 2022 Instructor, POS/SGS 401 Political Statistics, *Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ*
- Fall 2021 Instructor, SGS 301 Principles of Global Studies, *Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ*
- Spring 2017 Instructor, Introduction to International Relations, *Baku Engineering University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- Spring 2017 Instructor, Introduction to Political Science, *Baku Engineering University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- Spring 2017 Instructor, Theories of International Relations, *Baku Engineering University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- 2016 Instructor, Foreign Policy Analysis and the Caucasus, *Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- 2016 Instructor, Introduction to International Relations, *Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- 2016 Instructor, Introduction to Political Science, *Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- 2016 Instructor, Theories of International Relations, *Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan*
- Spring 2023 Guest Lecturer, POS 350 Comparative Politics, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Spring 2022 Guest Lecturer, SGS 401 Political Statistics, Tempe, AZ
- Spring 2022 Guest Lecturer, POS 150 Comparative Government, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

- Fall 2020 Guest Lecturer, POS 300 Global Controversies, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Fall 2018 Guest Lecturer, POS 305 Conflict and Film, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Spring 2020 Teaching Assistant, SGS 350 Development and Globalization, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Spring 2019 Teaching Assistant, POS 301 Empirical Political Inquiry, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Fall 2019 Teaching Assistant, POS 394: Political Marketing, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, POS 486 International Political Economy, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

█ Fellowships, Work Replacement, and Internships

- April 2015 *Professional Fundraiser*, Oxfam GB, London, UK
- 2015 *Work replacement*, Dialogue Society, London, UK
- 2013–2014 *Research Fellow*, Qafqaz University, Baku, Azerbaijan
- August 2013 *Communication Intern*, United Nations Development Programme, Baku, Azerbaijan
- May 2012 *Intern*, European Union Delegation to Baku, Baku, Azerbaijan
- March 2012 *Intern*, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL), Baku, Azerbaijan
- August 2011 *Intern*, International Strategic Research Organization (USAK), Ankara, Turkey
- 2011 *Intern*, Center for Strategic Studies under President of Azerbaijan (SAM), Baku, Azerbaijan
- June 2010 *Intern*, International Conflicts Research Center (ICRC), Baku, Azerbaijan
- May 2010 *Intern*, Ombudsman Apparatus of Azerbaijan, Baku, Azerbaijan

█ Civil Society Training and Workshop

- 2015 London Forum on Nagorno-Karabakh, Azerbaijan-UK Alumni Association, London, UK
- 2014 Regional Cooperation for Peace and Stability, Caucasian House, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2013 TC European Citizens- Right Now!, EU Youth in Action, Chisinau, Moldova
- 2013 Training on Civic Activism and Gender Equality, UN Association of Georgia, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2012 EUROsimA (EU Simulation Game), Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey
- 2012 Post Arab Spring Middle East NISA School, Foreign Ministry of Azerbaijan, Baku, Azerbaijan
- 2011 American Studies Institute, U.S. Embassy, Baku, Azerbaijan
- 2010 III.Security Forum of South Caucasus, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Baku, Azerbaijan

█ Journal Review

- *Political Research Quarterly, Journal of Eurasian Studies, Central Asian Survey, Caucasus Survey*

█ Skills

- **Technical Skills:** R, Stata, Python, Latex, SPSS, Excel
- **Language:** *Azerbaijani*-native, *Turkish*-advanced, *Russian*-basic, *German*-basic

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