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EDUCATION

Brown University

Master of Public Affairs, Watson School of International and Public Affairs

- Recipient, Watson Military Service Scholarship

Bachelor of Arts, Slavic Studies, GPA 3.8

- Member, Dobro Slovo National Slavic Honors Society

Providence, RI

Jun 2025 to May 2026

Sep 2021 to May 2025

Middlebury College

Middlebury, VT

- Study abroad at Nazarbayev University, Kazakhstan (spring 2024) on the Cason Scholarship
- Russian Summer Immersion Program, 2023 and 2024

EXPERIENCE

Brown University, International Peace and Security

Providence, RI

Web Development Consultant & Managing Editor

Jun 2026 to Present

- Designed and built ipeaceandsecurity.org, home of International Peace and Security, a graduate publication of policy briefs from the MPA course Dimensions of International Security.
- Manage the editorial and production pipeline for 15 policy briefs and a student editorial board as Managing Editor, and maintain the automated news wire (UN, AP, Crisis Group).
- Rebuilt digital-peacebuilding.com for Brown's Digital Peacebuilding course with site-wide search and a full ADA accessibility overhaul, and handle its design, hosting, deployment, and performance.

Brown University & Boston Main Streets Foundation

Providence, RI

Policy-in-Action Project Analyst

Dec 2025 to May 2026

- Analyzed Boston's mobile vending program with the Boston Main Streets Foundation and the City's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, and designed a zone-based pilot to replace fixed-site vendor assignment.
- Built bostonfoottraffic.com, a research map covering 667 million foot-traffic visits with an ADA accessibility classification, and recommended 14 push cart sites for the pilot.
- Adopted by the City of Boston, whose Office of Small Business confirmed by letter that the heat maps now inform vendor siting, with a pilot site slated for the FY27 push cart program.
- Awarded the Policy in Action Project Award by the Watson School, May 2026.

United States Marine Corps

Maintenance Operations Manager, Satellite and Radio Communications

Mar 2016 to Jun 2021

- Managed a 60-person maintenance team and a \$200M+ equipment portfolio as head of maintenance on a six-month overseas assignment, holding equipment availability above 80% across multinational operations.
- Designed troubleshooting protocols that cut satellite and radio failures 60% and raised uptime 20%.
- Cut annual maintenance costs by \$500,000 through asset audits and 3-D printed replacement components.
- Restored satellite communications for a 20,000-person organization, reviving a time-sensitive operation that had been canceled.
- Held a Secret security clearance, with assignments in Japan, Korea, and Thailand.

PROJECTS

Leksika and Soyle, iOS Apps (Side Projects)

App Store

- Two iPhone apps for passive Russian and Kazakh vocabulary learning, built solo in Swift/SwiftUI.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Web and development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript/TypeScript, responsive and accessible design, Astro, Git/GitHub, Cloudflare (Pages, Workers, D1)

Programming and analytics: Python (NumPy, pandas, SciPy), Swift/SwiftUI, SQL, statistical analysis; Claude and Claude Code for AI pair programming and automation

Languages: Spanish (fluent), Russian (fluent), English (native)

Interests: Figure skating, scuba diving, animal shelter volunteering, ocean cleanups