

MARCIA A. BECK

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Bowdoin College, Department of Government, 1988 - 2003

as of 1995: Associate Professor of Comparative and International Politics with tenure.
Soviet/Russian, Central European, West European, European Union, and
Comparative Politics and Foreign Policy; International Relations
Chair of Department: 1997-1999.

University of Miami, Department of Political Science, Fall 2009 - present

Post-retirement position as Part-Time Lecturer, Department of Political Science.
Teach courses in Soviet & Russian Politics, Postcommunist Russian Politics,
Postcommunist Russian Foreign Policy

University of Notre Dame, Department of Government and International Studies, 1991-1993

Assistant Professor of Comparative and International Politics (on leave from Bowdoin).

Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace. Stanford University, 1991-1992

National Fellows Program (on leave from the University of Notre Dame).

Research Project: *State and Civil Society in Soviet Russia: Facing the Failure of Liberalism*

EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, May 1988, Department of Government & International Studies

Dissertation Scholarship research at St. Anthony's College, Oxford; London School of Slavonic and East European Studies; London School of Economics; the British Library
Dissertation: **Information in a Closed Political System: Soviet Ideology and Computer Technology**

M.A., University of Notre Dame, May 1983.

International Relations/Comparative Politics

Thesis: **The Politics and Ideology of Science in Communist Political Systems**

B.A., cum laude, University of Notre Dame, May 1980

Government and Liberal Arts.

Area Studies Honors Project: **Soviet Foreign Policy in Developing Countries**

TEACHING AWARDS and NOMINATIONS

Bowdoin College, *Sears-Roebuck Foundation Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award*, June 1990.

University of Notre Dame, *Undergraduate Teaching Commendation*, April 1993

One of 12 nominees for the Frank O'Malley Undergraduate Teaching Award.

Bowdoin College Nominee for the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching *U.S. Professors of the Year* award, 1998.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Achieving Competencies in Public Service: The Professional Edge. Second Edition. Co-author with Jonathan P. West and James S. Bowman. M.E. Sharpe, August 2009.

Russia's Liberal Project: State-Society Relations in the Transition from Communism
University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2000. Pp. i-xvi, 508.
Published in both hardcover and paperback.

People, Power and Politics, 3rd. Edition, Co-author with John C. Donovan, Richard E. Morgan, Christian P. Potholm. Author of chapters, "Change in a Communist Political System," and "Superpower Relations," Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 1993.

Articles:

"On the Road to the Civic Forum: State and Civil Society from Yeltsin to Putin,"
Demokratizatsiya, 10:2 (Spring 2002), 117-146.

Reprint of "Civil Society in Reforming Communist Regimes: The Logic of Emergence." In
Stephen White and Daniel N. Nelson, eds., *The Politics of the Communist World. The
International Library of Politics and Comparative Government, Volume I*. Aldershot,
UK: Ashgate Publishing, 2001, 5-27.

"The Construction of an Independent Public Sphere in Russia's Regions," *Demokratizatsiya*,
5:2 (Spring 1997), 239-262.

"Political Liberalism in Post-Communist Russia," *The Review of Politics* 58:3 (Summer 1996),
469-503.

"Political Participation and Party Formation in Post-Communist Russia, 1985-1992:
Institutionalizing Democracy?" *The Russian Review* 53:2 (April 1994), 240-270.

"Civil Society in Reforming Communist Regimes: The Logic of Emergence," with Jim
Butterfield, *Comparative Politics* 25:1 (October 1992), 1-23.

"Unofficial Social Groups and Regime Response in the Soviet Union," with Jim Butterfield, in
Judith Sedaitis and James Butterfield, eds., *Perestroika from Below: Social Movements
in the Soviet Union*. Boulder, CO.: Westview Press, 1991.

Book Reviews:

Review of Randall Balmer, *God in the White House: A History*, New York: Harper Collins, in *Public Integrity* 11:3 (Summer 2009), 279-286.

Review of Lawrence R. Klein and Marshall Pomar, eds., *The New Russia: Transition Gone Awry*, Stanford University Press, in *Slavic Review*, 61:3 (Fall 2002), 638-640.

Review of Niels Erik Rosenfeldt, Bent Jensen and Erik Kulavig, eds., *Mechanisms of Power in the Soviet Union*, Macmillan Press, Ltd., in *Canadian-American Slavic Studies*, 36:1 (Fall 2002), 217-219.

Review of Anders Aslund and Martha Brill Olcott, eds., *Russia After Communism*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, in *Canadian-American Slavic Studies*, 35:1 (Fall 2001), 167-170.

Review of Valerie Sperling, *Organizing Women in Contemporary Russia*, Cambridge University Press, and Rebecca Kay, *Russian Women and their Organizations*, St. Martin's Press, in *The Russian Review* 60:2 (April 2001), 298-300.

Review of Neil Robinson, ed. *Institutions and Political Change in Russia*. London: Macmillan Press Ltd., 2000, Pp. 235, in *Slavic Review*, 60:1 (Spring 2001), 189-191.

Review of William E. Odom, *The Collapse of the Soviet Military*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 1998, Pp. 523, in *The Review of Politics*, 62:3 (Summer 2000), 627-635.

Review of Jeffrey T. Checkel, *Ideas and International Political Change: Soviet/Russian Behavior and the End of the Cold War*, Yale University Press, 1997, in *Review of Politics*, 60:2 (Spring 1998), 409-414.

Review of Linda J. Cook, *The Soviet Social Contract and Why it Failed: Welfare Policy and Workers' Politics from Brezhnev to Yeltsin*, Harvard University Press, 1993 in *Review of Politics* 56:4 (Fall 1994), 809-813.

Review of Ludmilla Alexeyeva and Paul Goldberg, *The Thaw Generation: Coming of Age in the Post-Stalin Era*, University of Pittsburgh Press, Series in Russian and East European Studies, No. 19, 1993 in *Russian History* 22:3 (Fall 1995), 346-348.

Review of Alex Callinicos, *The Revenge of History*, The Pennsylvania State University Press, 1991, in the *Review of Politics* 55:4 (Fall 1993), 740-745.

Review of Lars T. Lih, *Bread and Authority in Russia*, University of California Press, 1990, in *The Soviet and Post-Soviet Review* 18: 1-3 (1992), 303-306.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PAPERS

Debating the European Social Charter. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA., September 3-6, 1998.

Independent Social Organization in Post-Communist Russia: Institutionalizing Civil Society?
Presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting, October 1996, Boston, MA.

The Political Implications of Social Problems in Yeltsin's Russia
Presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting, October 25-28, 1995, Washington, D.C.

The Roots of Contemporary Russian Liberalism
Presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting, November 1994, Philadelphia, PA.

Institutional and Social Bases of State Formation in Yeltsin's Russia
Presented at the New England Slavic Association, annual meeting
Harvard University Russian Research Center, April 15-16, 1994, Cambridge, MA.

State Construction and Party Politics in Post-Communist Russia
Presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting, November 19-22, 1992, Phoenix, AZ.

Sources of Post-communist Civil and Political Society in Russia: Institutions and Strategies
Presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting,
March 19-22, 1992, San Francisco, CA.

The Consolidation of Political Society in Post-Communist Regimes: Central Europe and Russia
Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting,
April 9-11, 1992, Chicago, IL.

Prerequisites for Civil Society in the Soviet Union, co-author
Presented at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies Annual Meeting, October 1990, Washington, D.C.

The Emergence of Civil Society in the Soviet Union: Moscow, Minsk and Riga, co-author
Presented at the IV World Congress for Soviet and East European Studies
July 21-26, 1990, Harrogate, England

Social Action Groups and Regime Response in the USSR, co-author
Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting
August 30 - September 3, 1989, Atlanta, GA.

Strategies of Independent Groups in the USSR, co-author
Presented at the New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting
April 30, 1989, Boston, MA.

Soviet Computer Technology and Changing State-Society Relations: A Soviet Discussion
Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting
April 30, 1988, St. Louis, MO.

The Societal Impact of Computer and Information Technologies in the USSR
Presented at the Midwest Slavic Association Annual Meeting
April 15, 1988, Bloomington, IN.

SELECTED PUBLIC TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

“The Results of the 1995 Russian Parliamentary Elections: Two Steps Forward; One Step Back”
Talk presented to the *Mid-Coast Forum on Foreign Relations*
January 8, 1996, Rockport, ME.

“Post-Communist State Construction in Russia: The Dynamics of Authoritarianism and Democracy”
Discussion paper presented to the *Portland Archangel Committee*
May 1995, Portland, ME.

“Russian Liberalism: Eliminating the Gap between Private and Public Values”
Talk presented to the *Camden Conference on Foreign Affairs*
February 4, 1994, Camden, ME.

“Russia: The Election Process and the New Constitution”
Talk presented to the *Portland League of Women Voters*
November 17, 1993, Portland, ME.

“A Walk down Tverskaia: Moscow in the Throes of the Post-Communist Transition”
Talk presented at the weekly Bowdoin College *Faculty Seminar*
November 1993, Portland, ME.

“The Fall 1993 Russian Crisis: Democracy by Force”
Talk presented at the Bowdoin College *Parents’ Weekend*
October 1993, Brunswick, ME.

“State Formation and Political Parties in Post-Communist Russia”
Talk presented to the *Kellogg Institute for International Studies*, University of Notre Dame
February 18, 1993, Notre Dame, IN.

“Teaching Values in the Liberal Arts: Education as Formation”
University of Notre Dame, *Junior Parents’ Weekend*, February 1993
Excerpts printed in the Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns newsletter

“The Rocky Road to a Party System in Post-Communist Russia: Institutionalizing Democracy?”
Talk presented at the *Historical Society Seminar*, The Hoover Institution,
Stanford University, April 1992

“The Emergence of Civil Society in Reforming Communist Regimes: USSR and Central

Europe.” Talk presented at the *Transitions from Socialism* seminar, The Hoover Institution, Stanford University, October 1991

“Power, Politics and Civil Society in Yeltsin’s Russia”
Talk presented to the *Fellowship Forum* seminar series
Palo Alto, California, October 1991

“Speaking Truth to Power: The Seeds of Civil Society in Gorbachev’s Russia”
Talk presented to the Bowdoin College *‘Neath the Pines* annual meeting
Bowdoin College Development Office, October 1989

ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND GRANTS

Bowdoin College Faculty Research Fund Grant, Spring 1996 and Spring 1997. For travel to Hoover Institution (Stanford University) archives and Library of Congress to complete research on book manuscript.

German Academic Exchange Program (DAAD), German Language Faculty Scholarship
Intensive German language study for research, Boppard, Germany, Summer 1995.

National Endowment for the Humanities, Special Archival Grant, Summer 1993
Research in new political archives in Moscow on the construction of a civil society and political party system from 1985 to 1992.

The Hoover Institution, Stanford University, 1991-1992
Research in contemporary political archives and dissident archives on Russian Post-Communist state construction, independent group activities, party formation.

Latvian State University (affiliation), Summer 1989
Study of informal group and popular front activism in Riga, Moscow and Minsk.
Conducted interviews in Russian with group leaders and scholars at the
Institute for the Study of International Working Class Movements (Moscow).

Bowdoin College Faculty Research Grant, Summer 1989
For travel to and research in the USSR.

Dissertation Fellowship, University of Notre Dame, 1986-1987.
Researched Soviet collections in the British Library, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, the London School of Economics, St. Anthony’s College (Oxford).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES, 1988-2010

Manuscript Reviewer, Public Integrity

Manuscript reviewer, Comparative Political Studies

Manuscript reviewer, Comparative Politics

Manuscript reviewer, Journal of Politics

Manuscript Reviewer, Nationalities Papers

Manuscript reviewer, Problems of Post-Communism

Manuscript reviewer, Review of Politics

Manuscript reviewer, The Russian Review

Co-Chair of the Comparative Politics Field Committee for the *New England Political Science Association* Annual Meeting, November 1994. Organized panel sessions.

Board Member, *ECHO*, Organization supporting civil society development in postcommunist Russia, Association with Siberian Civic Initiatives Center, Yarmouth, Maine, 1996-1999.

Language Education:

German Language

Summer 2006: Advanced German, *Goethe Institute, Mannheim.*

Certificate: Zertifikat C1: Zentrale Mittelstufenprüfung

Summers 1995 and 1996. Advanced, *German Academic Exchange Scholarship for Scholars*, Goethe Institute, Boppard, Germany

Summer 1979. Intensive Intermediate, *Georgetown University Summer Abroad Program*
Universität Trier, Germany

Russian Language

Summer 1985, *The Summer Workshop in Soviet Languages*, Intensive Intermediate
Russian, Indiana University, Bloomington

Courses Taught:

- * Soviet Foreign Policy
- * Soviet Politics
- * Post-Communist Russian Foreign Policy
- * Post-Communist Russian Politics
- * Foreign Policy of the CIS (post-Communist “Commonwealth of Independent States”)
- * West European Politics

- * Politics and Anti-Politics in East Central Europe (senior seminar)
- * Politics of the European Union
- * Comparative Civil Societies (senior seminar)
- * Comparative Politics survey
- * Comparative Politics First-Year Writing Seminars
- * Team taught course on “Post-National States”
- * Graduate Course in Soviet/Russian Foreign Policies (University of Notre Dame)
- * Graduate Course in International Relations (University of Notre Dame)
- * Supervised senior Honors Projects

- * Organized and ran First-Year Seminar Writing Workshops for faculty at Bowdoin College, 1995-1997.

- * Led University of Notre Dame European Union Politics class in participation at 2-day Mock European Union Competition at the Indiana University in Indianapolis, spring 1993. Our team won 6 of 7 awards presented.

- * Taught Elderhostel at Bowdoin College, summer 1994.

Participation in Administrative Committees/Administrative Positions:

- * Chair, Department of Government, Bowdoin College, 1997-1999.
- * Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee, Bowdoin College.
- * Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure, Bowdoin College.
- * Faculty Affairs Committee, Bowdoin College.
- * Budget Committee, Bowdoin College.
- * Faculty hiring committees, Bowdoin College and University of Notre Dame.
- * Area Studies Committees, Bowdoin College and the University of Notre Dame.