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Education

10/2021- 10/2025
Kraków, Poland

PhD in Political Science, Jagiellonian University

Dissertation Topic: A Gendered Approach to Foreign Policy: The Case Study of Georgia in the framework of the Swedish Feminist Foreign Policy

- Examines a feminist foreign policy adopted for the first time by Sweden in 2014 and developed into a fully political framework within the core areas of foreign and security policy, development cooperation, trade and promotion, and migration and refugee policy with application of “3Rs” (Rights, Representations, and Resources).
- Assesses the challenges and opportunities for integrating feminist foreign policy principles into Georgia’s decision-making structures. In doing so, it not only analyzes the Swedish foreign policy model but also provides a normative and practical lens for policy adaptation in Georgia, which is a traditional, gender-neutral country with conservative foreign policies.

03/2019-12/2019
Bergamo, Italy

MA in International Security, University of Bergamo

09/2015-07/2017

MA in Diplomacy and International Affairs, ADA University

Baku, Azerbaijan

09/2010-06/2014

BA in International Affairs, Baku State University

Baku Azerbaijan

Research Experience

07/2025 – 05/2026.

Research on “Aligning Feminist Foreign Policy and Green Foreign and Security Policy: Building Intersectional Pathways for Global Justice” within the Green Foreign and Security Policy Fellowship at the Heinrich Böll Foundation, Thessaloniki Office.

- One-year research project to investigate how the principles and practices of Feminist Foreign Policy can be meaningfully integrated into Green Foreign and Security Policy frameworks to produce coherent, intersectional strategies for global justice
- Case study countries, Germany, Canada, and Chile which adopted elements of FFP and have Green parties with consolidated electoral power and institutional presence
- Produce a research-based policy paper outlining where the two frameworks intersect, where they diverge, and how a more unified foreign policy doctrine could be structured.
- Draft a practical toolkit with policy recommendations for integrating intersectional feminist principles into Green foreign and security strategies, focusing on areas such as climate diplomacy, peacebuilding, disarmament, and trade justice.

07-10/10/2025
Chicago, USA

**Research visit at Northwestern University
Department of Political Science**

- Looked through international regime complexity concept under the supervision of Dr. Karen Alter
- Participated meeting with the faculty members of the department, including IR Speaker Series internal workshop.
- Attended seminars and lectures to get insights into pedagogical design, inclusive teaching, and interactive learning strategies of the university

03/2025
New York, United States

**Fellowship at Feminist Foreign and Development Policy Program
Heinrich Böll Foundation’s (HBS) within the 69th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)**

- Attended high-level sessions within CSW
- Met with stakeholders from the UN, World Bank, White House, and State Department
- Attended discussions with research organizations, NGOs, and students who are engaged in shaping policy for women and girls

10/2023-02/2024
Gothenburg, Sweden

**Research Visit at Gothenburg University
Gender in Diplomacy Program at the Department of Political Science**

- Attended discussions and meetings with supervisor (Dr. Ann Towns) and co-supervisor (Dr. Haley McEwen)
- Participated in seminars held within the Gender in Diplomacy program on topics of gender politics, governance, and political representation
- Lectured within the Ph.D. Peer Presentations series on Feminist Foreign Policy Theory

09/2023-10/2023 Tbilisi, Georgia	Research visit at the ISET Policy Center - Conducted further research on Georgian foreign policy - Interviewing government officials at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia
02/2023-07/2023 Prague, Czech Republic	Research visit to Charles University Institute of International Studies at the Faculty of Political Science - Participated in the lectures on Georgian foreign policy, political representation in the EU, and moral and ethical concepts in politics with supervisor Dr. Adrian Brisku. - Lectured on “Turkish-Georgian relations in the context of Feminist Foreign Policy” as part of the format of “Join the Debate” - Attended various events and conferences offered by Charles University and other institutions, such as the Institute of International Relations Prague.
10/2022-02/2023 Zagreb, Croatia	Research visit to the University of Zagreb Faculty of Political Science, funded by the ERASMUS+ Exchange Program - Participated in lectures on the EU as an anti-totalitarian project and the economic and institutional aspects of EU enlargement - Lectured as part of the Advanced Research Seminar series of guest lectures on the topic of Feminist Foreign Policy and Georgia - Published an article on “Georgia’s Russia Strategy in the Framework of Swedish Feminist Foreign Policy” in the university’s monthly journal.
07/2022-10/2022 Tbilisi, Georgia	Research visit at the PMC Research Center - Researching the Abkhazia and South Ossetia conflicts and the resolution process - Having interviews with IDP women, local independent researchers who specialize in the peace negotiations process of Georgian conflicts, and government representatives to discuss the current government policy in integration and communication, as well as peacebuilding

Work Experience

11/2025-present Baku, Azerbaijan	Coordinator in Research and Institutional Development Khazar University
6/2020-10/2021 Baku, Azerbaijan	International Affairs Specialist ADA University
08/2018-03/2019 Baku, Azerbaijan	International Cooperation Specialist Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Azerbaijan
08/2017-08/2018 Baku, Azerbaijan	International Affairs Specialist Administration of the State Historical-Architectural Reserve “Icherisheher”

Scholarships and Grants

10/2025	Teaching-Engagement-Development (TED) Foreign Internship Grant Jagiellonian University PhD Teaching Programme - A grant for a planned short-term research visit to Northwestern University, Evanston, USA, between October 7-17, 2025, under the supervision of Dr. Karen Alter, to explore connections between feminist international relations theory and conflict/post-conflict state policies in Georgia. - Covering travel costs, accommodation, and daily allowance up to 10 days, based on applicable ministerial rates for the host country. - More info: https://ted.zintegruj.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/phd-students/internships
07/2025 – 05/2026.	Green Foreign Policy Fellowship Grant - Heinrich Böll Foundation, Thessaloniki. - A grant for scholars, practitioners, and experts from across the world to galvanize these critical discussions, provide space, access, and experience in the realm of progressive foreign & security policy. - Covering travel and accommodation costs to attend relevant events and providing a six-month (6000 EUR) stipend during the first semester of the Fellowship. - More info: https://gr.boell.org/en/2025/05/05/applications-green-foreign-policy-fellowship-are-now-open
03/2025	Feminist Foreign and Development Policy Fellowship Grant - Heinrich Böll Foundation, Washington, DC. - A grant for feminist experts from the Global South, centered around the 69th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW). - Covering travel, local transportation, accommodation, health/travel insurance, visa support (including invitation letter and fees), some meals, CSW registration, plus access to HBS-hosted workshops, meetings, and networking events. - More info: https://us.boell.org/en/2024/11/15/feminist-global-development-and-

10/2023-02/2024	foreign-policy-fellowship-2025-csw-69 Research Support Module Grant - Doctoral School in Social Sciences, Jagiellonian University - A competitive funding scheme is organized annually to support doctoral candidates' research development. - Funded to cover a 4-month research visit to Gothenburg University to research the Swedish model of Feminist Foreign Policy. - Amount of 15000 PLN (around 3500 EUR), covering travel, accommodation, and daily expenses. - More info: https://social-sciences.phd.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/research-support-2023
10/2023	Visibility and Mobility Module Grant - Doctoral School in Social Sciences, Jagiellonian University - An internal funding program is organized annually to strengthen doctoral candidates' visibility in the international academic community. - Funded the Participation in the Swedish Political Science Association Annual Meeting (SWEPSA 2023) in Sweden. - Amount of 7500 PLN (around 1800 EUR), covering conference fee, travel, accommodation, and daily expenses. - More info: https://social-sciences.phd.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/visibility-mobility-2023
09/2023-10/2023	STER – Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools Grant - A special funding stream co-financed by the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) under the “STER – Internationalisation of Doctoral Schools” initiative to support longer research stays and internships in foreign institutions. - Funded to cover a one-month research field trip to Tbilisi, Georgia, for primary data collection for PhD dissertation on gender and foreign policy of Georgia. - Amount of 8039 PLN (around 1900 EUR), covering travel, accommodation, and daily expenses. - More info: https://social-sciences.phd.uj.edu.pl/en_GB/ster
02/2023-07/2023	International Visegrad Fund – Visegrad Scholarship Program - Administered by the International Visegrad Fund, supports Master's, PhD, and postdoctoral research and study abroad exchanges between the V4 countries (Czechia, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia). - Funded to cover a 6-month research visit to Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic, to conduct dissertation-related research, including data collection, literature review, and collaboration with Charles University faculty. - Amount of 2500 EUR, covering travel, accommodation, and daily expenses. - More info: https://www.visegradfund.org/apply/mobilities/visegrad-scholarships/

Teaching Experience

2025-2026 (Fall semester)	Research Methods Course and Academic Writing Course at ADA University Teaching methodology and conducting research to graduate students
2023-2024 (Fall and spring semesters)	Diploma Thesis Seminar Course at the Institute of the Middle and Far East of Jagiellonian University Taught methodology and preparation of thesis to graduate students.
2024 (spring semester)	EPS Preliminary Seminar at the Institute of European Studies of Jagiellonian University Taught methodology and research design to graduate students
2024 (spring semester)	Regional Security Complexes theory in the Middle and Far East at the Institute of the Middle and Far East of Jagiellonian University Taught Regional Complex Theory, specifically focused on the South Caucasus, to graduate and undergraduate students
2024 (spring semester)	Foreign Policies of European Countries at the Institute of European Studies of the Jagiellonian University Taught the foreign policy strategies of Sweden to graduate and undergraduate students

Conferences

8-10 July 2024 Ghent, Belgium	European Conference on Politics and Gender Presented “Targeted Migration Strategies within the Feminist Foreign Policy Models” in the panel of Politics of Feminist Foreign Policy in the section of Feminist Perspectives on Reimagining Global Politics.
4-6 October 2023 Gothenburg, Sweden	Annual Conference of the Swedish Political Science Association (SWEPSA) Participated in the working group ‘Gender and Politics’ chaired by Lena Wängnerud, Ann Towns, and Pär Zetterberg; presented a paper on “Exploring Ethical Principles within Feminist

27-28 June 2022 Lodz, Poland	Foreign Policy"; participated as a discussant to review a book chapter on "Gender-sensitive state power" by Dr. Lena Wängnerud 17th Lodz East Asia Meeting "Regional order in (post-) pandemic Asia" Organized by the Department of East Asian Studies, University of Lodz, presented an article on "The dilemma between Feminist Foreign Policy and ethical principles of politics"
5-6 December 2019 Rome, Italy	L'Associazione per lo Studio in Italia dell'Asia Centrale e del Caucaso (ASIAC) yearly conference Organized by Università degli Studi – Roma Tre and ASIAC's board of directors to discuss issues related to the Caucasus and Central Asia

Activities

February-June 2025 Kraków, Poland	Teaching Engagement Development (TED) Participated in the intensive and elite training program of Jagiellonian University PhD Teaching Programme to enhance participants' competencies in academic teaching, digital skills, green transformation, and research commercialization; successfully completed training modules, each comprising 10 teaching hours and completed with an exam.
9-13 June 2025 Bologna, Italy	Summer School in Climate Change Organized by the Department of the Arts of the University of Bologna as a BIP- Blended Intensive Program, offering an interdisciplinary platform to explore ecological thinking at the intersection of environmental science, cultural practices, and artistic research.
4-10 September 2022 Guba, Azerbaijan	International Summer School on Migration Organized within the framework of two EU-funded projects, namely, the "Support to the Implementation of the Mobility Partnership in Azerbaijan" (MOBILAZE 2) project and the "Prague Process: Dialogue, Analyses and Training in Action" (PP DATA) initiative – component of the Mobility Partnership Facility)
17-21 February 2020 Baku, Azerbaijan	International Training School for Early Career Researchers on "Good governance and Effectiveness of Public Institutions in Post-Soviet Eurasia" (CEEUS and the GCRF COMPASS project)
June-July 2016 Brussels, Belgium	Summer School in the European Union and International Organizations

Publications

- Madadli, G. (2025). **From Collective to Connective Identity: Digital Feminism and the Transformation of the Fourth Wave**. *Przegląd Politologiczny*, (3), 295–311. <https://doi.org/10.14746/pp.2025.30.3.20>
- Madadli, G. (2025). **Feminist foreign policy as a new approach to the peaceful resolution of the South Ossetia and Abkhazia conflicts in Georgia**. *Scholarly Insights*, 1(1), 1–26. <https://journals.symphonypub.com/index.php/si/article/view/55>
- Madadli, G. (2024). **Exploring Ethical Principles Within Feminist Foreign Policy**. *J Polit Sci Int Relat.* ;7(3):48-58. doi: 10.11648/j.jpsir.20240703.11
- Madadli, G. (2022). **"Georgia's Russia Strategy in the Framework of Swedish Feminist Foreign Policy"**. *Političke analize* 11, no. 44. 3-8. Retrieved from <https://hrcak.srce.hr/296668>
- Madadli, G. (2020). **"The factors behind effective performance of public service delivery by the ASAN Service"**. GCRF COMPASS Working Proceedings (COMPASS project led by the University of Kent, together with the University of Cambridge). <https://research.kent.ac.uk/gcrf-compass/wp-content/uploads/sites/169/2020/04/ADA-TS-w-proceedings-2020-Final.pdf>.
- Madadli, G. (2018). **"The main challenges of Azerbaijan in a visa-free regime with the EU"**. *ACADEMIA* (French online journal).
- Madadli, G. (2018). **"What does democracy mean for the people of the South Caucasus?"**. ROOSTERGNN Global News Network. <https://rgnn.org/2018/08/01/democracy-mean-people-south-caucasus/>.
- Madadli, G. (2018). **"The failure of Erbakan led to the success of Erdogan"**. ROOSTERGNN Global News Network. <https://rgnn.org/2018/09/05/failure-erbakan-led-success-erdogan/>
- Madadli, G. (2017). **"Trump vs Environment"**. *Eurasia Diary*. <http://ednews.net/en/news/analytical-wing/159310-trump-vs-environment>

Skills

Languages: Azerbaijani (native); English (fluent); Turkish (fluent); Italian (basic)

Technical Skills: Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite – Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Prezi, and STATA