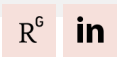


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education	May 2026 2019 - 2022 2020 - 2022 May 2021 2017 - 2019 Jun - Aug 2018 Jun - Jul 2016 2013 - 2017	Doctor of Sociological Sciences Degree Yerevan State University [Armenia] PhD in Sociology Yerevan State University [Armenia] <i>Thesis: Social Mobilization in the Context of the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict: Sociological Conceptualization of Group and Structural Factors</i> Master of Social Science Degree in Peace and Conflict Studies Uppsala University [Sweden] <i>Thesis: Horizontal Inequalities in the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict: Studying the Emergence of the Karabakh Movement</i> PhD course in Dynamics of Armed Conflict Peace Research Institute Oslo, European University Institute, University of Oslo [Norway] Master's Degree in Sociology Research Methodology Diploma of Excellence Yerevan State University [Armenia] <i>Thesis: Participatory Action Research as a Methodology for Accumulation of Practical Knowledge on Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict</i> Graduate course in Peace Research University of Oslo; Peace Research Institute Oslo [Norway] Undergraduate course in Local, State and Federal Public Policymaking Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL [USA] Bachelor's Degree in Sociology Conflict Studies Diploma of Excellence Yerevan State University [Armenia] <i>Thesis: The Sociological Interpretation of Nagorno-Karabakh Voluntary Movement in the Context of the Four-Day War</i>
employment	Dec 2025 - present Sep 2019 - present Jun 2025 - present Jan 2025 - present Jul 2022 - Dec 2025 Jun 2020 - Jun 2022 Sep 2021 - Jan 2022 Aug - Nov 2022 2018 - 2019 Jul - Dec 2017 Mar - Jul 2017	Caucasus Research Resource Center - Armenia Foundation Research Director [Armenia] Department of Sociology, Yerevan State University Associated Lecturer [Armenia] Research Laboratory for Agency and Institutional Change, Yerevan State University Scientific Researcher [Armenia] YSU Center for Continuing Education Associated Lecturer [Armenia] Caucasus Research Resource Center - Armenia Foundation Deputy Research Director [Armenia] Societ Expert Centre Program and Communications Coordinator [Armenia] Swedish Defense University, Stockholm Research Assistant [Sweden] Centre for Peace Studies UiT - The Arctic University of Norway, Tromsø Program Assistant [Norway] Caucasus Research Resource Center - Armenia Foundation Communications Specialist [Armenia] Center for Information and Analytics Government of Armenia Data Quality Control Specialist [Armenia] Non-Discrimination and Equality Coalition NGO Project Assistant [Armenia]
consultancy	2024 - 2025 2022 - 2024 2023 - 2024 2019 - 2021 May 2020 - Aug 2020 Dec 2019 - Apr 2020 Aug 2019 - Apr 2020 Apr - Jul 2019 Nov 2018 - Jul 2019 Sep - Dec 2018 2015 - 2018	YSU Center for Continuing Education Educational Program Development Expert [Armenia] Disability Rights Agenda NGO Lead Researcher [Armenia] Human Rights Research Center NGO Research Trainer [Armenia] Caucasus Research Resource Center - Armenia Foundation Associated Researcher [Armenia] Media Initiatives Center Lead Researcher [Armenia] UNDP Armenia Evaluation Assistant [Armenia] Eurasia Partnership Foundation - Armenia Lead Researcher ["Black Sea Trust" Program] [Armenia] Peaceful Change Initiative Lead Researcher [UK] "Alter'notion" Project on Cross-Border Multimedia Storytelling Head Organizer [funded by EU] [Armenia] Human Rights Research Center NGO Sociologist [Armenia] Disability-Inclusive Development NGO Sociologist [Armenia]
conferences	Aug 2026 Dec 2023 June 2023 Mar 2023 Sep 2021 Jun 2019 Aug 2018 Oct 2017 Oct 2016 Sep 2016 Nov 2015	"17th ESA Conference", European Sociological Association [Poland] "Human Rights Research in Armenia: Current and Emerging Issues. Conference", Raoul Wallenberg Institute [Armenia] "9th Annual CRRC Conference 'New Frontiers: The South Caucasus Amidst New Challenges'", CRRC-Georgia [Georgia] "8th European Congress of Local Governments", Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies [Poland] "15th ESA Conference", European Sociological Association [Spain] "Local Roots of Global Peace", Eurasia International University [Armenia] "Peace Research Graduate Conference", Peace Research Institute Oslo [Norway] "Annual International Student Conference", Yerevan State University [Armenia] "International Conference: Security Problems of Modern Societies", Yerevan State University [Armenia] "The European Integration: Armenian and Georgian Perspectives", Center for Social Sciences [Georgia] "Annual Student Conference", Yerevan State University [Armenia]
trainings	Aug 2025 Apr 2019 Jan 2019; Sep 2018 Feb 2019; 2017; 2015 Jun 2018 Feb 2016 Jan 2016 Sep 2015	European Forum Alpbach 2025 Forum on (geo)politics, civil society, science, and culture for strong and democratic Europe [Austria] Training of Trainers: Introducing Peace Education in Non-Formal Education Training by Academy for Peace and Development [Georgia] Silenced Populations and Tabooed Topics. Dialogue Dialogue project by Imagine Center for Conflict Transformation [Turkey] ISFiT International Student Festival on Migration (2019), Discrimination (2017) & Corruption (2015) [Norway] GrIStuF International Student Festival in Greifswald "Beyond Borders" [Germany] Conflict Transformation School Conflict transformation training by Eurasia Partnership Foundation [Armenia] Youth DOC Movie Makers Erasmus+ workshop on documentary movie making [Poland] Youth Peace Camp Conflict transformation training by Council of Europe [Hungary]
volunteering	2020 - 2021 2016 - 2021 2018 - 2020 2015 - 2016 2013 - 2016	Pax et Bellum Head of Marketing and Public Relations [Sweden] ISFiT Ambassador in Armenia [Norway] GrIStuF Member of Organizing Team [Germany] UN Armenia Communications Intern at the Department of Public Information [Armenia] Student Scientific Society of YSU Chairman of Media Committee; Faculty President [Armenia]
in media	2024 2024 2023 2020 2021 2021 2018	The era of "naqd": War as context of life Interview with Lianna Khachatryan, Business FM 106.5 [Armenian] We have a poor idea of our society Big Bang podcast with Lianna Khachatryan, Business FM 106.5 [Armenian] Essential conversation Anthropology series with Aghasi Tadevosyan, Boon TV [Armenian] Manipulations Encyclomedia podcast. Media.am [Armenian] Almost public opinion and a little bit of statistics: What's a journalist to do? Vox Populi column, Media.am [Armenian] Society of "no war, no peace" Meaningful Talk series, Boon TV [Armenian] Big answers, small aspects Socioblogy [Armenian]

languages	soft skills	technical skills
Armenian ————— native	• creative, strategic & critical thinking	MS Office [Word • Excel • Outlook • PowerPoint]
English ————— near-native	• visionary, servant, DEI-focused leadership	NVivo • SPSS • R • UCINET
Russian ————— B2	• stress, change & conflict management	Atlassian Products • Wordpress • Blogspot • Canva
Swedish ————— A1	• negotiation, mediation, coaching & mentoring	Adobe Suite [Illustrator • Premiere Pro • After Effects]
Norwegian ————— A1	• active listening & effective communication	
	• process mining & enhancement	