# SENIOR TEACHING ASSISTANT MIRZETA BRKIĆ, MA



Mirzeta Brkić, MA, is a senior assistant in the field of Psychology at the Chair of Religious Pedagogy and Religious Psychology at the Faculty of Islamic Studies, University of Sarajevo. She graduated in 2011 and obtained her master's degree in 2013 from the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo, Department of Psychology. Currently, she is pursuing a doctoral degree in psychology at the same faculty. Her areas of academic and research interest include educational psychology and the psychology of religiosity.

### **CONTACT**

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# **EDUCATION**

Degree program	Timeframe
PhD in Psychology Institution: Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo	2020 - present
MA in Psychology	2011 – 2013
Institution: Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo Master's thesis title: Psychometric validation of a questionnaire for measuring the Big Five personality dimensions in children (IPIP 50 Junior S)	Public defense on October 11, 2013
BA in Psychology	2008 – 2011
Institution: Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo Undergraduate Thesis title: The Relationship between Personality and Creativity.	Public defense on September 13, 2011

# WORK EXPERIENCE

Position	Timeframe
Senior Teaching Assistant	Since 2022
University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Islamic Studies	
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<b>Teaching Assistant</b> University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Islamic	2018 - 2022
Studies Tacuty of Islamic	
Senior Teaching Assistant	2016 – 2018
University of Zenica - Faculty of Philosophy	
and Faculty of Islamic Pedagogy	
Teacher of Psychology	2014 - 2015
International Upper Secondary School in	
Zenica	

# INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Role	Timeframe
Member of the Student Admission Committee	Since October 2022
Member of the Team for conducting self- evaluation of study programs and writing	Since July 2022

self-evaluation reports for the study programs of the Faculty of Islamic Studies, University of Sarajevo	
Member of the Council of the Faculty of Islamic Studies, University of Sarajevo	November 2020 – September 2022
Member of the Commission for the Professional Development of Religious Education Teachers.	Since September 2020
Member of the Commission for Imam and Religious Teacher Practice during the month of Ramadan	Since February 2019

# HONOURS AND AWARDS

Award	Institution	Description	Time of award
Recognition for achieving 3 <sup>rd</sup> place in responsible and high-quality execution of teaching duties in an online teaching environment in the fall semester of the academic year 2020/21	University of Sarajevo - Faculty of Islamic Studies	The recognition was awarded based on student evaluations of the work of academic staff and the Teaching Evaluation Report adopted at the Faculty Council meeting on March 26, 2021	March 2021
Recognition for achieving 3 <sup>rd</sup> place in responsible and high-quality execution of teaching duties in the fall semester of the academic year 2019/20	University of Sarajevo - Faculty of Islamic Studies	The recognition was awarded based on student evaluations of the work of academic staff and the Teaching Evaluation Report adopted at the Faculty Council meeting on June 10, 2020	June 2020

#### **TEACHING**

#### TEACHING AT THE FACULTY OF ISLAMIC STUDIES IN SARAJEVO

Study cycle	Courses
BA	<ul> <li>Introduction to Research Methodology</li> <li>General Psychology with Personality Psychology</li> <li>Introduction to Psychology</li> <li>Developmental Psychology</li> <li>Psychology of Religiosity</li> <li>Educational Psychology</li> <li>Islamic Mission (Da'va)</li> </ul>
MA	<ul> <li>Islamic Spiritual Care</li> <li>Islamic Spiritual Care: Practicum</li> <li>Religion and the Individual in the Postmodern Era</li> <li>Conflict Resolution</li> </ul>

### RESEARCH

#### CONFERENCE/SEMINAR/WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

Mirzeta Brkić (2022) Experiences in the Implementation of Islamic Religious Education from 1992 to 2002 (Interviews with Teachers), Scientific Conference with International Participation: Thirty Years of Islamic Religious Education in the Educational System of Bosnia and Herzegovina: Experiences, Challenges, and Perspectives, Faculty of Islamic Studies, University of Sarajevo, and the Education Administration of the Riyasat of the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, November 17th and 18th, 2022.

Mirzeta Brkić (2022) *Psychosocial Determinants of Anxiety and Depression Among Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic*, **Scientific and Professional Conference** 7th Sarajevo Days of Psychology, Department of Psychology and Center for Psychological Research, Education, and Counseling within the Center for Scientific Research and Professional Activities of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo, Online, April 29th and 30th, 2022.

Mirzeta Brkić (2019.) *Advancing Education in Muslim Societies (AEMS). Mapping the TerrainStudy: Wave 1 results: Bosnia and Herzegovina,* **Conference**: Advancing Education in Muslim Societies: Mapping the Terrain, International Institute of Islamic Thought, Istanbul Şehir University Center for Higher Education Studies, and MAHYA, Istanbul, April 26th to 28th, 2019.

Mirzeta Brkić (2018) *Communicate with Me!*, *Empower Me, Religious Education Teacher!*, *Me and My Prejudices?* and *We Are All Different and Need Others*, **Workshops** as part of professional education for Islamic religious education teachers and students of the Faculty of Islamic Studies, Faculty of Islamic Studies, Association of Religious Education Teachers Sarajevo, and the Federal Ministry of Education, Sarajevo, September 29th to 30th and October 13th to 14th, 2018.

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

Project Title	Institution	Role in the project	Timeframe
Psychosocial determinants of depression, anxiety, and stress among students	Center for Psychological Research, Education, and Counseling at the Department of Psychology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo.	Member of the research team and author of a chapter in the book From Individual to Institutional Responsibility: Improving the Quality of Students' Mental Health and Study Experiences.	2020 – 2023
Psychophysical health of children/students and educational workers during and after the coronavirus pandemic	Ministry of Education of the Sarajevo Canton	Data collection, statistical data analysis, and report writing; Report on the conducted research on the psychophysical health of children/students, educational workers, and parents after the COVID-19 pandemic, including recommendations	2021 – 2022
RESILIENCE PROJECT (REligious Studies Infrastructure: tooLs, Experts, conNections and CEnters)	Project under the EU Horizon 2020 Research and Development program	Team member	Since 2020
International scientific research project Mapping the Terrain - 2019/2020 on non-academic values in education in	International University of Virginia (USA) and the Center for Advanced Studies (Bosnia and	Field data collection	2019 – 2020

Bosnia and Herzegovina	Herzegovina)		
Competencies of personnel in the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Imams, Islamic religious education teachers, preachers (mudarris), and educators	University of Sarajevo - Faculty of Islamic Studies in collaboration with the Education and Science Administration of the Riyasat of the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina	Research team member; published study on the competencies of personnel in the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina: from acquired to necessary competencies	2018 – 2020
International scientific research project Improving Education in Modern Societies	Indiana University (USA) and the Center for Advanced Studies (Bosnia and Herzegovina)	Field data collection and presentation of results at the Advancing Education in Muslim Societies (AEMS) conference Mapping the Terrain Study: Wave 1 results in Bosnia and Herzegovina	2018 – 2020

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

Sijamhodžić-Nadarević Dina, Smajić Aid, Begović Nedim, Hasanović Zuhdija i Brkić Mirzeta, *Studija o kompetencijama kadrova Islamske zajednice u Bosni i Hercegovini: Od stečenih ka potrebnim kompetencijama* [Study on the competencies of personnel in the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina: From acquired to necessary competencies], El-Kalem i Fakultet islamskih nauka Univerziteta u Sarajevu, Sarajevo, 2022.

### **Book chapters**

Dautbegović Amela, Marković Mirna, Dedić Bukvić Emina, Brkić Mirzeta, Čolić Ahmed i Smajić Aid, *Od individualne do institucionalne odgovornosti: unapređenje kvalitete mentalnog zdravlja studenata i iskustva studiranja* [From individual to institutional responsibility: Improving the quality of students' mental health and study experiences], Eknjige Filozofskog fakulteta Univerziteta u Sarajevu, Sarajevo, 2023.

## **Journal Articles**

Brkić Mirzeta i Smajić Aid, "Odnos između stepena anksioznosti i religioznosti kod studenata Fakulteta islamskih nauka" [The relationship between the degree of anxiety and religiosity among students of the Faculty of Islamic Studies]. *Zbornik radova Fakulteta islamskih nauka u Sarajevu*, 25 (2021.), 147-164.

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