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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Croft Assistant Professor of Sociology and International Studies, University of Mississippi,  
2016-present

Postdoctoral Fellow, Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES), supported by the  
University of Chile and the Catholic University of Chile, 2014-2016

### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology and Peace Studies (Gender Studies minor), University of Notre Dame, 2014

Dissertation: *Esperanto, Civility, and the Politics of Fellowship:  
A Cosmopolitan Movement from the Eastern European Periphery*  
Committee: Omar Lizardo (chair), Lyn Spillman,  
Robert Fishman, and Ann Mische

M.A., Sociology, University of Notre Dame, 2010

M.A., Foreign Languages and Literatures, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2004

B.A. (magna cum laude), French Philology/French Studies, University of Sofia, 2001

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING AREAS

Collective behavior and social movements, Comparative and historical sociology,  
Culture, European Studies, Gender, Globalization and transnationalism, Language, Peace,  
war/violence and social conflict, Political sociology, Research methods, and Theory

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

Velitchkova, Ana. 2015. "World Culture, Uncoupling, Institutional Logics, and Recoupling:  
Practices and Self-identification as Institutional Microfoundations of Political Violence."  
*Sociological Forum* 30(3): 698-720.

Velitchkova, Ana, Jackie Smith, and Austin Choi-Fitzpatrick. 2009. "Windows on the Ninth  
World Social Forum in Belém." *Societies without Borders* 4:193-208.

Smith, Jackie, Jeffrey Juris, and the Social Forum Research Collective. 2008. "'We are the ones  
We Have Been Waiting For': The U.S. Social Forum in Context." *Mobilization* 13(4):  
373-394.

#### Revise & Resubmit

Velitchkova, Ana. "Behavior, Morality, and Institutions: A *Habitus* in Action Model of Political

Violence.”

Velitchkova, Ana. “Creating Consent in State Socialist Eastern Europe: The Cosmopolitan Nationalism of the Weak.”

### **Manuscripts under Review and in Preparation**

Velitchkova, Ana. “Aiming at the Equal Community, Producing Inequality: The Community Logic Meets the Logic of Practice in the Making of the Global Esperanto Field.”

Velitchkova, Ana. “Independent Political Culture behind the Iron Curtain: Explaining the Puzzling Case of the Bulgarian Democratic Transition.”

### **Book Reviews**

Velitchkova, Ana. 2016. “Review of Julie Shayne (ed). *Taking Risks: Feminist Activism and Research in the Americas*. Albany: State University of New York Press, 2015. \$27.95 (paperback).” *Mobilization* 21(4): 501-2.

Velitchkova, Ana. 2016. “[Social Movement Theory from Latin America](#).” *Mobilizing Ideas*. Center for the Study of Social Movements, Notre Dame, Indiana.

Velitchkova, Ana. 2015. “[Public Shaming and the 21st-Century Crowd](#).” *Mobilizing Ideas*. Center for the Study of Social Movements, Notre Dame, Indiana.

### **Public Sociology**

Velitchkova, Ana. 2014. “[Conversing with Theory, Thinking Globally](#).” *Mobilizing Ideas*. Center for the Study of Social Movements, Notre Dame, Indiana.

Velitchkova, Ana. 2014. “[The Cosmopolitan Migrant](#).” *Mobilizing Ideas*. Center for the Study of Social Movements, Notre Dame, Indiana.

Velitchkova, Ana. 2014. “[The Global Body Politics of Attending the ASA: or the Political Consequences of Mundane Occurrences](#).” *Mobilizing Ideas*. Center for the Study of Social Movements, Notre Dame, Indiana.

### **AWARDS/HONORS**

Honorary Research Associate, Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES), supported by the University of Chile and the Catholic University of Chile, 2016-present

Junior Theorists Symposium invitation, Theory Section, American Sociological Association, 2015

Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Notre Dame, 2014

Sigma Delta Pi, Hispanic Honor Society, membership, 2003

Pi Delta Phi, French Honor Society, membership, 2002; Southern Illinois University Chapter President, 2003

### **GRANTS**

OER Grant, The University of Mississippi/William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, 2017 (\$2,000 to integrate Open Educational Resources into a Sociology 101 course)

Mini-COES Research Grant, Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES)/Chilean FONDAF project 15130009, 2015 (\$6,300 to study the Chilean "encapuchados")

Zahm Dissertation Research Travel Grant, Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, winter 2011-2012 (\$4,000)

Study Language Abroad Grant, Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures, University of Notre Dame, summer 2011 (\$3,000 to study Esperanto)

Notabaert Pre-dissertation Research Grant, Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$1,000)

Summer Study Award, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$2,045 to attend workshops at the Sunbelt conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis)

Graduate Travel and Research Grant, Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2009 (\$4,740 to study the cultural mobilization preceding four Eastern European transitions in 1989)

Graduate Student Professional Development and Recruitment Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame, summer 2009 (\$1,000 to study the cultural mobilization preceding four Eastern European transitions in 1989)

Research Travel Grant, Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, University of Notre Dame, winter 2009 (\$1,500 to conduct participant observation at the World Social Forum in Belem, Brazil)

Downes Grant, from the Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, summer 2008 (\$1,000 to attend ICPSR course on Network Analysis, Ann Arbor, Michigan), declined

## **FELLOWSHIPS/SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Dominica and Frank Annese Fellowship in Graduate Studies, Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2012-2013

Dissertation Fellowship, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2011-2012

Invitation/Scholarship to European Union sponsored summer school "Confronting Cold War Conformity: Peace and Protest Cultures in Europe, 1945-1989," the fourth event of the Marie Curie Series of Events "European Protest Movements Since 1945," Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, August, 2008. Did not attend

Graduate Research Assistantship, Department of Sociology and Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2007-2011, 2013-2014

Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2001-2004

Erasmus Student of the European Commission study abroad scholarship, Aristotle University, Thessaloniki, Greece, 2001

Full undergraduate state merit-based scholarship, University of Sofia, 1997-2001

## **CONFERENCES**

### **Panels Organized**

“Interdisciplinary Approaches to Violence in the Andean Region.” Latin American Studies Association, New York, May 2016 (did not attend).

“Re-imagining Citizens and Publics.” Social Science History Association conference, Chicago,

- Illinois, November 2013.
- “The Socialist Experience.” Social Science History Association conference, Vancouver, British Columbia, November 2012.
- “Supra-national institutionalism.” Social Science History Association conference, Boston, Massachusetts, November 2011.

### **Invited Talks**

- “Independent Political Culture behind the Iron Curtain: Two Approaches to Global Cultural Stratification.” University of Mississippi, March 7, 2016.
- “Who are the 'Encapuchados'? Low-intensity Political Violence in Chile, 2011-2013.” Coloquio Movimientos Sociales en América Latina: Trayectorias y Rupturas, Universidad Andrés Bello, Santiago, Chile, November 12, 2015.
- “Aiming at the Equal Community, Producing Inequality: The Community Logic Meets the Logic of Practice in the Making of the Global Esperanto Field.” Junior Theorists Symposium-JTS, Theory Section of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois, August 21, 2015.
- “Social Movements behind the Iron Curtain.” Seminario Internacional Movimiento, Límite y Conflicto, Universidad Andrés Bello, Santiago, Chile, November 27, 2014.
- “Conflict and Civility in the Small Eastern European State-Socialist Countries.” Taller de Economía Crítica, Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile, November 4, 2014.
- “The Making of Internationalist Publics and Civility behind the Iron Curtain.” Young Scholars in Social Movements, Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, Notre Dame, Indiana, May 1, 2014.
- “The Mismatch between Ideal and Practice as a Mismatch between Two Sides of Identity: Group Solidarity, Individual Life Stories, and Language.” Locating Solidarity, New School for Social Research, New York, March 31, 2012.
- “Cosmopolitan Priming for Change: Transnational Social Movements in Communist Eastern Europe.” Young Scholars in Social Movements, Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, Notre Dame, Indiana, April 2010.

### **Conference Papers**

- “Creating Consent in State Socialist Eastern Europe: The Cosmopolitan Nationalism of the Weak.” Presented at the Social Science History Association conference, Chicago, Illinois, November 2016.
- “Independent Political Culture behind the Iron Curtain: Explaining the Puzzling Case of the Bulgarian Democratic Transition.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Chicago, Illinois, August 2015.
- “Participation in Low-intensity Political Violence: Who are the Chilean 'Enchapuchados'?” Presented at the Latin American Studies Association congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 2015.
- “World Culture, Uncoupling, Institutional Logics, and Recoupling: Practices and Self-identification as Institutional Microfoundations of Political Violence.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, California, August 2014.

- “The Making of Modern Publics and Selves behind the Iron Curtain.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, New York, August 2013. Presented at the Social Science History Association conference, Vancouver, British Columbia, November 2012.
- “A Habitual Action Theory of Political Violence.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Denver, Colorado, August 2012.
- “Differentiated Habitus and Field, and High-risk Political Participation.” Presented at the Social Science History Association conference, Boston, Massachusetts, November 2011.
- “Poverty, Clientelism, and Spontaneity in Protest Participation: Micromobilization in Sub-Saharan Africa.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada, August 2011.
- “Micromobilization and Political Violence, a Sociological Account.” Presented at the International Studies Association conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 2011.
- “Mobilizing Behind the Curtain: Social Movement Strategies under Repressive Regimes.” Presented at the Social Science History Association conference, Chicago, Illinois, November 2010.
- “Cosmopolitan Priming for Change: Transnational Social Movements in Communist Eastern Europe.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, August 2010.
- “Transnational Social Movement Organizations’ Connectedness and Collaborations: Strategic Action and Network Dynamics Driving ‘Globalization.’” Presented at the Sunbelt conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis, Riva del Garda, Italy, June-July 2010. Presented at the International Studies Association conference, New Orleans, Louisiana. February 2010.
- “Cultural Mobilization behind the Eastern European Transitions of 1989.” Presented at the International Studies Association conference, New Orleans, Louisiana. February 2010.
- “Individual Engagement in Political Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa: Women’s Subordination and History of Violence in the Family.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, San Francisco, California, August 2009.
- “The Role of Emotions in Max Weber’s Theory of Action.” Presented at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, August 2008.
- “From Porto Alegre to Live 8: Mainstreaming the Global Call to Action against Poverty.” Presented at the International Studies Association conference, San Francisco, California. March 2008.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **University of Mississippi**

European Studies, spring 2017  
 Introductory Sociology, fall 2016, spring 2017  
 Research Methods, fall 2016

### **University of Notre Dame**

Global Sociology of Discontent senior seminars, summer 2012, summer 2013  
 received an Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award

**St. Mary's College**

Introduction to Social Problems, fall 2011

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**

French and Spanish languages and cultures courses, 2001-2007

**RESEARCH SUPERVISING****University of Mississippi**

Thesis mentor for Savannah Coleman, Croft Institute for International Studies, 2016-7

Thesis mentor for Nicholas Senften, Croft Institute for International Studies, 2016-8

Thesis reader for Kara Chobot, Croft Institute for International Studies, 2016-7

Thesis reader for Steven Wild, Croft Institute for International Studies, 2016-7

**Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES)**

Trained and supervised undergraduate and postgraduate research assistants for a project on Chilean radical activism, 2014-2016

**University of Notre Dame**

Trained and supervised undergraduate research assistants in two large data collection projects: Transnational Social Movement Organizations, State Repression in the Americas, 2008-2011

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Occasional reviewer for *American Sociological Review*, the *American Journal of Sociology*, *Mobilization, Ethics & Global Politics*, and *Research in Social Movements, Conflict, and Change*

Contributing editor, the *Mobilizing Ideas* blog, 2014-present

Panel organizer, Social Science History Association, 2011, 2012, 2013; Latin American Studies Association, 2016

Distinguished book committee member, Labor and Labor Movements Section of the American Sociological Association, 2008-9

Web designer and manager, Network Institute for Global Democratization - North America, 2007-2009

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE****University of Mississippi**

Thesis mentor (Savannah Coleman and Nicholas Senften) and thesis reader (Kara Chobot and Steven Wild), Croft Institute for International Studies, 2016-present

**Centre for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (COES)**

Postdoc research workshop series, 2014

**University of Notre Dame**

New graduate student mentor, 2009-2012

Department representative in the Graduate Student Union, 2009-2011

New graduate students guide committee, 2008-2014

**Southern Illinois University Carbondale**

Member of advisory committees (Library Affairs, Honorary Degrees, Intercollegiate Athletics, Recreational Sports and Services, Student Center), 2002-2005

Orientation volunteer, 2002-2005

President of International Student Council, 2002-2003

**LANGUAGES**

Bulgarian (native)

English (fluent read, speak, write)

French (fluent read, speak, write)

Spanish (fluent read, speak, write)

Esperanto (advanced read)

Russian (advanced read)

Portuguese (advanced read)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association, sections:

Collective behavior and social movements

Comparative and historical sociology

Culture, Sociology of

Global and transnational sociology

Peace, war and social conflict

Political sociology

Theory

Latin American Studies Association

Social Science History Association