



MIGRATION BETWEEN EASTERN PARTNERS (BELARUS, GEORGIA, UKRAINE, MOLDOVA) AND THE VISEGRAD COUNTRIES

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Outline of presentation

- I. Introduction to the Faculty of Geography, Belarusian State University
- II. System of collecting statistical information about migration in Republic of Belarus
- III. Members of Project from Belarus
- IV. Former experience in the research field of population migration



I.

Belarusian State University Faculty of Geography

Department of Economic Geography of Foreign Countries

Year of foundation - 1938.

Directions of scientific researches :
territorial organization of socio-economic geosystems,
geography of world economy, political geography and
geopolitics, demography, geography of population and
labour resources, natural-resource potential and its
estimation, demographic and economic potential of
transfrontal regions.

Department conducts training on bachelor, master and
PhD level of speciality

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specializations "Demography", "Geography of tourism
and excursion management", "Economic geography".

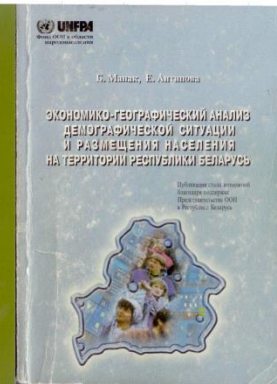
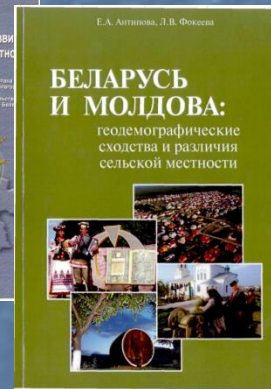
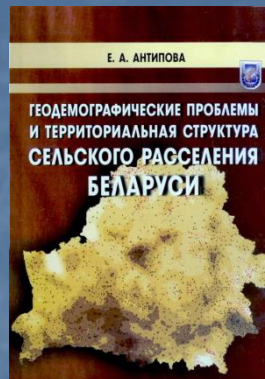


Head of Department –
d.g.s., prof. I.I. Pirozhnik





Scientific school of socio-economic geography



Department of Economic Geography of Foreign Countries



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Basic Courses for Bachelors

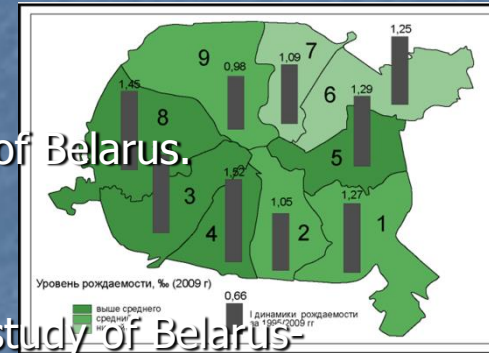
- Introduction to Socio-Economic Geography,
- Methods of Geographical Studies,
- World Population Geography,
- Geography of World Economy, etc.

Specialization “Demography”

| Year of study | Semester | Courses | Academic hours |
|---------------|----------|--|----------------|
| 3 | 5 | Basics of Demography | 68 (40/12/16) |
| 3 | 5 | Family Demography and Gender policy | 34 (24/6/4) |
| 3 | 6 | Ethnic Demography | 68 (48/10/10) |
| 4 | 7 | Medical Geography | 36 (30/4/2) |
| 4 | 7 | Geography of Migrations | 36 (30/4/2) |
| 4 | 8 | Socio-economic Demography | 98 (68/16/14) |
| 4 | 8 | Geourbanistics | 60 (40/14/6) |
| 4 | 8 | Computer modeling and forecasting | 60 (46/8/6) |
| 5 Master | 9 | Population Problems | 36 (26/10) |
| 6 Master | 11 | Structural and Spatial Shifts in the World Economy | 44 (18/4/22) |

Diploma papers

- Spatial and temporal peculiarities of migrations in Belarus (1999-2011);
- Dynamics and structure of migration in Minsk (1989-2009);
- Migration in small towns of Grodno Region;
- Geographical and structural differences of migrations to rural area of Belarus.

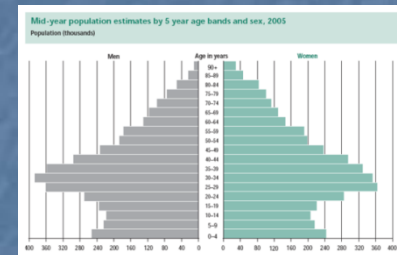


Master theses

- Economic and Geographical analysis of local labour markets (case study of Belarus-Russia border region);
- Migration as a factor of demographic safety of the Republic of Belarus;
- Migration space of the border regions of Republic of Belarus during postsoviet period.

PhD theses

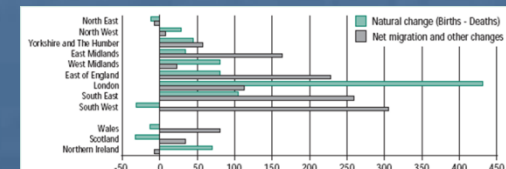
- Economic and Geographical factors of Rural Belarus Depopulation;
- Economic and Geographical characteristic of small towns of Belarus.



Doctoral theses

- Rural settlement of Belarus: territorial structure and geodemographic problems.

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SSRL REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC PROBLEMS



Supervisor of SSRL –
Doctor
of Geographical sciences,
prof. **Antipova E.A**

Year of foundation - 1985. A scientific leader in the period of 1985 - 1998 - the associate professor of economic geography of foreign countries department Manak B.A.

Directions of scientific research:
economic and geographic estimation of character of demographic development and labor force possibilities of rural settlements in the regions of Belarus, demographic losses and modern labor force possibilities of rural locality of Republic of Belarus, economic and geographic analysis of demographic situation and placing of population on territory of the Republic of Belarus, economic potential of border regions, frontier migration.



Courses taught in English at the Faculty of Geography, BSU

- **Population Geography**
- **Geography of Migrations**
- **Demographic Forecasting**
- **Computer Processing and Modeling
in Social Sciences**
- **Population Problems**
- **GIS Analysis**
- **Human Geoecology**

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Main Directions of Migration Studies in BSU

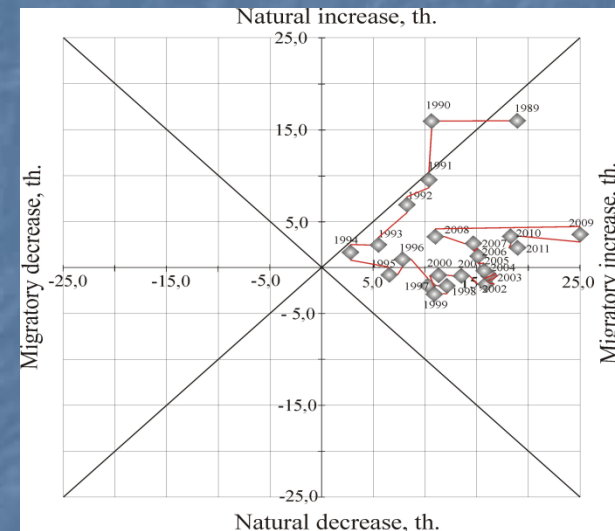
■ I. Global Migrations

- Global migrations flows
- Structure and new forms of labour migrations

■ II. Migrations in Belarus

- Population migration of small towns
- Population migration of rural area
- Structure of migrations
- Frontier migrations
- Migration factor in spatial development of metropolitan area

■ III. GIS technologies in Migration studies

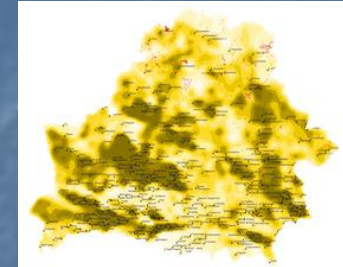


II. State system of collecting statistical information about migration

- National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus - Main Department of Service and Demographic Statistics - Department of Demographic Statistics - Regional Departments
- Ministry of Internal Affairs – Department of Citizenship and Migration



III. Members of the Project from BSU



Ekaterina Antipova

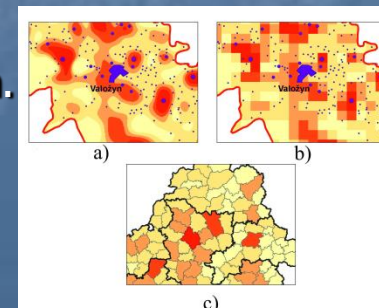
Doctor of Geographical Sciences, Full Professor, Professor of the Economic Geography of Foreign Countries Department, Belarusian State University.

Doctoral thesis «Rural settlement of Belarus: territorial structure and geodemographic development» (specialty 25.00.24 – Economic, Social and Political Geography) was defended in 2007.

Professor E. Antipova has participated in state scientific research projects in demographics, socio-economic geography as scientific adviser and responsible executor since 1984. Professor E. Antipova has about 190 published scientific papers.

Scientific interests:

- Regional demographic models of the world;
- Economic and geographic assessment of the demographic development of Belarus regions;
- Evolution of urban and rural settlements of Belarus and its regionalization.



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Main publications of Prof. Antipova about migration

- External labor migration in the Republic of Belarus / / Proceedings of the International Conference "Belarus - 3 years after the Cairo conference", Mn., 1997. P.9.
- Economic and geographic analysis of demographics and population size the Republic of BSU, 1998. - 292 p.
- Migration processes in rural areas of Belarus: new trends and challenges / / Collection of scientific articles "The migration situation and migration policy of Central Russia." Smolensk, "Universum", 2001. P.101-105.
- Using of geo-information technologies in demographic research and mapping of the rural population in Belarus / / Heritage of Chaslavskii and modernity: a collection of scientific papers. Smolensk: Universum, 2005 - p. 214-221.
- Migration. Encyclopedia of the Republic of Belarus. Minsk, 2007, V. 4. - S. 738.
- Natural movement, migratory movement, balance of migration / / Atlas for school "Geography of Belarus", in Russian, Minsk, RUE "Belkartografiya", 2009. P. 31.
- Structure of migration in rural areas of Belarus in the XXI century / / Regional economy. 2010, № 1. P. 202 - 209.
- Post-Soviet migration space of countryside of Belarus: dynamics and development problems / / Proceedings of the Second International Scientific Conference "Evolution of CIS: Achievements and Challenges", People's Friendship University, Moscow, 12-13.11.2010 Moscow, 2010. - P.23-30.
- Migration processes in rural areas of Belarus at the beginning of the XXI century / / Problems of Geography, Book 4 March 2010, Sofia. Bulgaria. P. 63-77.
- The migration of the rural population / / Social Education: Strategies for innovative development. Collected articles. Minsk: RIVSH, 2011. - P. 68 - 72.
- The role of migration in demographic balance of the Belarusian-Russian border region / / Global demographic challenges of our time: the migration and migration policy: Moscow State Humanitarian University, 2011. P. 69 93.

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Liudmila Fakeyeva

Ph.D in Geography, Associate Professor of the Economic Geography of Foreign Countries Department, Belarusian State University.

In 2009 defended PhD thesis «Economic-geographical factors and regional tendencies of rural Belarus depopulation» (25.00.24 - Economic, Social and Political Geography).

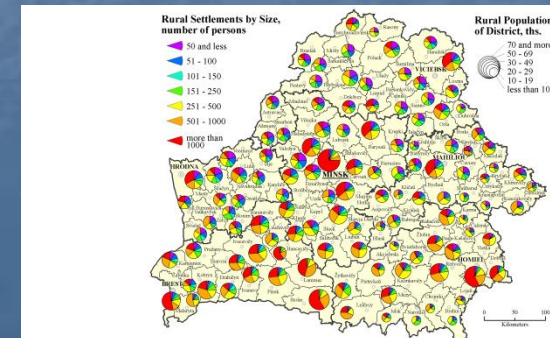
Internships:

- UNFPA Courses «Basics of demography, population policy and accounting principles of demographic data in the development of socio-economic policy» (Belarus, November 8 – November 12, 2010);
- Summer University course «Introduction to Core Concepts of Strategic Sustainable Development» (Sweden, Blekinge Institute of Technology, July 25 – August 4, 2011);
- International Training «Probabilistic population projections» (Austria, Vienna Institute of Demography, Austrian Academy of Sciences, August 8 – 22, 2011).

Scientific Interests: population geography, economic and geographic patterns of population change in Belarus and foreign countries, the regional population policy.

L. Fakeyeva has participated in state scientific research projects in demographic subjects since 2003 and headed them since 2005, has 35 scientific publications.

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IV. Former experience

List of the main research works and projects about migration:

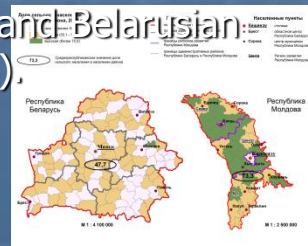
State Acts:

- 2001-2002, Project UNDP BYE/01/001
- 1) Estimation of "The National Strategy for Sustainable Development within the Context of the Republic of Belarus" (Demographic and Migration Parts);
- 2) "Development and Implementation of the National Strategy for Sustainable Development within the Context of the Republic of Belarus" (Demographic and Migration Parts);
- National Demographic Safety Program (Migration Part).



Scientific Projects:

- Project UNFPA № BYE/94/P50 "Economic-geographical analyses of the demographic situation and distribution of population on territory of Belarus" (scientific advisers B.A. Manak E.A. Antipova 1999)
- To execute an economic-geographical estimation of character of demographic development and labor force opportunities of rural settlements in regions of Belarus (scientific adviser E.A. Antipova, 2001-2005),
- Comparative analysis of the Republic of Belarus and the Republic of Moldova rural demographic development in transition economy (scientific adviser E.A. Antipova, responsible executor L.V.Fakeyeva, 2008-2010),
- Comparative analysis of Russia and Belarus cross-border impact on the socio-economic development (scientific adviser I.I. Pirozhnik, responsible executors E.A. Antipova, L.V. Fakeyeva, 2008-2010),
- Cross-border and peripheral attitude as socio-economic development factors of Russian and Belarusian regions (scientific adviser E.A. Antipova, responsible executor L.V. Fakeyeva, 2010-2012),



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Projects under development:

- Migration factor in spatial development of the metropolitan area in the postsoviet period (on the example of Minsk and Budapest) (International Visegrad Fund, Geographical Institute of Hungarian Academy of Sciences, 2012-2013);
- «Comparative-geographical analysis of demographic situation in capitals in conditions of the socio-economic transformation (on the examples of Budapest and Minsk)» (International Visegrad Fund, Corvinus University, 2012-2013).



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