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Ph.D.-trained sociologist from Columbia University with over 12 years of research experience specializing in gender, sexuality, and disability studies. Expertise in both qualitative and quantitative research methodologies, including survey design, statistical analysis, qualitative data analysis, and mixed-methods approaches. Skilled in project management, IRB compliance, and utilizing tools such as MAXqda, NVivo, and R. Committed to advancing insights that inform social policy, scholarship, and advocacy.

## Employment

**Columbia University** New York, NY  
Research Fellow at Insite Institute 2024

**New York University** New York, NY  
Lecturer in Applied Statistics, Social Sciences, and Humanities 2024

## Education

**Columbia University**  
PhD in Sociology New York, NY  
Dissertation Co-Chairs: Prof. Shamus Khan and Gil Eyal 2017 - 2024

**Columbia University**  
MA in Sociology New York, NY  
Prof. Shamus Khan Sept 2017 - Dec 2019

**University of Chicago**  
MA in Social Sciences Chicago, IL  
Prof. Sharon Hicks-Bartlett 2015 - 2016

**National Research University Higher School of Economics**  
BA in Sociology Moscow, RU  
Prof. Elena Rozhdestvenskaya 2007 - 2011

## Peer-Reviewed Papers

**Asya Tsaturyan**, “[Emergence of Political Homophobia: Anti-LGBTQ+ and Anti-Ukrainian Sentiment in Russian Public Opinion](#)” (*Socius*, 2024)

## Working Papers

**Asya Tsaturyan** “Strategic Traditionalism: The Role of the Russian State in Shaping the Global Anti-Liberal Discourse on Gender and Sexuality”  
**Asya Tsaturyan** “What Does the Russian Public Think? Views on Homosexuality, Abortion, and the Regime’s Equation of LGBTQ with Foreign influence.” (*working paper*)  
**Asya Tsaturyan** “Models Of Disability and Lived Experience: Case Study of Families With Children with Disabilities” (*in progress*)  
**Asya Tsaturyan, Elena Rozhdestvenskaya**, “Family Memory and Ethnic-Gender Identity: Armenian Immigrants in Russia” (*in progress*)

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| Honors and<br>scholarships | Institute for Humane Studies Grant   | 2023         |
|                            | Department of Sociology Research Grant, Columbia University  | 2023         |
|                            | Department of Sociology Research Grant, Columbia University  | 2022         |
|                            | Carnegie/Harriman Research Grant   | 2021         |
|                            | Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellow  | (2017-2022)  |
|                            | Luys Foundation Scholarship  | (2015-2016)  |
| Research Experience        | <b>The Levada Center (Qualitative Research Analyst)</b>  | 2011–2015    |
|                            | <p>*Designed and implemented qualitative research projects utilizing focus groups, in-depth interviews, participant observation, and ethnographic field methods to explore organizational dynamics, and societal trends.</p> <p>*Conducted rigorous data analysis using coding frameworks, discourse analysis, and thematic analysis to identify patterns and develop actionable insights.</p> <p>*Worked with interdisciplinary teams to triangulate qualitative findings with quantitative data, enhancing the depth and reliability of research conclusions.</p> <p>*Prepared and delivered comprehensive reports and presentations tailored to stakeholders, translating complex findings into strategic recommendations.</p> <p>*Led fieldwork initiatives in diverse environments, ensuring methodological rigor while adapting to dynamic and culturally specific contexts.</p> |              |
| Teaching experience        | <b>Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology (Columbia University)</b>   |              |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Social World (intro into Sociology)  | Fall 2018    |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Social World (intro into Sociology)  | Spring 2018  |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Social World (intro into Sociology)  | Fall 2022,   |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Social World (intro into Sociology)  | Fall 2023,   |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Gender and Work   | Spring 2021  |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Gender and Work   | Spring 2023  |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Gender and Work   | Spring 2024  |
|                            | Teaching Assistant, The Sociology of Schools and Teaching  | Fall 2021    |
| Presentations              | Strategic Traditionalism: The Russian State’s Discourse on Gender and Sexuality  | October 2024 |
|                            | ”Strategic Traditionalism in Russia: Antagonistic Public Opinion on Gender and Sexuality”  | June 2023    |
|                            | <i>29th Annual Conference of the Council of European Studies</i>   |              |
|                            | ”Conflicting Views on Homosexuality and Abortion in Russia: The Role of Strategic Traditionalism and Anti-Western Sentiments”  | Aug 2023     |
|                            | <i>ASA, Annual Meeting 2023</i>  |              |
|                            | ”Strategic Homophobia and the Role of a State in the Anti-Liberal Shift in World Culture”  | Aug 2021     |
|                            | <i>ASA, Annual Meeting 2021</i>  |              |

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|                       | Models of Disability and Lived Experience: Case Study of Families with Children with Developmental Disabilities<br><i>Impairment in the Social World</i>  | March 2018  |
| Professional Services | <b>Columbia University, Department of Sociology</b><br>Co-Coordinator, Workshop on Gender and Sexuality<br>Co-Coordinator, Women in Academia Series   | 2017 - 2023 |
| Memberships           | <b>Member, American Sociological Association</b><br>Section Member: Sex and Gender; Global and Transnational Sociology<br>Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies<br>Council for European Studies (CES) | 2017 -      |
| Languages             | Russian (native), English (fluent), R, ATLAS.ti, MaxQDA   |             |