

## **MITCHELL A. ORENSTEIN**

S. Richard Hirsch Associate Professor of European Studies  
Johns Hopkins University, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies  
1619 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036  
tel: 202-663-5796 / [morenstein@jhu.edu](mailto:morenstein@jhu.edu)

## **PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, July 2007 to Present  
S. Richard Hirsch Associate Professor of European Studies, Paul H. Nitze School of  
Advanced International Studies.

MAXWELL SCHOOL OF SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, August 1998 to July 2007  
Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Political Science, 2004-2007  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 1998-2004  
Director, Syracuse University Center for European Studies, 2003-2007

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Spring 2001 to Spring 2002  
[Fellow](#), Strengthening Democratic Institutions Project, Kennedy School of Government

BROWN UNIVERSITY, July 1996 to June 1998  
Post-Doctoral Fellow, Thomas J. Watson Institute for International Studies  
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

YALE UNIVERSITY, Fall 1997  
Lecturer, Department of Political Science

## **EDUCATION**

YALE UNIVERSITY  
Ph.D. 1996. M.A. 1993. Department of Political Science. Qualifying examinations:  
Comparative politics (distinction), political economy, contemporary political theory.

Winner of the 1997 Gabriel A. Almond Award of the American Political Science  
Association for the Best Doctoral Dissertation in Comparative Politics.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
A.B. cum laude in Social Studies June 1989.

## **BOOKS AUTHORED**

Privatizing Pensions: The Transnational Campaign for Social Security Reform. Mitchell A.  
Orenstein. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2008.

Roma in an Expanding Europe: Breaking the Poverty Cycle. Dena Ringold, Mitchell A.  
Orenstein, and Erika Wilkens. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 2005.

Out of the Red: Building Capitalism and Democracy in Post-Communist Europe. Mitchell  
A. Orenstein. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press, 2001.

## **BOOKS EDITED**

Pensions, Social Security, and the Privatization of Risk, ed. Mitchell A. Orenstein. New York, NY: Columbia University Press, 2009.

Transnational Actors in Central and East European Transitions, eds. Mitchell A. Orenstein, Stephen L. Bloom, and Nicole Lindstrom. University of Pittsburgh Press, 2008.

Pension Reform in Europe: Process and Progress, eds. Robert Holzmann, Mitchell A. Orenstein, and Michal Rutkowski. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 2003.

Left Parties and Social Policy in Postcommunist Europe, eds. Linda J. Cook, Mitchell A. Orenstein and Marilyn Rueschemeyer. Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1999.

## **JOURNAL ARTICLES, WORKING PAPERS, AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

Katya Kalandadze and Mitchell A. Orenstein. Electoral Protests and Democratization: Beyond the Color Revolutions. Comparative Political Studies 42:11 (November 2009).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. What Happened to East European (Political) Economies? A Balance Sheet for Neoliberal Reform. East European Politics and Societies (forthcoming 2009).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. Transnational Actors in Central and East European Pension Reform. In Alfio Cerami and Pieter Vanhuysse, eds., Postcommunist Welfare Pathways: Theorizing Social Policy Transformations in Central and Eastern Europe. UK: Palgrave Macmillan (forthcoming 2009).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. Postcommunist Welfare States. Journal of Democracy 19:4 (October 2008).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. Out-Liberalizing the EU: Pension Privatization in Central and Eastern Europe. Journal of European Public Policy 15:6 (September 2008).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. Global Pensions Policy. In Nicola Yeates, ed., Understanding Global Social Policy. UK: Policy Press (2008).

Mitchell A. Orenstein and Hans Peter Schmitz. The New Transnationalism and Comparative Politics. Comparative Politics 38:4 (July 2006).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. The New Pension Reforms as Global Policy. Global Social Policy 5:2 (August 2005).

Mitchell A. Orenstein and Martine R. Haas. 2005. Globalization and the Development of Welfare States in Central and Eastern Europe. In Miguel Glatzer and Dietrich Rueschemeyer, eds., Globalization and the Future of the Welfare State. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press.

- Mitchell A. Orenstein. 2003. Mapping the Diffusion of Pension Innovation. In Pension Reform in Europe: Process and Progress, eds. Robert Holzmann, Mitchell A. Orenstein, and Michal Rutkowski, eds. Washington, DC: The World Bank.
- Mitchell A. Orenstein and Martine R. Haas. Globalization and the Development of Welfare States in Central and Eastern Europe. BCSIA Working Paper. John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (February 2002).
- Ilian G. Cashu and Mitchell A. Orenstein. The Pensioners' Court Campaign: Making Law Matter in Russia. East European Constitutional Review 10:4 (Fall 2001).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein and Lisa E. Hale. 2001. Corporatist Renaissance in Postcommunist Central Europe? In The Politics of Labor in a Global Age: Continuity and Change in Late-Industrializing and Post-Socialist Economies, eds. Christopher Candland and Rudra Sil. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. How Politics and Institutions Affect Pension Reform in Three Postcommunist Countries. World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 2310 (March 2000).
- Linda J. Cook and Mitchell A. Orenstein. 1999. The Return of the Left and its Impact on the Welfare State in Russia, Poland and Hungary. In Left Parties and Social Policy in Postcommunist Europe, eds. Linda J. Cook, Mitchell A. Orenstein and Marilyn Rueschemeyer. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.
- Linda J. Cook, Mitchell A. Orenstein, and Marilyn Rueschemeyer. 1999. Conclusions. In Left Parties and Social Policy in Postcommunist Europe, eds. Linda J. Cook, Mitchell A. Orenstein and Marilyn Rueschemeyer. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. A Genealogy of Communist Successor Parties in East Central Europe and the Determinants of their Success. East European Politics and Societies 12:3 (Fall 1998).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. Lawlessness From Above and Below: Economic Radicalism and Political Institutions. SAIS Review 18:1 (Winter-Spring 1998).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. Vaclav Klaus: Revolutionary and Parliamentarian. East European Constitutional Review 7:1 (Winter 1998).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein and Raj Desai. State Power and Interest Group Formation: The Business Lobby in the Czech Republic. Problems of Post-Communism 44:6 (November-December 1997).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. Transitional Social Policy in the Czech Republic and Poland. Czech Sociological Review 3:2 (1995).
- Mitchell A. Orenstein. 1995. The Czech Tripartite Council and its Contribution to Social Peace. In Evolution of Interest Representation and Development of the Labour Market

in Post-Socialist Countries, eds. Jerzy Hausner, Ove K. Pedersen, Karsten Ronit.  
Cracow: Cracow Academy of Economic and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

Karla Brom and Mitchell Orenstein. The Privatised Sector in the Czech Republic: Government and Bank Control in a Transitional Economy. Europe-Asia Studies 46:6 (1994).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. Voucher Privatization and Restructuring in Slovakia. Prague: Institute for EastWest Studies (1994).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. The Political Success of Neo-Liberalism in the Czech Republic. Prague: CERGE-EI Working Paper 68 (June 1994).

Mitchell A. Orenstein. 1994. Report from the Workshop. In Investment Funds as Intermediaries of Privatization, eds. Marko Simoneti and Dusan Triska. Ljubljana: Central and Eastern European Privatization Network.

## **SHORTER ARTICLES AND REVIEWS**

Mitchell A. Orenstein. From Neoliberalism to No Liberalism. Project Syndicate newspaper column published in:  
Guatemala Times (December 5, 2008).  
Daily News Egypt December 10, 2008).  
Taipei Times (December 14, 2008).  
Daily Times (Pakistan) (December 18, 2008).  
Jamaica News Bulletin (February 6, 2008).

Mitchell A. Orenstein and Serhiy Kudelia. A Stolen Election. The Moscow Times (February 27, 2008).

Ilian Cashu and Mitchell A. Orenstein. Buying the Pensioners' Vote. The Moscow Times (December 4, 2007).

Back on Track: Polish Voters Give EU a Thumb's Up. SAISPHERE (December 2007).

Review of Susan Rose-Ackerman, *From Elections to Democracy: Building Accountable Government in Hungary and Poland*, Governance 19:2 (April 2006).

Review of Hilary Appel, *A New Capitalist Order: Privatization and Ideology in Russia and Eastern Europe*, Perspectives on Politics 4:1 (March 2006).

Review of Wade Jacoby, *The Enlargement of the European Union and NATO*, Comparative Political Studies 38:7 (September 2005).

Review of Jane Leftwich Curry and Joan Barth Urban, eds., *The Left Transformed in Post-Communist Societies: The Cases of East-Central Europe, Russia, and Ukraine*, Slavic Review 63:4 (Winter 2004).

Review of Gerald A. McDermott, *Embedded Politics: Industrial Networks & Institutional Change in Postcommunism*, Contemporary Sociology 33:2 (March 2004).

Review of Karen E. Smith, *The Making of EU Foreign Policy: The Case of Eastern Europe*, International Studies Review, Winter 2000.

Review of Francois Seurot, *Les causes economiques de la fin de l'Empire sovietique*, Slavic Review 56:1 (Spring 1997).

The Failures of Neo-Liberal Social Policy in Central Europe. Transition (28 June 1996).

Poland: Who's Right? Who's Left? Transition (11 August 1995).

Poland: Presidential Possibilities. Transition (15 April 1995).

The Velvet Glove on the Iron Fist. Central European Business Week (June 3-9, 1994).

A Tragedy of Errors: Czechoslovakia's avoidable 'Velvet Divorce'. International Forum at Yale (Fall 1992).

## **ARTICLES TRANSLATED INTO FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Dileme izgradnje demokratske drzve u Slovackoj. Politicka Misao 33:2-3 (1996) (Croatian) (coauthor: Jonathan Stein).

Czeska rada trojstronna i jej znaczenie dla pokoju spolecznego. In Negocjacje: droga do paktu spolecznego, ed. Tadeusz Kowalak. Warsaw: Institute of Labor and Social Studies (1995) (Polish).

Investicne spolocnosti a fondy sa podielaju na restrukturalizacii privatizovanych firm. Trend (25 January 1995) (Slovak).

Investicne fondy, spolocnosti a kuponova privatizacia. Trend (18 January 1995) (Slovak).

Kuponova Privatizacia a Restrukturalizacia na Slovensku. Prague: Institute for EastWest Studies (1994) (Slovak).

## **MAJOR INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS**

FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, 2006-10. Co-Principal Investigator for Title VI US Department of Education Grant for Cornell University/Syracuse University Graduate Fellowship Program in European Studies. \$1,500,000.

NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES, 2006-10. Co-Principal Investigator for Title VI US Department of Education Grant for Cornell/Syracuse University National Resource Center for European Studies. \$872,000

FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, 2003-06.  
Co-Principal Investigator for Title VI US Department of Education Grant for  
Cornell/Syracuse University Graduate Fellowship Program in Trans-European Studies.  
\$894,000.

NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES, 2003-06. Co-  
Principal Investigator for Title VI US Department of Education Grant for  
Cornell/Syracuse University National Resource Center for Trans-European Studies.  
\$749,000

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

EUROPEAN UNION CENTER OF EXCELLENCE, 2008-10  
Grant for Political Economy of Transition Class Trip to Central and Eastern Europe  
during January Intersession, 2009 and 2010.

WORLD BANK EUROPE/CENTRAL ASIA KNOWLEDGE FAIR VOTER'S  
CHOICE AWARD FOR MOST INNOVATIVE ANALYTICAL AND ADVISORY  
ACTIVITY, 2004  
For Roma in an Expanding Europe: Breaking the Poverty Cycle.

MACARTHUR FOUNDATION RESEARCH AND WRITING GRANT, 2001-02

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES, SPRING 2001  
AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LEARNED SOCIETIES

WOODROW WILSON CENTER RESEARCH SCHOLAR, SUMMER 2000

HARVARD CENTER FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES VISITING SCHOLAR, SUMMER  
1999

GABRIEL A. ALMOND AWARD, 1997  
Best Dissertation in Comparative Politics  
American Political Science Association

VISITING SCHOLAR, NUFFIELD COLLEGE, OXFORD UNIVERSITY, 1996

YALE DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP, 1995-96

WOODROW WILSON CENTER RESEARCH GRANT, SUMMER 1995

IREX INDIVIDUAL ADVANCED RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP, 1994-95

WOODROW WILSON CENTER SEMINAR IN EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES, 1994  
Summer Seminar for Young Scholars in East European Studies

HENRY HART RICE ADVANCED RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP, 1993-94  
Yale Center for International and Area Studies

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP FOR EAST-CENTRAL EUROPE,  
1993

Institute of International Education, New York

ADVANCED GRADUATE TRAINING GRANT (HONORARY), 1993-94

ACLS-SSRC Joint Committee on Eastern Europe

PRE-DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP (HONORARY), SUMMER 1993

Council for European Studies, Columbia University

SUMMER LANGUAGE TRAINING GRANT, SUMMER 1992

ACLS-SSRC Joint Committee on Eastern Europe

YALE UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP, 1991-95

HARVARD COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP, 1985-87

### **SELECTED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS**

“Pensions, Social Security, and the Privatization of Risk”

- Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, March 27, 2009
- Johns Hopkins SAIS, Washington, DC, February 26, 2009

“Postcommunist Welfare States”

- University of Toronto, Munk Center for International Studies, February 6, 2009.

“The End of Neoliberalism”

- Johns Hopkins SAIS, Washington, DC, March 23, 2009
- International Studies Association, New York, February 16, 2009
- University of Sofia, Bulgaria, January 15, 2009

“Out-Liberalizing the EU: Pension Privatization in Central and Eastern Europe”

- CEE after Georgia Conference, Johns Hopkins SAIS, 2008
- ESPANet Conference, Helsinki, Finland, 2008
- University of Minnesota, Center for Austrian Studies, 2008
- University of Warwick, UK, 2007
- British Association of Slavonic and East European Studies Annual Meeting, 2007

“The Emergence of Continental-Liberal Welfare Regimes in Central and Eastern Europe”

- University of Pennsylvania, 2008
- Cracow University of Economics, 2007
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 2006

“Electoral Protests and Democratization: Beyond the Color Revolutions”

- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2006

Additional Presentations

- Cornell University Conference on European Identity, 2006
- International Studies Association Annual Conference, 2006
- Transnational and National Politics in Postcommunist Europe Conference, Syracuse University, 2005
- American Political Science Association, 2005
- NSF Planning Workshop on Postcommunist Studies, Collegium Budapest, 2005
- Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 2005
- Conference on European Union Accession, Claremont/McKenna College, 2005
- Globalization and Social Policy Network, McMaster University, 2004
- Central and East European Student Interest Group, Syracuse University, 2004
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2003
- Watson Institute Planning Conference on Social Protection, Brown University, 2003
- Murphy Institute Conference on Policy Learning, Tulane University, 2003
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 2002
- American Political Science Association, 2002
- Kennedy School of Government Seminar, Harvard University, 2002
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 2001
- American Political Science Association, 2001
- Hebrew University Conference on the Fall of Communism, Jerusalem, 2001
- World Bank/IIASA Conference on Pension Reform, Vienna, 2001
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 2000
- Conference on Western Influences on CEE Transitions, Bratislava, 2000
- American Sociological Association, 2000
- Goekjian Lecture, Syracuse University, 2000
- International Conference of Europeanists, 2000
- Harvard Center for European Studies, 1999
- World Bank Conference on Pension Reform, Washington, 1999
- Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University, 1999
- Cornell Institute for European Studies, 1999
- World Bank Brown Bag Seminar, 1998
- International Conference of Europeanists, 1998
- Open Society Institute, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 1998
- MIT Sloan School Executive Education Program, 1998
- Harvard Center for European Studies, 1997
- Yale Colloquium in International Security, 1997
- Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University, 1997
- American Political Science Association, 1996
- Northeast Political Science Association, 1996
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 1996
- International Conference of Europeanists, 1996
- University of Warwick, UK, 1996
- Max-Planck-Gesellschaft, Berlin, 1995
- Institute of Labor Studies, Warsaw, 1995
- Central European University Department of Sociology, 1994

## **OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

THE WORLD BANK

Consultant, 1998-2003

Roma Poverty Project, Political Economy of Pension Reform Project.

THE ECONOMIST INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Freelance Writer. London, 1996 to 1999.

Wrote quarterly political-economic Country Forecast for Poland.

EAST EUROPEAN CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW

Affiliate. Budapest, Summer 1998 to Summer 1999.

Wrote quarterly Czech Republic constitutional updates.

INSEAD

Research Fellow. Fontainebleau, France, Summer 1996.

Cooperated on research project on voucher privatization in 17 post-communist countries.

INSTITUTE FOR EAST-WEST STUDIES

Research Affiliate. Prague and Warsaw, 1993-95.

Conducted research on privatization investment funds in the Czech Republic and managed a research project on voucher privatization in Slovakia for the Slovak Ministry of Privatization.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Johns Hopkins University

Associate Professor. School of Advanced International Studies, Fall 2007 to Present

- Comparative National Systems, graduate core course, Fall 2009.
- Free Market in Crisis, graduate seminar, Spring 2009
- Political Economy of Transition in Central and Eastern Europe, graduate course, Spring 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009
- Europe since the Cold War, graduate course, Fall 2008
- European Social Model, graduate course, Spring 2007
- Varieties of Capitalism, graduate course, Fall 2007
- Democracy and Democratization in Europe, graduate course, Fall 2007

Syracuse University

Associate Professor. Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, 2004 to 2007.

- Democracy and Democratization, graduate seminar, Fall 2004-2006
- Contemporary Political Transitions, advanced undergraduate class, 2004-2006.
- Politics of Post-Communist Europe, 2006.
- Global Europe Seminar, graduate seminar for international relations students, Fall 2004.

Assistant Professor. Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, 1998 to 2004.

- Research and Writing Seminar, required graduate seminar, Fall 2003.
- International Organizations, advanced undergraduate class, Spring 2003.
- Contemporary Political Transitions, advanced undergraduate class, Fall 2002.
- Politics of Russia, Central and Eastern Europe, advanced undergraduate class, Fall 2002.
- Comparative Welfare States, graduate seminar, Spring 2000.
- Global Community, team-taught undergraduate intro course, Fall 1999.
- Comparative Government, undergraduate introductory course, Spring-Fall 1999.
- Post-Communist Social Policy, graduate seminar, Spring 1999.

- Transitions to a Market Economy, advanced undergraduate seminar, Fall 1998.

#### Moscow State University

- Visiting Assistant Professor, Maxwell School/Institute of Public Administration Partnership, Fall 2000.
- Public Administration and Democracy, Fall 2000.

#### Brown University

Adjunct Assistant Professor, International Relations and Political Science, 1996-1998.

- Transformations in Eastern Europe, international relations senior seminar.
- Course Development Grant for a cross-regional comparative course on Latin America, Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union with Professor Linda Cook, Summer 1997.

#### Yale University

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Fall 1997.

- Democracy and Markets in Eastern Europe, undergraduate/graduate seminar.

Teaching Fellow, Department of Political Science, 1992-93.

- The New Europe of the 1990s with Professor David Cameron.
- Theories of International Relations with Assistant Professor Alex Wendt.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- Johns Hopkins SAIS, Admissions Committee, 2007-Present.
- International Advisory Board Member, Global Social Policy, 2005-Present.
- American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), Committee on the Future of AAASS, 2002.
- Co-Director, Welfare States and Social Policy Network, Council for European Studies, 2003-04.
- Article Reviewer for Administrative Science Quarterly, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Politics, Comparative Political Studies, East European Politics and Societies, Europe-Asia Studies, European Journal of Social Policy, Global Governance, Global Social Policy, Governance, Journal of Politics, Slavic Review, Social Forces, Studies in Comparative International Development, and World Politics.
- Book Reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, Palgrave MacMillan, Princeton University Press.

### **LANGUAGES**

Proficient in French, Czech, Polish and Slovak. Beginning German and Russian.