



"Some people have strengths and desires to set goals and go forward to achieve them. Others might have great qualities, but are not resolute enough to go forward alone. Role models help others blossom. My role model is myself. I live every day with a goal to set an example for tomorrow."

– Anjelina
Belakovskaia

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"I am often astounded how Anjelina always arrives at the correct answer, through peculiar methods." Jonathan Goodman, Professor of Mathematics, Courant Institute, NYU

PROFESSOR OF PRACTICE IN FINANCE

Uniquely equipped with interdisciplinary knowledge and extensive experience in trading and risk management, quantitative finance, modeling, business analytics, consulting, and executive leadership. Dedicated to students' success in learning with a proven outstanding ability to teach difficult subjects in a lucid, coherent way and excellent interpersonal and communication skills. Over 10-years of teaching experience at the undergraduate, graduate and MBA levels with highly positive students' feedback and "Truly Exceptional" department evaluations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Thunderbird School of Global Management, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

Senior Lecturer in Global Finance (July 2021 – Present)

Faculty Associate (January 2016 – June 2021)

- ❖ Teaching Global Financial Engineering and Fixed Income classes to students from all over the world, who come to Thunderbird to pursue Master of Global Management degree. Throughout the course, students build thorough knowledge of financial markets, derivatives pricing/valuation models and trading strategies, applying critical-thinking and problem-solving skills to decipher the complexity of financial engagements in dynamic macro-economic environments of increasingly interdependent and integrated global financial markets.

Eller College of Management, The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Senior Lecturer (August of 2020 – June 2021)

Lecturer (January 2011 – July 2020)

- ❖ Teaching Risk Management and Derivatives classes to undergraduate and graduate students, including advanced and applied risk management and case studies of financial disasters. Extensive coverage of futures and options markets, fixed income, interest rates and credit derivatives. Hands-on approach to valuation and modeling, from simple vanilla options to highly complex exotics and structured products. Experimental design of trading and hedging strategies followed by stress tests and VaR analyses. In-depth review of the credit crisis of 2007 and the largest risk management failures.

- ❖ Teaching “Chess, Leadership and Business Strategy” – Honors College
In this highly interactive class, students explore how the skills acquired through chess are applicable to business world, helping managers, executives and CEOs to come up with creative business strategies, plan numerous moves ahead and find unexpected, yet brilliant tactics to gain advantage in today's highly competitive business environment.

Faculty Advisor (January 2016 – June 2021)

- ❖ Guiding MBA students through an exciting hands-on experience, working closely with executives from local and global companies and government to define the scope, objectives, and deliverables for 16-week consulting projects. Helping students to apply their academic knowledge to a real-world business challenge and tackle the complex projects with sound decisions in a time constrained environment.

Committee service:

- ❖ Small Class Re-Entry Sub Committee, Eller College, UA (May 2020 – June 2021)
- ❖ UA Chess Club, Faculty Advisor (January 2018 – June 2021)
- ❖ Executive Board of US Chess Federation, Member-At-Large (August 2015 – August 2018)
- ❖ American Meteorological Society Financial Weather and Climate Risk Management Committee (December 2012 – present)
- ❖ Eller College Financial Management Association, Faculty Advisor (August 2016 – August 2018)
- ❖ Eller College Honors Committee (August 2011 – August 2016)

Breakthrough Business Technologies, Inc. Tucson, AZ

Vice-President (September 2006 – Present)

- ❖ Responsible for business development, market analysis, new ventures evaluation and facilitation.
- ❖ In charge of development, deployment, and implementation of company's web presence.
- ❖ Perform financial analysis of company's business and provide recommendations.

Long Realty and Keller Williams Southern Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Licensed Arizona Real Estate Agent, Realtor® (September 2004 – Present)

- ❖ Extensive experience in residential Real Estate that includes comparative market analysis, marketing, negotiations, consulting, contracts, and other areas of successful deal closing.
- ❖ Real property valuations, commercial real estate and business consulting, strategic assessment of embedded real options, advising on economic environment and investment opportunities in Arizona.
- ❖ Successful web design of user-friendly first page Google ranked SEO-tools for client acquisition.
- ❖ Received President's Club Award in 2005 for outstanding achievements – Long Realty.

Princess Cruise Lines, Ltd.

Guest Lecturer, Princess Cruises. Caribbean, Panama Canal, South America (Spring 2003)

- ❖ Presented a series of lectures on various financial and chess topics, including “Weather & Exotic Derivatives”, “The Rise & Fall of Enron Corporation”, etc.

Williams Energy Marketing & Trading, Tulsa, OK

Senior Portfolio Analyst (July 2002 – September 2002)

- ❖ Contract monetization of EM&T portfolio.
- ❖ Design and implementation of credit and liquidity enhancement strategies.
- ❖ Structured finance and off-balance financing.

Head of the Weather Desk, Weather Derivatives Trader (April 2001 – July 2002)

- ❖ Trading:
 - Personally generated 11% annual profit in a \$10MM weather derivatives portfolio.
 - Used weather derivatives as hedging instruments to reduce overall energy portfolio VAR.
 - Performed historical and Monte Carlo simulation analysis to price exotic derivatives.
 - Worked closely with power and natural gas traders, marketers, origination and structure groups, quants, risk control, legal and tax departments.
- ❖ Origination/Mid-Marketing:
 - Brought in over \$600K extra annual revenue through development and sale of new products to Williams Energy Marketing & Trading utility clients.
- ❖ Structuring:
 - Analyzed Full-Requirements and Tolling Agreements to qualify and quantify weather exposure.
 - Designed and priced various cross-commodity hedging strategies for in-house needs.

Global Equities Group, Inc. New York, NY

Equity Trader (1995-1996)

- ❖ Worked on developing computerized trading algorithms.
- ❖ Analyzed market patterns, designed trading strategies, and advised a team of 15 programmers on generating automated Buy / Sell trading signals.
- ❖ Traded equities for company's portfolio.

Advance Business Trading Group, Ltd.

FX Trader (1994 – 1995)

- ❖ Traded FX futures in DEM, CHF, JPY & GBP. Managed 3 independent trading portfolios for private investors. Achieved positive annual return in all 3 portfolios within 5% - 33% range.

EDUCATION

Belakovskaia earned her master's in Mathematics in Finance from New York University in 2001. Her master's project concentrated on credit default risk and was titled "Basket Default Swap in Emerging Markets". Prior to that, Belakovskaia earned a bachelor's in Economics from Odessa State Agrarian University in Ukraine with GPA 5.0. She graduated in 1990 and spent a few years on postgraduate work on Ph.D. in 1990-1991.

CHESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ❖ **Woman International Grandmaster** – the highest title a chess player can attain – awarded in 1993
- ❖ **World Student Team Champion (USSR Team)** – 1990
- ❖ **3-Time United States Women’s Chess Champion** –1995, 1996 & 1999
- ❖ **Leader of the US Olympic Women’s Chess Team** – 1994, 1996 & 1998
- ❖ **Honored by President of Brooklyn, City of New York** for superlative skills and outstanding achievement – 2000

CHESS EXPERIENCE

- ❖ US Chess Executive Board Member-At-Large (2015-2018)
 - Contributed knowledge, professional expertise, experience, and leadership skills to advance interests of US Chess as both – membership organization and 501(c)3 non-for-profit entity.
 - Provided independent opinion on various subject matters, including finance, chess, fundraising, programming, marketing, legal and more.
 - Directly saved US Chess over \$150,000, through due diligence in vendor contracts verifications and re-thinking of web redesigning approach.
- ❖ Chess Principal/Teacher NYC Public Schools and Belakovskaia Chess Academy, NY, AZ (1991-present)
- ❖ Professional Chess Player, member of the US Olympic Women’s Chess Team (1991-2000)
 - Participated in many National & International tournaments, including Chess Olympiads.
 - Promoted chess through simultaneous exhibitions, lectures, camps & live chess events.
- ❖ Chairperson of Women's Committee of the USCF (1998-2000)
 - Supported women chess activities and promoted women chess around the country.
- ❖ Chess Consultant, IBM and Electric Minds Companies (1997-1998)
 - Provided professional live and Internet online commentaries for the Chess Match between World Champion Garry Kasparov and IBM's Deep Blue II computer.
- ❖ Official Chess Coach of the US Delegation, FIDE World Youth Championship, France (1997-1997)
- ❖ Took part in the movie “Searching for Bobby Fischer” by Paramount Pictures (1992)

PRESS COVERAGE

- ❖ **NYU Alumni Magazine**, “The Incredible True Story of Anjelina Belakovskaia”, Winter 2014-2015
- ❖ **Arizona Public Media**, “US Chess Champion: Game Can Expand Kids' Skills”, May 2014
- ❖ **Business Insider**, "30 Executives Who Are Excellent At Chess", Jun. 24, 2012
- ❖ **The Wall Street Journal**, "Power Outage: How Energy Traders Turned Bonanza into an Epic Bust", 2002
- ❖ **Williams Intranet**, Women's Heritage Month, "Working Women: Advancing the American Spirit", Women profiles: Anjelina Belakovskaia, March 2002
- ❖ **USA Today**, Money Section, "Playing the Weather Game", December 11, 2001
- ❖ **DiscoverE**, (monthly Williams Publication), "Chess Champion plays the trade game", August 2001
- ❖ **Derivatives Strategy**, "Chess Grandmaster Plots Credit Strategy", January 2001
- ❖ **The New York Times**, "CHESS; Third Women's Title Is Won By a Brooklyn Grandmaster", Nov. 21, 1999
- ❖ **Sports Illustrated**, "Anjelina Belakovskaia - women's grandmaster. Good Moves", Women Sport Issue, 1997

INDUSTRY/COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- ❖ Treasurer, University High School Parents' Association (July 2019 – June 2021)
 - Serving as a Treasurer of the University High School Parents' Association (UHS is ranked #22 in the U.S. National Rankings by U.S. News) since July of 2019.
 - Working closely with other Board members to provide support to over 1,200 students, their parents, 50+ teachers, numerous staff, and school's Principal.
 - For 2019 – 2020 academic year, proposed an ambitious, but well-thought-out budget, that exceeded previous 5-year average by 94% percent, and together with other Board members achieved the following results (compared to 5-year average): Actual Annual Revenue of 287%, Actual Annual Expenses of 224% and Actual Annual Profit of 1191%.

- ❖ Board Member, Congregation Beit Simcha, Tucson, AZ (July 2019 – March 2020)
 - Spent 2.5 years actively contributing and building Congregation Beit Simcha from its inception, starting efforts in September of 2017 with a group of like-minded people and concluding in March of 2020. As a Board member, participated in numerous ongoing activities on a weekly basis – Shabbat services, adult education classes, religious and community activities planning, collection of food, clothing and other donations to support refugees, women and children in need, marketing, fundraising and Mitzvah initiatives, member retention and new member recruiting, etc.

- ❖ Principal, Belakovskaia Chess Academy, Tucson, AZ (June 2010 – March 2020)
 - In 2010, started Belakovskaia Chess Academy for children to share her exceptional knowledge and accomplishments as a 3-time US Women's Chess Champion and received an overwhelmingly positive response from the community. The Academy helps Tucson children to develop love for the game, achieve rapid progress and compete at the State, National and International levels.
 - Since 2013, has organized and continues to run the Annual Chess & Science Festivals and All-Female Chess Tournaments at Flandrau Science Center and Planetarium in Tucson, AZ with the mission to have a long-lasting positive influence on participants, parents and observers, through promoting girls' and women's self-esteem, confidence, and ability to compete in intellectual areas and achieve great success in chess and beyond – including math, science, finance, business and life.

Belakovskaia also has been recognized as the "Best Female Employee" – selected at Williams Cos. for her contribution to the Company's success in 2002.

LANGUAGES

English – fluent. Russian – fluent (Native). Accustomed to international business negotiations. Assisted United Nations to arrange and coordinate meeting between New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani and Odessa Mayor Eduard Gurbits in 1995. Extensively traveled in Europe, North and South America (44 Countries).

WORK STATUS / ELIGIBILITY

US Citizen and eligible to work in the US for any company.