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Current positions:

- Associate Professor. Ilia State University (January, 2013 – present)
- Chief advisor. Gori State University (March, 2013 – present)

Research interests:

Education Management Information Systems (EMIS) impact on managing education sector, secondary and higher education administration and supervision, school safety, comparative education university quality assurance, and school vouchers.

Education:

2014 Certified Program in Football Management. UEFA & University of Lausanne
2009 – 2013 Doctor of Education at Ilia State University (Tbilisi, Georgia)
2000 – 2002 MA in education administration and supervision at University of Nebraska at Omaha (GPA-3.965)
1990 - 1995 MA in Economics at Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (Tbilisi, Georgia).

Professional and Teaching Experience:

1. Teaching Experience:

2010 - Courses taught at school of education (Ilia State University): (1) School Operations (strategic planning for school development); (2) Organizational Behavior; (3) School Finance and Law; (4) Higher Education Management (In English); and (5) Diffusion of Change (In English).
2011 - Courses taught at school of education (Gori State University): (1) Research Methods in Education (I semester); (2) Statistical Methods with SPSS
2003 - 2009 Courses taught at school of education (Ilia State University): (1) Research Methods in Education; (2) Statistical Methods with SPSS
2003 - 2004 Course taught at school of public administration (Georgian Institute of Public Affairs): Statistical Methods for Social Science with SPSS.

2. Past Professional Experience:

2006 - 2010 (a) Head of Statistic & Analytical Department b) National Coordinator of “Safe Schools” Program c) Head of Programs Department at the **Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia**
2005 - 2006 Project Manager at **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**
2003 - 2005 Deputy Director at the **American Academy in Tbilisi**
1995 - 2000 Deputy Director and head of Math Department at the **School- Lyceum “Ritori”**

Implemented Research Projects:

2015 - Impact of School Good Governance on Students Academic Achievement
2012 - Cost – Effectiveness Analyses of Georgian General Education System - **National Research Foundation.**
2011 - 2012 Conditions of Azerbaijani Teachers in the Ethnic Minority Schools of Georgia (Tbilisi Open University
2009 - 2011 “Evaluation of Georgian Current Funding Model and Elaboration of an Alternative School Finance Model”. **National Research Foundation.**
2006 - 2009 “Challenges of Education Reform in Governing Secondary Education Sector”. **National Research Foundation**

Publications:

- In progress Book: Rationales to Reform General Education Sector
- In progress Monograph: Cost – Effectiveness Analyses of Georgian General Education System
- November, 2015 Book: Tools to Manage Modern Schools Effectively
- June, 2013 Comparative Study: Impact of Family, School, and Students Factors on Students Achievements in Reading in Developed (Estonia) and Developing (Azerbaijan) Countries. Canadian Center of Science and Education
- May, 2013 Book: School Finance. Ilia State University
- December, 2009 Educational Digest – Assessing the first phase of education reform 2003-2008. Team leader, Ministry of Education and Science
- November, 2009 Safe, Non-Threatening Environment at Schools in Georgia. Policy Paper
- August, 2005 Statistics for Behavioral Science. (Reader for undergraduate and graduate students in Georgian)
- March, 2004 Modern Approaches of School Management. (Reader for graduate students in Georgian)
- May, 2006 A Set of Indicators to Assess School Operations (learning process, human resources, financial resources, safety and discipline)

Translations:

- 2014-2015 Handbook for Football Association Management
- 2009 - 2010 “Organizational Behavior” by Robbins, Stephan; and Judge, Thimothy, 2008
- 2009 - 2010 “Human Side of School Change” by Evans, Robert, 2008

Articles:

- September, 2011 Trend of Georgian Higher Education System
- December, 2005 Issues to be Taken into Account before Introducing the Institution of Board of Education. Ilia State University Press. Article, in Georgian & in English)
- September, 2006 Selecting Topics for Research Proposal. Ilia State University Press. Article, in Georgian & in English.

Guides/Educational Resources:

- 2005 Grade book for schools and kindergartens; personal files for students’ academic and personal development; handbook for school administrators; handbook for teachers.

Conferences and Workshops:

- January, 2016 Modern approaches of teaching and learning. American University in Yerevan. Yerevan, Armenia
- May, 2015 How to assess progress in education. Study visit at UNESCO International institute for education planning. Paris, France
- February, 2015 Effective tools for effective schooling. University of Koblenz. Koblenz, Germany
- December, 2014 Modern teaching methods. London, England
- May, 2014 How to design graduate academic program in Higher Education Management. Paris, France
- June, 2013 Cost – effectiveness analyses of general education sector. Columbia and Stanford Universities. USA
- April, 2013 Higher education management program design. Paris, France
- February, Outstanding results in PISA 2009. Helsinki, Finland

2010

- May, 2010 School finance models. Academy for Education Development. Washington DC, USA
June, 2010 Condition of education, Children welfare. UNESCO, Geneva, Switzerland
July, 2009 Modern Approaches of Education. Korean Education Development Institute. Seoul, South Korea
May, 2009 Strengthening ties among the Black Sea Cooperation Countries. Athens, Greece
May, 2008 Trends in tertiary education. Tallinn, Estonia
March , 2008 Safe schools, the US Department of Education. Washington DC, USA
April, 2008 Assessing condition of education using education indicators. National Center of Education Statistics. Washington DC, USA
November,2007 Presenting country report – condition of education in Georgia. UNESCO Institute of Statistics. Paris, France
September,2007 International conference on child care. Washington, DC
August, 2002 National Grant Writers Association. Long Beach, CA
June, 2001 Social Skills Model. Boy's & Girl's Town. Omaha, Nebraska.

Scholarships and Awards:

- 2003 - 2005 Teaching scholarship. Academic Fellowship Program (AFP). Budapest, Hungary
2000 - 2002 Edmund S. Muskie Fellowship. American Councils/ Open Society. USA.

Professional Affiliation:

- 2014 - A board member public school #
2009- 51An editor of the Journal of Educational Administration and Policy Studies (JEAPS)
2006 - A board member of department of education at Ilia State University
2004- A board member of Georgian Muskie Alumni Association
2007 - 2009 A working group member UNESCO country office. Tbilisi, Georgia
2008 - 2009 A working group member on Education (Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC)).

Skills:

Language: Georgian – native, English – fluent, and Russian - fluent

Computer: Microsoft Word; Excel, PowerPoint; Internet Explorer, SPSS.