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**CURRENT POSITION:** *Professor of Geography, Oklahoma State University.*

**ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:** *Assistant Director, Office of International Programs, Kennesaw State University, 1992-95.*

*Graduate Advisor, Dept. of Geography, Oklahoma State University, 2004-2007.*

**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:**

*Visiting Fellow, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 2018.*

*Visiting Professor, Suleyman Demirel University, Kaskelen, Kazakhstan, 2012.*

*Visiting Fellow, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 2011.*

*Associate Professor of Geography, Oklahoma State University, 2001-2008.*

*Visiting Professor, Eurasian National University, Astana, Kazakhstan, 2008.*

*Visiting Professor, KIMEP, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 2005.*

*Visiting Professor, Samarkand State Institute of Foreign Languages, Samarkand, Uzbekistan, 1998.*

*Assistant Professor of Geography, Oklahoma State University, 1997-2001.*

*Visiting Professor, Summer Business School Program for Foreign Languages, Tashkent State Economics University, Charvak, Uzbekistan, 1996.*

*Visiting Professor and Fulbright  
Scholar, Tashkent State Economics  
University, Tashkent, Uzbekistan,  
1995.*

*Instructor and Assistant Professor of  
Geography, Kennesaw State University,  
1990-1997.*

**EDUCATION:** *University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas  
Doctor of Philosophy, December 1993, Geography*

**Dissertation Title:** *Glasnost, Islam and  
Nationalism: Uzbekistan in the Gorbachev and  
Post-Soviet Eras.*

*University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas  
Master of Arts, May 1988, Soviet and East  
European Studies*

*University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri  
Master of Arts, May 1984, Geography*

*University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri  
Bachelor of Arts, December 1981, Geography and  
Biology*

**RESEARCH**

**INTERESTS:** *Regional: Central Asia, former USSR.*

*Topical: Religious/Ethnic Identity, Political  
Geography, Geopolitics, Economic  
Development and Policy in Central  
Asia.*

**PUBLICATIONS**

*Refereed Articles  
and Book Chapters:*

Reuel R. Hanks, "Russian and Chinese  
Hard/Soft Power Projection in Kazakhstan:  
Challenge and Response." In *Soft Power in  
Central Asia: Politics of Influence and  
Seduction*, edited by Kirill Nourzhanov and  
Sebastien Peyrouse. Lanham, Maryland:  
Lexington Books, 2020.

Mukhit B. Assanbayev and Reuel R. Hanks,  
"Kazakhstan's Russian Diaspora: Between

Migration and Search of a New Identity." *Bulletin of the Kazakh National Academy of Sciences*, Vol.3, No. 385 (2020), 185-197.

Reuel R. Hanks, "Contours of Ethnonational Landscapes in Three Contemporary Cities in Kazakhstan: Perspectives of Youth Regarding National Identity," Central Asia Program, George Washington University, 2019.

Reuel R. Hanks and Bolat Tatibekov, "Labor Migration in Central Asia: Will Kazakhstan be the Anchor for Stability?" *Education About Asia*, 2018, pp. 7-13.

"A Usable Past: Public Culture, Eidilons, and 'Uzbekness' in Independent Uzbekistan." In *Urban Space, Place and National Identity*, edited by Joshua Hagen and Alexander C. Diener, Rowman and Littlefield, 2018, pp.89-100.

Bolat Tatibekov and Reuel R. Hanks, "Spatial Dynamics of Labor Migration in Kazakhstan," In *Eurasia on the Move: Interdisciplinary Approaches to a Dynamic Migration Region*, Edited by Marlene Laruelle and Caress Schenk, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., 2018, pp. 69-88.

"Narratives of Islam in Uzbekistan: authoritarian myths and the Janus-state syndrome." *Central Asian Survey*, Vol. 35, No. 4 (December 2016), 501-513.

"Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, Desecuritization, and Regional Security," in *Afghanistan and Its Neighbors After the NATO Withdrawal*, edited by Amin Saikal and Kirill Nourzhanov, Lexington Books, 2016, pp. 83-96.

"Ozbekchilik as an Ethnosymbolist Construct: Articulating the *Ethnie* in Uzbekistan," in *Area Studies in the Global Age: Community, Place, Identity*, edited by Edith Clowes and Shelly Bromberg, Northern Illinois University Press, 2016, pp. 256-267.

"Islamization and Civil Society in Central Asia: Religion as Substrate in Conflict Management and Social Stability," in *Civil Society and Politics in Central Asia*, edited by Charles Ziegler. University Press of Kentucky, 2015, pp. 59-80.

"A Global Crossroads Re-emerges in the 21st Century. An Introduction to Central Asia," *Education About Asia*, Vol. (Winter 2014, special issue on Central Asia).

"Samarkand: Political and Economic Hub Connecting East and West (1220-1660)," in *Places of Encounter*, edited by Aran and Elaine MacKinnon, Westview Press, 2012, pp.179-190.

"An Independent Kashmir: False Pathway to Peace and Stability in South Asia." ABC-CLIO, Ltd., 2012 (web-based publication).

"Crisis in Kyrgyzstan: Conundrums of Ethnic Conflict, National Identity, and State Cohesion," *Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies*, Vol. 13, No. 2, (2011), pp. 177-187.

"Rebuilding Afghanistan: Regional Challenges and Spatial Contingencies," (first co-author with Gregory Gleason) published in Italian in Elisa Giunchi (ed.), *La crisi afgana e il suo contesto regionale [The Afghan Crisis and its Regional Context]*, *Africa e Orienti*, No. 3-4, 2010.

"Afghanistan Reconstruction in Regional Perspective," (second coauthor with Gregory Gleason and Yuri Bosin), *Central Asian Survey*, Vol. 28, No. 3, September 2009, pp. 375-387.

"Multi-vector Politics and Kazakhstan's Emerging Role as a Geo-strategic Player in Central Eurasia," *Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies*, Vol. 11, No. 3, pp. 257-

267.

"Dynamics of Islam, Identity, and Institutional Rule in Uzbekistan: Constructing a Paradigm for Conflict Resolution," *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*, Vol. 40, No. 2 (June 2007), pp. 209-221.

"The New North-South Foreign Policy Design" (first co-author with Gregory Gleason), *Central Asia's Affairs: Quarterly Analytical Review*, April 2007.

"Muslims at the Crossroads: An Introductory Survey of Historical and Contemporary Aspects of Islam in Central Asia," *Education About Asia*, Vol. 10, No. 3, pp. 39-42

"Repression as Reform: Islam in Uzbekistan during the Early Glasnost Era," *Religion, State and Society*, Vol. 29, No.2, pp. 1-13.

"Emerging Spatial Patterns of the Demographics, Labor Force and FDI in Uzbekistan," *Central Asian Survey*, Vol. 19, Nos. 3-4, pp. 351-366.

"A Separate Space? Karakalpak Nationalism and Devolution in post-Soviet Uzbekistan." *Europe-Asia Studies*, Vol. 52, No. 5, 2000, pp. 939-953.

"Islam, Politics and Identity in Uzbekistan: Political and Cultural Landscapes in Central Asia's Lynchpin State." *Arab World Geographer* 2 (3): pp. 220-233.

"Civil Society and Identity in Uzbekistan: The Emergent Role of Islam." In *Civil Society in Central Asia*, edited by M. Holt Ruffin and Daniel Waugh, University of Washington Press, 1999, pp. 158-179.

"Directions in the Ethnic Politics of Kazakhstan: Concession, Compromise, or Catastrophe?" *Journal of Third World Studies*, Vol. XV, No. 1 (Spring 1998), pp. 143-162.

"The Islamic Factor in Nationalism and

Nation-Building in Uzbekistan: Causative Agent or Inhibitor?", *Nationalities Papers*, Vol. 22, No. 2 (Fall, 1994), pp. 309-324.

*Non-refereed*

*Articles and Book Chapters:*

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," in *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2017*, (Routledge, 2017).

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," in *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2016*, (Routledge, 2016).

*How Are Developed States Responsible for Islands Hurt by Climate Change?* Reuel R. Hanks, *Analyze*, (web publication) ABC-CLIO Ltd. July 1, 2016.

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," in *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2015*, (Routledge, 2015).

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," in *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2014*, (Routledge, 2014).

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," for *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2013*, (Routledge, 2013).

"Uzbekistan-Politics," and "Uzbekistan-Economy," in *Europe, Russia and Central Asia, 2012*, (Routledge, 2012).

"Regional Electricity Integration: Panacea for Central Asia's Economic Woes?" (first co-author with Gregory Gleason) *Eurasianet*, December 6, 2006.

"Religion and Law in Uzbekistan: Renaissance and Repression in an Authoritarian Context," in *Regulating Religion: Case Studies From Around the Globe*, James T. Richardson, ed.

New York: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2004, pp.319-330.

"The Academy Amid Authoritarianism: Challenges in the Democratization of Higher Education in Uzbekistan," *Conference Proceedings, Democracy and Education Conference*, Kyiv, Ukraine, June 1-2, 2001, pp.72-77.

"The 'Fundamentalist' Threat to Uzbekistan: Crisis or Chimera?" *Analyst* (web journal), Bi-Weekly Briefing, August 30, 2000.

*Books:*

*Gravity Model of Ethnic Migration and its Manifestation in Kazakhstan*. Bolat Tatibekov and Reuel R. Hanks. Kaskelen, Kazakhstan, 2017.

*The Handbook of Politics of Central Asia*, co-edited with Dilshod Achilov, (forthcoming, 2018, Routledge Press).

*An Historical Dictionary of Uzbekistan*, (forthcoming, 2018, Scarecrow Press).

*Handbook of Geography Terms, Themes and Concepts*, Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, Ltd., 2011.

*Global Security Watch: Central Asia*, Santa Barbara, Denver and Oxford: Praeger Security International 2010.

*Central Asia: A Global Studies Handbook*, Santa Barbara, Denver and Oxford: ABC-CLIO, Ltd., 2005.

*Spain*, (co-author with Zok Pavlovic), London: Chelsea House Publishers, 2006.

*Uzbekistan: World Bibliographical Series*, London: ABC-CLIO, Ltd., 1999.

*Geographic Perspectives: Culture, Environment & the Global Economy*, coauthored with Eric Fournier, Kendall Hunt, 1995.

*Contemporary Issues in Geography* (A reader for introductory human geography), Kendall

Hunt, 1993.

*Book Reviews:*

*Central Asia in World History*, by Peter Golden. *Education About Asia*, Vol. 16, No.3,74.

*Islam in Post-Uzbekistan: The Morality of Experience*, by Johan Rasanayagam. *Region*, Vol.1, No.1.

Neil J. Melvin, *Uzbekistan: Transition to Authoritarianism on the Silk Road*. Amsterdam: Harwood Academic Publishers, 2000, xv +129 pp. *Europe-Asia Studies*, Vol. 53, No. 4, pp. 648-650.

*Central Asia and the Caucasus After the Soviet Union: Domestic and International Dynamics*, edited by Mohiaddin Mesbahi, (Gainesville, Fl.: University Press of Florida, 1994). (*Russian History/Histoire Russe*, Vol. 21, No.2, pp. 223-225).

Ahmed Rashid, *The Resurgence of Central Asia: Islam or Nationalism?*, (Atlantic Highlands, NJ: Zed Books, 1994). (*Nationalities Papers*, Vol. 24, No.1, pp. 157-158).

Peter Ferdinand, ed., *The New States of Central Asia and Their Neighbors*, (New York: Council on Foreign Relations Press, 1994). (*Third World Quarterly*, Vol.19, No.1, p.160).

*Video Review:* "Bride Kidnapping in Kyrgyzstan," reviewed in *Education About Asia*, Vol. 11, No. 1 (Spring 2006).

*Encyclopedia*

*Entries, etc.:* Articles on Russia, Ukraine, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Belarus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova and Afghanistan for the World Regional Geography website offered by ABC-CLIO, Ltd. This material represents



approximately 45,000 words (2800 words for each entry).

Questions for the Test Bank and ARIS Material for Bradshaw, et al., *Essentials of World Geography*, 1<sup>st</sup> edition, McGraw Hill Publishers, (360 multiple choice questions, 40 True/False questions).

Entry on "Kashmir" for the *Analysis* section of ABC-CLIO's World Regional Geography website (1500 words).

Entry on "The Imperial Russian Period in Central Asia" for the *World History Encyclopedia* (online version), ABC-CLIO. Ltd. (approximately 1500 words).

Entries on "Kazakhstan," "Turkmenistan," "Tajikistan," "Kyrgyzstan" and "Uzbekistan," *Encyclopedia Britannica*.

"Uzbekistan," "Kazakhstan," and "Central Asia: Geography and Economy," *Encyclopedia of the Developing World*.

"Khyber Pass," *World Book Encyclopedia*.

"Avicenna," "Ibn Batutta," "al-Biruni," "Babur," "Birlik," in the *Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian and Soviet History*.

"The Uzbeks," in *An Ethnohistorical Dictionary of the Russian and Soviet Empires*, James S. Olson, Ed., (Greenwood Press, 1994), pp. 706-717.

#### **GRANTS :**

Fellowship, Central Asia Program, George Washington University, \$2500, 2017

Visiting Fellowship, Australian National University, (\$11,000), 2017.

"Afghanistan and Central Asia: Regional Security Dynamics in a New Strategic Environment." Australian Research Council(\$318,200 AUD), co-PI, 2012-2014.

Embassy Policy Specialist (Kazakhstan), IREX,

approximately \$5000 in support, 2012.

Visiting Fellowship, Australian National University, (\$9000,) 2011.

Arts and Sciences Research Grant Plus One, Oklahoma State University (\$6200) plus \$1000 travel funding, 2008.

IREX, "The North-South Project: the Politics of Infrastructure in Eurasia and the Middle East," co-PI, \$30,000, 2005.

National Council for Eurasian and Eastern European Research, \$3000, 2005.

Fellowship, Policy Seminars on Central Asia, Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution, George Mason University, 2005.

Principal Investigator, University and College Partnerships Grant, funded by United States Department of State (\$409,579), 1998-2003.

Arts and Sciences Research Grant, Oklahoma State University (\$4788), 2001.

\$500 research grant awarded by the Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of Texas, 2000.

Dean's Incentive Grant, Oklahoma State University, (\$3000), 1999.\_

Dean's Incentive Grant, Oklahoma State University, (\$3000), 1998.

Arts and Sciences Research Grant, Oklahoma State University (\$4000), 1998.

Arts and Sciences Grant for Instructional Improvement, Oklahoma State University, (\$9,900), 1997.

Program Director, Fulbright-Hayes Faculty Development Project, *Uzbekistan in the Post-Soviet Context*, funded by U.S Dept. of Education (\$51,700), 1996-97.

Fulbright Scholarship, Tashkent State Economics University (\$17,000), 1995.

**SERVICE TO THE  
PROFESSION:**

Editor, *Journal of Central Asian Studies*,  
1996--present.

President, Post-Communist Systems  
Section, International Studies Association,  
2012.

Vice President, Post-Communist Systems  
Section, International Studies Association,  
2009-2012.

Editorial Board, *Arab World Geographer*,  
from May 2012.

Program Co-Chair for Post-Communist Studies  
section, International Studies Association,  
2009-2010.

Program Chair for Post-Communist Studies  
section, International Studies Association,  
2008-2009.

Editorial Board, *Journal of Balkan and Near  
Eastern Studies* (formerly the *Journal of  
Southern Europe and the Balkans*), from June  
2008.

Selection Committee Reader for Fulbright  
Scholarships, New York, 2007.

Selection Committee Reader for U.S.  
Department of Education, NRC and FLAS  
programs, (Caucasus and Eurasia) 2003.

Selection Committee Reader for IREX  
Contemporary Issues Program, (Kyrgyzstan),  
2002.

Selection Committee Reader for IREX  
Contemporary Issues Program, (Uzbekistan),  
2001.

Selection Committee Reader for IREX  
Contemporary Issues Program, (Uzbekistan),  
2000.

Editor, *AACAR Bulletin*, newsletter of the  
Association for the Advancement of Central  
Asian Research, 1991-1995.

Book Review Editor, *Nationalities Papers*,  
1992-1995.

**PROFESSIONAL  
PRESENTATIONS:**

"Interrogating Islamic Landscapes in Kazakhstan: Articulating Spatial Parameters from Recent Field Work," (presentation by Taylor Iberosi). SWAAG meeting, San Antonio, November 6th, 2015.

Chair of panel, "Uzbekistan in 2015: Domestic and Foreign Policies," The First Uzbekistan Initiative Workshop, Elliot School of International Studies, George Washington University, April 6, 2015.

"Of Myths and Mullahs: Narratives of Authoritarianism and Islam in Central Asia," presented at the 5th Annual Lang Symposium, University of Louisville, March 28, 2015.

"Is Geography Really Destiny? The "New Silk Road" Initiative and NeoMacKinderism," presented at the 56th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 20, 2015.

"Fissures in Kazakhstan's Multi-ethnic Ethos: Framing An Identityscape Through an Exploration of Regional and Ethnic Perspectives of Youth," presented at the 56th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 19, 2015.

"Encountering the "Debated and Debatable:" Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, Desecuritization and Regional Security," Australian National University, November 28, 2014.

"Ethnic Identity in Kazakhstan: Emerging Identityscapes Based on Recent Fieldwork," presented with Avonlea Keenen at the Race, Ethnicity and Place conference, Fort Worth, October 23, 2014.

"New Silk Roads and Regional Security: Can Energy Integration Stabilize Central Asia?," presented at the University of Buenos Aires, FLASCO-ISA joint international conference, July 23, 2014.

"A Usable Past: The Symbology of Public Culture and Reappropriation of Communal Space in Defining "Uzbekness," presented at the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Tampa, April 9, 2014.

"Migration of the Population in the Republic of Kazakhstan: Challenges and Possible Variants of Their Settlement," co-presented with Bolat Tatibekov, at the 55th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Toronto, March 26, 2014.

"Ethno-symbolism and *Ozbekchilik*: The Modern and Traditional in Transmutation of Identity in Uzbekistan." 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, San Diego, April 4, 2012.

"Ethnic Conflict and National Identity Policy in Kyrgyzstan: Is There a Path Forward?" 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention International Studies Association, San Diego, April 4, 2012.

Chair, panel on "Emerging Powers and Old Powers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention International Studies Association, San Diego, April 4, 2012.

"*Oltin Meros* and the Territorialization of Memory in Uzbek National Identity," Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, Australian National University, November 17, 2011.

"*Oltin Meros* and the Territorialization of Memory in Uzbek National Identity," (Keynote Address), Conference on "Identity and Community After the Cold War Era, University of Kansas, August 27, 2011.

Chair and Organizer, "Regional Dynamism in Central Asia: Are There Winners and Losers?" Third Global International Studies Conference, University of Porto, Porto, Portugal, August 17, 2011.

"Emerging Identityscapes in Southern Kazakhstan: Contours of Interethnic Attitudes Among Youth," University of Kansas, March 29,

2011.

Discussant, "From Moscow to Where? Explaining Multivector Foreign Policies in the Post-Soviet Space," 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Montreal, March 18, 2011.

Participant, Roundtable on "The Conflict in Afghanistan: Consequences for Global Governance and Regional Security," 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Montreal, March 17, 2011.

"Territorialization and Security in the Heartland: Kashmir as Gateway to Stability in Eurasia," 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Montreal, March 16, 2011.

Chair, "Iran's U235 Program and Eurasian Regional Security," 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Montreal, March 16, 2011.

Presentation on the Caucasus and Central Asia, "Great Decisions" class, Stillwater Public Library, March 1, 2011.

"Religio-Cultural Landscapes and National Identity in Contemporary Southern Kazakhstan," presented at AACaPS Tenth Biennial Conference, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, Australian National University, February 4, 2011.

"Islamization and Civil Society in Central Asia: Religion as Substrate in Conflict Management and Social Stability." Workshop On Civil Society in Kazakhstan and Central Asia, Kennan Institute, Washington, D.C., January 20-21, 2011.

"Border Dynamics and Political Geography in Central Eurasia: Themes in Decolonization, Modernization, and Regionalization," presented at the conference "De-Areanization

of Border Studies: The "Greater Eurasia" and its Neighbours," Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan, December 4, 2010.

"Spatial Dynamics of Labor Migration in Contemporary Kazakhstan," (With Bolat Tatibekov) Association of American Geographers (AAG), Washington D.C., April 14, 2010.

"Russian Geopolitical Interests in Central Asia: Motives, Methods, and "Success." 51<sup>st</sup> meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 19, 2010.

"Contours of Religio-Cultural Landscapes in Contemporary Southern Kazakhstan," 51<sup>st</sup> meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 17, 2010.

Chair of panel, "Energy Politics in the Eurasian Space," International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2010.

"Sustainability and Ecotourism in Central Asia," National Council for Geographic Education, San Juan, Puerto Rico, September 24, 2009.

"Diversity, Security, Islam and Identity Politics in Uzbekistan," presented at the joint conference of the Brazilian International Relations Association and International Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro, July 23, 2009.

Chair and discussant for the panels "Geopolitics of Central Asia," and "Democracy and Human Rights in Post-Soviet Context," 50th meeting of the International Studies Association, New York, February 17, 2009.

"Urban Development Along the Silk Road," presented at the conference "Dynamics and Revival of the Silk Route: Perspective,

Challenges and Opportunities," University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

"Geopolitics and Realignment of Uzbek Foreign Relations" (co-authored with Houman Sadri), 2<sup>nd</sup> Global International Studies Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 26, 2008.

Chair of panel, "Dimensions of Cooperative Security in Eurasia," 2<sup>nd</sup> Global International Studies Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 26, 2008.

"'Many Things Remarkable': Spatial Context and Geographical Perception in John Milton's *A Brief History of Moscovia*" (co-Authored with Oydin Uzakova), Ninth International Milton Symposium, University of London, July 8, 2008.

"Environmental Activism and Civil Society: Is Past Prologue?," presented at workshop for International Training, UNDP, Astana, Kazakhstan, May 28, 2008.

"'Multi-vector Politics' and Kazakhstan's Emerging Role as a Geo-strategic Player in Central Eurasia," 49<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 26, 2008.

"The Political Dimensions of Electricity and Energy Development in Central Asia," 49<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 26, 2008.

"The New North-South Foreign Policy Design" co-presented (with Greg Gleason) at the annual meeting of the American Association for Slavic Studies, New Orleans, November 18, 2007.

"Re-Islamization and the "Identity Paradox" in Uzbekistan: Religion, Radicals and Repression in the Heart of Central Asia,"



conference on *Nationalism and National Identities Today: Multidisciplinary Perspectives*, University of Surrey, June 13, 2007.

"Identity Landscapes in Central Asia: Islam, Geopolitics and the Policy Conundrum," International Studies Association, Chicago, March 1, 2007.

Discussant, "Building Tolerant Civil Society in Tajikistan: 10 Years after Civil War," International Studies Association, Chicago, March 1, 2007.

"Identity, 'Islams' and Political Geography in Central Asia," National Council for Geographic Education, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, October 7, 2006.

"Dividing Lines: The Integration of Transnational Infrastructure," presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Russian International Studies Association, MIGMO, Moscow, September 22, 2006.

"Political Geography in Steppe: Demographic Dynamics, Power and State Cohesion in Emergent Kazakhstan," presented at the international conference *Central Asia in Retrospect and Prospect*, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, India, August 29, 2006.

Discussant and Organizer, "Shadows of Empire: The Emerging Politics of Identity and Nationalism in Central Eurasia," International Studies Association, March 21-25, 2006, San Diego.

*Geographical Perspectives on Globalization: The View From Central Asia*, Second National Fulbright Conference, sponsored by the Embassy of the United States, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, March 17, 2006.

*Dynamics of Islam, Identity, and Institutional Rule in Uzbekistan: Constructing a*

*Paradigm for Conflict Resolution* (revised), Seminar on Policy and Conflict in Central Asia, George Mason University, October 14, 2005.

Roundtable: *Political and Economic Aspects of Eurasian Integration*. International Studies Association--West Regional Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005.

*Contours of Islamic Religiosity in Uzbekistan: Some Preliminary Insights into an Emerging Religio-Cultural Landscape*. Presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the European Society for Central Asian Studies, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, September 14, 2005.

*Gerrymandering and Spatial Politics in the Shaping of Kazakhstan's Political Geography: A Critical Assessment in the Context of Reterritorialization*. Hawaii International Conference on the Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 15, 2005.

*Dynamics of Islam, Identity, and Institutional Rule in Uzbekistan: Constructing a Paradigm for Conflict Resolution*, Seminar on Policy and Conflict in Central Asia, George Mason University, May 5, 2005.

*Radical Islam in Uzbekistan: Issues of Policy And Conflict in Central Asia's Keystone State*. Seminar on Policy and Conflict in Central Asia, George Mason University, February 12, 2005.

*Trading Spaces: Security and the Re-organization of Political Space in Kazakhstan*. AAASS 36<sup>th</sup> National Meeting Boston, Massachusetts, December 4, 2004

*Do radical Islamic groups pose a serious challenge to regional regimes in Central Asia?* Conference on Central Asia, (closed conference sponsored by DFI International), Washington, DC, July 29, 2003.

*Globalization and Emergent Cultural Identity in Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan*, Conference on the Humanities, University of the Aegean, Rhodes, Greece, July 5, 2003.

*Identity Crisis? "Islams" and Central Asia's Materializing Political Geography*, presented as part of the conference "Muslim Cultures Along the Silk Roads: China and Central Asia," University of Kansas, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

"The Geography of AIDS in Africa: Current Crisis, Future Dilemma," Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, February 28, 2003.

"Religion and Law in Uzbekistan: Renaissance and Repression in the Authoritarian Context," Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

"Islam and Youth in Contemporary Uzbekistan: A Preliminary Assessment," presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, (AAASS) Washington, D.C., November 17, 2001.

Chair and Discussant, "Players and Politics in the New Central Asia: Reassessing the Stage," 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the AAASS, Washington, D.C., November 15, 2001.

"Islam, Law and Society in Uzbekistan: Law in Action or Lawless Actions?," 2001 Joint Meeting of the Law and Society Association and the Research Committee on Sociology of Law (ISA), Budapest, Hungary, July 7, 2001.

"The Academy Amid Authoritarianism: Challenges in the Democratization of Higher Education in Uzbekistan," Democracy and Education Conference, sponsored by Montclair State University and Kirovograd State Pedagogical University, Kiev, Ukraine, June 2, 2001.

"Islam in Uzbekistan," Conference on "Islam in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," Georgia Southern University, April 9, 2001.

"The Aral Sea: Legacy of Disaster," Conference on Central Asia and the Middle East III, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Georgia, April 7, 2000.

"Environmental Issues in Central Asia,"  
Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado,  
March 22, 2000.

"Religious Space and Sacred Place: Islamic  
Religiosity in post-Soviet Uzbekistan,"  
Meeting of the Association of Third World  
Studies, San Jose, Costa Rica, November 19,  
1999.

"Fundamentalism or 'Glasnost?' A Preliminary  
Study of the Religious Landscape in  
Uzbekistan." Meeting of the American Asso-  
ciation of Geographers, Honolulu, Hawaii,  
March 23, 1999.

"Environmental Issues in Central Asia,"  
Conference on *The Environment: World  
Perspectives*, University of Kansas, February  
20, 1999.

"A Separate Space? Karakalpak Nationalism in  
Post-Soviet Uzbekistan." Meeting of the  
American Association for the Advancement of  
Slavic Studies (AAASS), Boca Raton, Florida,  
September 27, 1998.

"Civil Society and Identity in Uzbekistan:  
The Emergent Role of Islam," Conference on  
Civil Society in Central Asia, Paul H. Nitze  
School of International Studies, Washington,  
D.C., March 30, 1998.

"Regional Aspects of Demographics and  
Development in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan,"  
94<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Association of American  
Geographers, Boston, Massachusetts, March  
March 28, 1998.

"Challenges to Development in Emergent  
Uzbekistan," Conference on Central Asia,  
Georgia Southern University, February 13,  
1998.

"National Identity in Uzbekistan," Confer-  
ence on "The Revival of Central Asian  
Culture," Oklahoma State University, March  
21, 1997.

"Directions in the Ethnic Politics of  
Kazakhstan: Concession, Compromise, or  
Catastrophe?," Fourteenth Annual Meeting  
of the Association of Third World Studies,

Troy State University, October 3, 1996.

"How Many Uzbekistans? Regional Identity in the Uzbek State," 1st Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, Columbia University, April 26, 1996.

"Islam and Political Evolution in Uzbekistan: How Long the Status Quo?," Fourth International Geographical Conference on the Muslim World, Al al-Bayt University, Mafrag, Jordan, December 19, 1995.

"A Geographer's Perspective on Uzbekistan," The State Institute on Development, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, October 5, 1995.

"Islam in Central Asia," The Islamic World Conference, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, March 28, 1995.

"Kazakhstan's Geopolitical Position and US Foreign Policy," guest lecture at the Kazakh University of Management, Almaty, Kazakhstan, December 16, 1994.

"Economic History of Central Asia and the Middle East," presented at the workshop "The Disunion of the Soviet Union and Relations with the Middle East," Indiana University, April 22, 1994.

**WORKSHOPS:**

Central Asia: History, Geography, & Culture: A Workshop for Secondary Teachers. Emory University, February 9-10, 1996. Co-Director and Presenter.

Geography of Russia and the Soviet Successor States: A Workshop for Secondary Teachers. Emory University, February 26-27, 1993. Director and Presenter.

**PROFESSIONAL**

**ORGANIZATIONS:**

AAG (American Association of Geographers)

AAASS (American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies)

AACAR (Association for the Advancement of  
Central Asian Research), (member of  
Executive Council)

ISA (International Studies Association)

ATWS (Association of Third World Studies)

MESA (Middle East Studies Association)

Political Geography Specialty Group (AAG  
Affiliate)

**HONORS:** *Humphreys Endowed Chair in International Studies,  
College of Arts and Sciences, 2014--present.*

*Outstanding Professor, awarded by the Arts &  
Sciences Student Council, Oklahoma State  
University, April 23, 2010.*

*Phi Beta Delta, inducted November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004.*

*Distinguished Teaching Award, National Council for  
Geographic Education, July 1, 2003.*

*ASFC Junior Faculty Award for Scholarly  
Excellence, Oklahoma State University, October 2,  
2000.*

*Fulbright Scholarship, Tashkent State Economics  
University, Uzbekistan, 1995.*

*NEH Institute Fellowship, South Asian Civilization  
and Culture, East-West Center, University of  
Hawaii, Summer, 1994.*

*Fulbright-Hayes Faculty Development Program,  
Tanzania, Summer 1992.*

*Runner-up, Graduate Student Award, Soviet  
Specialty Group, (AAG)1989.*

*FLAS (Foreign Languages and Area Studies)  
Fellowship, University of Kansas, 1989-90, (ranked  
first among all recipients).*

*Outstanding Russian Language Student-Advanced  
Level, University of Kansas, 1989.*

*FLAS Fellowship, University of Kansas, 1988-89.*

*Summer Dissertation Fellowship, University of Kansas, 1988.*

*Outstanding Russian Language Student-Intermediate Level, University of Kansas, 1986.*

*Outstanding Russian Language Student-Introductory Level, University of Kansas, 1985.*

*Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Missouri, 1984.*

**LANGUAGES:** Russian (speaking and reading); Uzbek (reading); German (reading).

**INTERNATIONAL**

**TRAVEL:**

**Japan, 2010**

**Brazil, 2009**

**Uzbekistan, Slovenia, Croatia, 2008**

**India: 2006, 2008**

**Turkmenistan, 2006**

**Kazakhstan, 2005, 2006, 2008**

**Poland, 2005**

**Uzbekistan, 2004**

**Greece, 2003**

**Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, 2002**

**Uzbekistan, 1996-2001 (5 extended visits)**

**Ukraine, Hungary, 2001**

**Costa Rica, 1999**

**Middle East (Turkey, Jordan, Israel), 1995**

**Uzbekistan (four months in residency), 1995**

**Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, 1994**

**Tanzania**, 1992

**Pakistan, China (P.R.C.)**, 1987

**Canada**, 1986

**Soviet Union**, 1985

**East Asia** (Japan, P.R.C., South Korea), 1983

**Europe**, (20 countries), 1976