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#### **EDUCATION**

2010	Postgraduate Diploma	Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences / University of Manchester
	in Sociology	
2005	Ph.D. (Candidate of Sciences degree)	Institute for National Issues in Education
	in Education	Thesis "Minorities education reform in transforming society: Case of Mordovia Republic."
2001	Specialist	Mordovian State Pedagogical Institute
	in Education (with Distinction)	

# AREAS OF REASEARCH INTERESTS

Causal analysis of effects in education, educational inequality, educational policy and economics of education, sociology of education, field experiments and quasi-experiments, statistical analysis

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

As a researcher I have experience in working out research design, organization of large scale field studies including randomized experiments or surveys, statistical data analysis and academic publications/reports preparation. As a laboratory head I'm also experienced in organization of a team or other researchers work.

2017 – present	Laboratory Head, International Laboratory of Educational Policy Analysis at the National Research University Higher School of Economics;
	Lead Research Fellow, National Research University Higher School of Economics
2013 – 2016	Deputy Head, International Laboratory of Educational Policy Analysis at the National Research University Higher School of Economics
2013 - present	Associate professor, National Research University Higher School of Economics
2013 - present	Lecturer, Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences
2008 – 2013	Senior Research Fellow, National Research University Higher School of Economics
2007 – 2008	Associate Professor, Moscow Humanitarian Pedagogical Institute
2005 – 2007	Senior Research Fellow, Federal Institute for Educational Development

## MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECTS FOR THE LAST 5 YEARS

2019 — Mechanisms of social inequality in school education. *Project of Higher School of Economics* 

- Experimental estimation of the effect of computer assisting learning on students' outcomes in primary school. *Project with Yandex.Education*
- Approbation of history electronic lessons in the 5th grade in Russian schools. Project with Sberbank

- Economic cost of inequity of educational performance in Russian Federation. World Bank project.
  - Monetary and non-monetary inequalities in modern societies: Objective situation and perception by the population. *Project of Higher School of Economics*.
  - Analysis of the World Skills examination results in Russia in 2018. Project with World Skills-Russia.
  - Schools and teachers' characteristics, students' educational outcomes and educational trajectories in the context of social inequality. Project of Higher School of Economics.
- 2017 Social inequality, factors of school education quality, and students' choice of educational trajectory. *Project of Higher School of Economics*.
  - The role of educational policy in academic achievements, changing of inequality and segregation of school students. Wolrd Bank project.
- 2016 Factors affecting quality of education, educational outcomes and social inequality. Based on *Project of Higher School of Economics*.
  - Possible ways to increase PISA outcomes: Analysis based on Russia and international data. Project of Moscow City Education Department.
  - In-depth analysis of Russia results in international studies of school education quality (TIMSS, PISA). Project of Federal Service for Supervision in Education and Science (Rosobrnadsor).
- 2015 School factors affecting students' outcomes, educational inequality and students' educational trajectories

## **TEACHING**

- 2018- Inequality Research in Education (Master's programme; National Research University Higher School of Economics, Institute of Education; 2 year). Course in English
  - Research in Education Advanced Level (Master's programme; HSE Institute of Education; 2 year)
- 2013- Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Research in Education (Master's programme; National Research University Higher School of Economics, Institute of Education; 2 year). Course in English
- 2016- Data Interpretation: Educational system quality evaluation (Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences)
- 2013- National and International programs for evaluation of education quality (Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences)

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- 2014 Internship at Stanford University (USA)
- The Institute on Statistical Analysis for Education Policy: Causal Inference, The American Educational Research Association (AERA)
- 2012 Causal Models and Structural Equations, National Research University Higher School of Economics
- 2012 Hierarchical Models with R, University of Essex
- 2011 Applied Multivariate Analysis, Utrecht University
- Use of the Results of National and International Evaluation in Education for Educational Policy Development, World Bank Institute (Russia)
- 2009 Strategic Choices for Education Reform, World Bank Institute (Russia)

#### **LANGUAGES**

Russian (native); English (fluent)

# MAIN PUBLICATIONS

Lazareva, O., & Zakharov, A. (2019). School Financing, Teacher Wages and Educational Outcomes: Evidence from the Russian School System. *Teacher Wages and Educational Outcomes: Evidence from the Russian School System*. Social Science Research Network. Series "SSRN Working Paper Series"

Loyalka, P., Zakharov, A., & Kuzmina, Y. (2018). Catching the Big Fish in the Little Pond Effect: Evidence from 33 Countries and Regions. *Comparative Education Review*, *62*(4), 542-564.

Zakharov, A., Tsheko, G., & Carnoy, M. (2016). Do "better" teachers and classroom resources improve student achievement? A causal comparative approach in Kenya, South Africa, and Swaziland. *International Journal of Educational Development*, *50*, 108-124.

Loyalka, P., & Zakharov, A. (2016). Does shadow education help students prepare for college? Evidence from Russia. *International Journal of Educational Development*, 49, 22-30.

Carnoy, M., Khavenson, T., Loyalka, P., Schmidt, W. H., & Zakharov, A. (2016). Revisiting the relationship between international assessment outcomes and educational production: Evidence from a longitudinal PISA-TIMSS sample. *American Educational Research Journal*, *53*(4), 1054-1085.

Zakharov, A., & Carnoy, M. (2015). Are teachers accurate in predicting their students' performance on high stakes' exams? The case of Russia. *International Journal of Educational Development*, 43, 1-11.

Zakharov, A., Carnoy, M., & Loyalka, P. (2014). Which teaching practices improve student performance on high-stakes exams? Evidence from Russia. *International Journal of Educational Development*, *36*, 13-21.