

**Ana M. Velitchkova**

**Curriculum Vitae** (January 22, 2008)

**Professional Address**

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**EDUCATION**

***Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology***, University of Notre Dame, in progress  
Areas of concentration: Political Sociology, Social Movements, Peace Studies

***Master of Arts, Political Science***, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, expected 2008. Fields: Comparative Politics, American Politics, and International Relations  
Thesis: “Deliberative Democracy and the Study Circles in Carbondale, Illinois”

***Master of Arts, Foreign Languages and Literatures***, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, 2004. Research paper: “Multilingualism and Identity”

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

**MANUSCRIPTS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Velitchkova, Ana. “From Porto Alegre to Live 8: Mainstreaming the Global Call to Action against Poverty.” In preparation for chapter in edited volume. To be presented at the International Studies Association Conference, San Francisco, California. March 2008.

Velitchkova, Ana. "The Role of International Influences and Transnational Social Movements in the Eastern European Transitions of 1989." Invited paper at "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.

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.

## **RESEARCH**

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

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-present

U.S. Social Forum research project. With a team of researchers from several North American universities, Atlanta, Georgia. Field: June-July 2007; Post field: till present

## **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)

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Velitchkova, Ana. 2007. "The U.S. Social Forum: Foundation of a New Public Sphere." *Common Sense* 22(1): 8-9.

Velitchkova, Ana. 2003. "Eye on Earth." *Daily Egyptian*, Southern Illinois University's daily, weekly column.

## **OTHER PRESENTATIONS**

US Social Forum Report Back speaker, University of Notre Dame, and South Bend, Indiana, 2007

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Referee for *Mobilization: An International Journal*

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

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

*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/Toward a 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

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

Invitation 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.

Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, Department of Sociology, 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

## **LANGUAGES**

Bulgarian (native)  
French (fluent)  
Spanish (near fluent)  
Russian (advanced)

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

International Studies Association  
American Sociological Association