MARIA PLAKHTIEVA

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EDUCATION

University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom *2021 - exp. 2027*
PhD, Economics
Dissertation on *How do health shocks impact individual preferences?*

Paris School of Economics (PSE), Paris, France *2020 - 2021*
M.A., Analysis and Policy in Economics
Thesis on *Are preferences fixed? Evidence from health shocks.*

New Economic School (NES), Moscow, Russia *2017 - 2019*
M.A., Economics
Major in Economic Policy, Industrial Organization and Trade, Economic Development
Thesis on *Optimal Allocation of Necessary Resources for Blood Cancer Patients*

Bauman Moscow State Technical University (BMSTU), Moscow, Russia *2015 - 2017*
M.A., Fundamental Sciences, Applied Mathematics
Applied Mechanics specialization
Thesis on *Optical tweezers with a trapped spherical particle*

Bauman Moscow State Technical University (BMSTU), Moscow, Russia *2011 - 2015*
B.A., Fundamental Sciences, Applied Mathematics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconometrics	Health Economics
Labour Economics	Mechanism Design

PAPERS

Incentivizing Participation of Compatible Pairs in Kidney Exchange Programs.
Health Economics {Revise and Rsubmit}
Joint work with Antonio Nicolo[a], Louise Demoor[b], Radu Stefan Mincu[c], Caterina Di Bella[d], Lucrezia Furian[e]. Available at SSRN: http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5105167

[a]University of Padua - Department of Economics; University of Manchester
[b]Paris School of Economics
[c]University of Bucharest
[d]University of Padua
[e]University of Padua

WORK IN PROGRESS

How do health shocks impact individual preferences? Evidence from Employment Decision. *Under supervision of* prof. Martyn Andrews[6]

Measuring the gains of the participation of compatible pairs in the Kidney Exchange Program. *Under supervision of* prof. Antonio Nicolo[7]

What are the limits to private certification? Evidence from an attempt to protect intact forest landscapes. *Joint work with* Kenneth Houngbedji[8], Johanna Joy Isman[9], and Liam Wren-Lewis[10]

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Health and Public Economics: Royal Economic Society Easter School 2023

Experimental and Behavioural Economics: Lancaster PhD Summer School 2022

Ethical Resource Allocations: Summer School, Society for Economic Design, Padova 2022

SEMINARS

IFS Work in Progress seminar (London, November 11, 2026)

University of Manchester Brownbag seminar (Manchester, October 28, 2026)

Tilburg University Econometrics seminar (Tilburg, June 17, 2026)

University of Manchester Brownbag seminar (Manchester, October 11, 2023)

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2026 Asia Meeting of the Econometric Society, East & Southeast Asia (Hanoi, 2026)

Royal Economic Society (RES) Annual Conference (Newcastle, 2026)

North West Social Science Doctoral Training Partnership (NWSSDTP) Conference (Liverpool, 2026)

2026 Asia Meeting of the Econometric Society (Abu Dhabi, 2026)

The Italian Econometric Association (SIdE) 13th Workshop for PhD students in Econometrics and Empirical Economics (Bertinoro, 2025)

Royal Economic Society (RES) PhD Conference (Portsmouth, 2024)

Association of Southern-European Economic Theorists (ASSET) Conference (Lisbon, 2023)

North West Social Science Doctoral Training Partnership (NWSSDTP) Conference (Liverpool, 2023)

New Economic School (NES) Research Conference (Moscow, 2019)

Russian Conference of Young Scientists and Specialists "The Future of Russian Engineering" (Moscow, 2017)

[6]University of Manchester
[7]University of Padova, University of Manchester
[8]DIAL, LEDA, Universite Paris-Dauphine, IRD, Universite PSL
[9]Toulouse School of Economics
[10]Paris School of Economics

SKILLS

Language skills: Russian (native), English (fluent)
Computer skills: MATLAB, WolphramAlpha, STATA, Python, MySQL, LaTex
Other skills: Technical drawing

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

IFS Research Scholar October 2026 – December 2026
Advisor Dr. Sonya Krutikova *London, UK*

Teaching Assistant at the University of Manchester February 2026 – June 2026
Introduction to Mathematical Economics, Dr. David Delacretaz *Manchester, UK*

The Brilliant Club tutor at Manchester October 2025 – January 2026
Economics, Key stage 8, Denton Community Academy *Manchester, UK*

Teaching Assistant at the University of Manchester October 2023 – January 2026
Advanced Mathematics, Dr. Panagiotis Sousounis *Manchester, UK*

Teaching Assistant at the University of Manchester October 2023 – January 2026
Managerial Economics, Dr. Sofia Izquierdo Sanchez *Manchester, UK*

Teaching Assistant at the University of Manchester October 2022 – January 2023
Microeconomics 1, prof. Daniel Rigby *Manchester, UK*

Research Assistant June – September 2021
prof. Kenneth Houngbedji (IRD, France), prof. Liam Wren-Lewis (PSE) *Paris, France*

Project Assistant March 2019 – June 2021
Voluntary National Review (VNR) analysis, prof. Natalya Volchkova *Moscow, Russia*

Research Assistant at NES October 2019 – June 2020
prof. Gerhard Toews, prof. Marta Troya Martinez *Moscow, Russia*

Teaching Assistant at NES September 2019 – June 2020
Natural Resource Economics, prof. Gerhard Toews; Contract Theory and Incentives in Organizations, prof. Marta Troya Martinez and Tatiana Mayskaya; Trade Policy, prof. Natalya Volchkova; Economics, prof. Marta Troya Martinez; Health Economics, prof. Irina Denisova; Industrial Organization, prof. Mikhail Drugov; Institutional Economics, prof. Michele Valsecchi *Moscow, Russia*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Commended, the Economics Tutor Awards at the University of Manchester, 2025 - 2026

Podcast host, GURU NES, 2025 - now

Theater reviewer for JaDar, 2022 - now

Residential Life Advisor at the University of Manchester student hall, 2021 - 2026

PhD student representative at the University of Manchester, 2021 - 2026

Scholars' tutor in mathematics, algebra and geometry, 2015 - 2020

President of a Student Council at NES, 2018 - 2019

Blood donor, 2018 - now