

## Ana Velitchkova

### Curriculum Vitae (July 27, 2010)

Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame

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### EDUCATION

**Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology and Peace Studies**, in progress, University of Notre Dame, Areas: Globalization and Social Movements, Violence, Gender, Democratization  
Comprehensive Examinations: Global Sociology (September 2009)

Social Movements (forthcoming)

**Master of Arts, Sociology**, 2010, University of Notre Dame, Thesis: "Cosmopolitan Priming for Change: Transnational Social Movements in Communist Eastern Europe"

**Master of Arts, Foreign Languages and Literatures**, 2004, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Research paper: "Multilingualism and Identity"; **Political Science**, coursework completed in 2007, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Fields: Comparative Politics, American Politics, and International Relations

**Bachelor of Arts (magna cum laude), French Philology/French Studies**, 2001, University of Sofia St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria

### SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Velitchkova, Ana. Forthcoming. "From Porto Alegre to Live 8: Mainstreaming the Global Call to Action against Poverty." In *Building Bridges across Great Divides: Volume II: Social Forums, Movements and Networks*, edited by Ellen Reese and Jackie Smith.

Wiest, Dawn, Jackie Smith, and Ana Velitchkova. Forthcoming. "Transnational Labor and Counter-Hegemonic Globalization." In *Social Movements and Global Change: Transnational Organizations from Decolonization through the Neoliberal Era*. Rose Series.

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.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Velitchkova, Ana. "Cosmopolitan Priming for Change: Transnational Social Movements in Communist Eastern Europe." To be presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Atlanta, August 2010. Presented at the Young Scholars in Social Movements conference, Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, Notre Dame, Indiana, April 2010.

Velitchkova, Ana. "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.

Velitchkova, Ana. "Cultural Mobilization behind the Eastern European Transitions of 1989." Presented at the International Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana. February 2010.

Velitchkova, Ana. "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 Conference, San Francisco, August 2009.

Velitchkova, Ana. "Culture, Mobilization, and the Eastern European 'Revolutions' of 1989." Accepted at the Midwest Sociological Society Conference, Des Moines, Iowa, April 2009. Did not attend.

Velitchkova, Ana. "The Role of Emotions in Max Weber's Theory of Action." Presented at the American Sociological Association Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, August 2008.

Velitchkova, Ana. "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.

Velitchkova, Ana. "Culture of Contention between the Global and the Local: the Case of Four Movements in Carbondale, Illinois." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 2007.

Velitchkova, Ana. "Deliberative Democracy and the Study Circles in Carbondale, Illinois." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 2006.

Velitchkova, Ana. "The World Social Forum." Presented at the Second Annual Nostram Bucinam Canimus Conference, Carbondale, Illinois. April 2005.

Velitchkova, Ana. "L'opposition au brassage des peuples et des cultures : réflexions sur le racisme dans certains représentants du cinéma occidental." Presented at the International Conference on Chaos and Order, Atlanta, Georgia. November 2002.

## **AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS**

Notabaert Grant, from the Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$1000)

Summer research fellowship, from the Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$2000)

Summer research award to develop a positive peace index, from the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$2000)

Summer study award to attend workshops at the Sunbelt conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis, from the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2010 (\$2045)

Graduate Travel and Research Grant to study the cultural mobilization preceding four Eastern European transitions in 1989, from the Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2009 (\$4740)

Graduate Student Professional Development and Recruitment Grant to study the cultural mobilization preceding four Eastern European transitions in 1989, from the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame, summer 2009 (\$1000)

Summer research and study funds, from the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, summer 2009 (\$2700)

Research Travel Grant to conduct participant observation at the World Social Forum in Belem, Brazil, from the Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, University of Notre Dame, winter 2009 (\$1500)

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 18-25, 2008. Did not attend

Downes Grant to attend the ICPSR summer course on Network Analysis in Ann Arbor, Michigan, from the Graduate School, University of Notre Dame, summer 2008 (\$1000), declined

Student Research Grant to study new labor movement organizing (Jobs with Justice), from the Higgins Labor Research Center, University of Notre Dame, summer 2008

Summer Research Fellowship, from the Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, 2008 (\$3600)

Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, Department of Sociology and Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2007-present

College of Liberal Arts/Department of Political Science Research Travel Grants, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2006, 2007

Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Waiver, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2001-2007

Sigma Delta Pi, Hispanic Honor Society, membership, 2003

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

College of Liberal Arts/Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Research Travel Grant, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2002

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

## EMPLOYMENT

**Research Assistant**, Department of Sociology and Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2007-present

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2001-2007

**Reporter**, *Nightlife*, Southern Illinois's Independent Weekly Alternative, 2004-2006

**Vice-president**, Graduate and Professional Student Council, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2005

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of record for the following undergraduate courses: French Language, Literature, and Culture I and II; Intermediate French Language and Culture; Spanish I and II. Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2001-2007

Received favorable evaluations and scored above departmental average on

quantitative evaluation measures in each class, usually above 4.5 on a 1 to 5 scale (evaluations available upon request)

## **COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH**

The World Social Forum research project. Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, University of Notre Dame. Ongoing.

Labor organizing and globalization research project. With Jackie Smith and Austin Choi-Fitzpatrick. Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change and Higgins Labor Research Center, University of Notre Dame, April 2008-present

Research project on power and inequality in transnational social movement networks. With Jackie Smith. Department of Sociology and Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, August 2007-present

U.S. Social Forum research project. With a team of researchers from several North American universities, Atlanta, Georgia, summer 2007; in preparation for a second round in Detroit, Michigan, in 2010

Micro dynamics of Oppositional Consciousness Research (OppConRe) project. With Erika Summers-Effler, and a team of graduate and undergraduate students. Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, October 2007-2008

## **PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY: PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS**

World Social Forum Report Back speaker, South Bend, Indiana, 2009-present

US Social Forum Report Back speaker, South Bend, Indiana, 2007-present

Occasional writer for *Common Sense*, University of Notre Dame's progressive, "The U.S. Social Forum: Foundation of a New Public Sphere." 22(1): 8-9, 2007  
"Joint ND-IUSB-IU Northwest Team to Participate in the Second United States Social Forum." 24(2): 7, 2009

Weekly columnist for *Daily Egyptian*, Southern Illinois University's daily, "Eye on Earth" column, 2003

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Occasional reviewer for *American Journal of Sociology*, *Mobilization: An International Journal*, and *Ethics & Global Politics*

Distinguished Book Committee member, Labor and Labor Movements Section of the

American Sociological Association, 2008-9

Designer and manager of the website of the Network Institute for Global Democratization  
- North America, 2007-present

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### *University of Notre Dame*

Department representative in the Graduate Student Union, 2009-present

New Graduate Students Guide committee, 2008-2009

### *Southern Illinois University Carbondale*

Vice-president of Graduate and Professional Student Council, 2005

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

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Volunteer/organizer and publicity committee chair for Michiana Call To Action/  
Michiana Social Forum, South Bend, Indiana, 2007-2008

Facilitator for Study Circles initiative "Conversations for Community Action" of Human Relations Commission of City Council, Carbondale, Illinois, 2003-2007

Coordinator of National Issues Forum group for Jackson County, Illinois, 2002-2003

Co-host of *Musica Tropical*, WDBX, 91.1 FM, Community Radio for Southern Illinois, 2002-2007

## **LANGUAGES**

Bulgarian (native)

French (fluent)

Spanish (near fluent)

Esperanto (advanced)

Russian (reading and understanding)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association  
International Studies Association  
International Network for Social Network Analysis  
Sociologists without Borders