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Education

2014-2018

PhD in Social Psychology

London School of Economics and Political Science, UK.

Committee: Caroline Howarth, Ilka Gleibs and Stephen Reicher.

Thesis: Continuity in times of change: The role of history, power and national identity in the process of supranational integration.

2013-2014

MSc in Social and Cultural Psychology

Distinction

London School of Economics and Political Science, UK

Thesis: 'Serbian, like that is supposed to mean anything to anyone': Understanding the role of the past in the construction of identity.

2011-2013

BA Sociology

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), California, USA.

School of Letters and Science

GPA: 3.9

Other Training

Summer Academy for PhD Students

International Society of Political Psychology

Warsaw, Poland (July, 2016)

Summer School for PhD Students

[COST] Action IS1205 Summer School on History Education & Political Conflicts

Stream leaders: Luigi Cajani & Giovanna Leone

Split, Croatia (September, 2015)

Key Areas of Expertise

Research expertise: Intra-group dynamics, Intergroup relations, Historical myths and narratives, Meta-perceptions, Nationalism in post-conflict societies, Political discourse,

Power and Recognition, Social identity construction, negotiation and threat, Social Representations.

Methodology: Mixed methods research, Advanced Qualitative research methodology, Conducting focus groups and interviews, Thematic, Dialogical, Discourse and Content Analysis, Questionnaire methodology with correlational design, conditional process analysis.

Scientific Software: Alceste, NVivo, SPSS, STATA, PROCESS-macro, R (Basic), QDA Miner, Qualtrics.

Research Experience

Doctoral Researcher

2014-2018 Department of Psychological & Behavioural Science, LSE, London, UK

- Conducted 4 studies (3 Qualitative, 1 Quantitative)
- Quantitative Study – Online Survey (N=1198) with correlational design analyzed using SPSS and PROCESS macro for conditional process analysis
- Qualitative Studies – 1) 12 Focus Groups (N=67) analyzed thematically and discursively, 2) 4 Iterative Focus Groups (N=33, x 3 sessions) analyzed thematically, 3) 17 political speeches analyzed discursively
- Research carried out with Serbian participants
- Analyzed all data, producing three empirical papers and one book chapter.

Research Assistant

2016-2018 Department of Sociology and the Department of Psychological & Behavioural Science, LSE, London, UK

- Media Income Inequality Discourse Project using comparative qualitative and quantitative data on media discourses on income inequality in the UK and US; PIs: Dr. Patrick McGovern & Dr. Martin Bauer
- Data collection using data-base LexisNexis, qualitative coding and quantitative analysis of larger text data-sets (15,000 articles) using QDA Miner and SPSS

2012-2013 Department of Psychology, UCLA, USA

- UCLA Middle School Diversity Program; research on the effects of racial/ethnic diversity on psychosocial health among middle-school students, PIs: Dr. Sandra Graham & Dr. Jaana Juvonen
- Task manager for data collection. Project leader during data collection at middle schools.
- Data coding, entry and processing.

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant

2015-2018

**Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science,
London School of Economics and Political Science, London,
UK**

- Academic tutor for MSc in ‘Social and Cultural Psychology’, teaching ‘Societal Psychology’ and ‘Psychological and Behavioural Science’
- Designing and delivering skill-training sessions for MSc students on 1) Reading & Writing during a Masters, 2) Academic Essay Writing and 3) Managing formative feedback
- Designing and delivering methods workshops for MSc students on 1) Thematic analysis and 2) Critical discourse analysis

Relevant qualifications:

2017

Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education (PGCertHE) – Full Fellowship Level, Higher Education Academy

2016

Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education (PGCertHE) – Associate Level, Higher Education Academy

Other relevant work experience:

2017

Course Guide Design and Formatting for 18 courses in Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science, LSE

Grants and Awards

Tuition Funding

- LSE PhD Scholarship, Department of Social Psychology, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2014-2018 (**£72, 000**)

Travel Awards

- LSE Postgraduate Travel Award (**£363**), awarded in February 2018 to attend the BPS conference in Nottingham, UK
- LSE Postgraduate Travel Award (**£333**), awarded in June 2017 to attend the ISTP conference in Tokyo, Japan
- LSE Postgraduate Travel Award (**£667**), awarded in October 2016 to attend the AME conference in Boston, USA
- ECRP Political Psychology Travel Grant (**£160**), awarded in July 2016 to attend the ISPP Summer School and Conference, Warsaw, Poland
- Department of Psychological and Behavioural Science Research Training Support Grant, (**£250**), awarded in June 2016 to attend the ISPP Summer School and Conference in Warsaw, Poland
- Niels Bohr Invited Speaker Travel Grant (**£300**) awarded in February 2016 to attend the 2016 Niels Bohr Lectures in Cultural Psychology, in Aalborg, Denmark
- COST Trainee Grant (**£450**), awarded in August 2015 to attend the COST IS1205 Summer School in Split, Croatia

Other Awards

- **LSE Teaching Award**, Highly Commended Class Teacher, London School of Economics and Political Science (2017)
- **LSE Teaching Award**, London School of Economics and Political Science (2016)
- **Hilde T. Himmelweit Prize for Highest MSc Grade**, London School of Economics and Political Science (2014)

Publications

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Obradović, S. & Howarth, C. (2018). The Power of Politics: How political leaders in Serbia discursively manage identity continuity and political change to shape the future of a nation. *European Journal of Social Psychology*, 48: o25-o35. Doi:10.1002/ejsp.2277

de Saint-Laurent, C., & **Obradović, S.** (2018). Uses of the Past: History as a Resource for the Present. *Integrative Psychological and Behavioural Science*, 1-13.

Obradović, S. (2017). Who are we and where are we going: From past myths to present politics. *Integrative Psychological and Behavioural Science*, 1-19.

Obradović, S. (2017). Whose memory and why: A Commentary on the role of power and the construction of memory. *Culture & Psychology*, 23(2), pp.208-216.

Obradović, S. (2016). Don't Forget to Remember: Collective Memory of the Yugoslav Wars in Present-Day Serbia. *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*, 22(1), pp.12-18.

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

Obradović, S. (2018). Creating integration. A case study from Serbia and the EU. In C. de Saint-Laurent, S. Obradović, & K. Carriere (Eds.), *Imagining collective futures. Perspectives from social, cultural and political psychology*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Obradović, S. (2018). Ideology and Actualized Democracy: Allies or Enemies? In Wagoner, B., Brescò, I., & Glaveanu, V. (Eds.) *The Psychology of Democracy and Dictatorship: A volume in the series Niels Bohr Professorship Lectures in Cultural Psychology*, pp.161-176.

Obradović, S. & Howarth, C. (2016). Everyday Reconciliation. In Howarth, C. & Andreouli, E. (Eds.) *The Social Psychology of Everyday Politics*, pp. 131-145.

Obradović, S. & Howarth, C. (2017). Social Representations. In Turner, B. (Ed.) *The Encyclopedia of Social Theory*. Wiley-Blackwell.

Other Publications

de Saint-Laurent, C., **Obradović, S.**, & Carriere, K. R. (Eds.). (2018). *Imagining collective futures: Perspectives from social, cultural and political psychology*. Springer.

Obradović, S. & Nicholson, C. (2015). Reflections on the Vision of Social Psychology. *European Bulletin of Social Psychology*, 27(3).

In Preparation

Obradović, S. & Sheehy-Skeffington, J. *Power, identity, and belonging to a superordinate group: The case of Serbia and the EU*.

Obradović, S. *Insecure nationalism: The importance of a politics of recognition in contexts of international integration*.

Service

Conference/Panel Organization

Symposium Organizer, “Unification and diversification: the importance of a politics of recognition in today’s world.” 2018. Conference of the British Psychology Society: Social Psychology Section, Newcastle, UK.

Symposium Organizer, “Political and Politicised Memory: Perspectives from Serbia, Japan and the US”. 2017. Conference of the International Society of Theoretical Psychology, Tokyo, Japan.

Symposium Organizer. “In dialogue with the past and the distant: Politics, Power and History”. 2016. International Conference on the Dialogical Self, Lublin, Poland.

Editorial and Reviewing Experience

2017- Editor of Early Career Committee Newsletter, International Society of Political Psychology

2014-2017 Editorial Assistant for Papers on Representations

2016- Senior Editor at Europe’s Journal of Psychology

Occasional reviewer for Journal of Social and Political Psychology, Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology, Culture & Psychology, Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour, National Identities and Media, War & Conflict.

Membership

- Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK
- European Association of Social Psychology
- International Society of Political Psychology (Society & Early Career Committee)

Conference Presentations

Obradović, S. (2018). *‘We can never be like the Germans’: Recognition and identity in the context of superordinate membership*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the British Psychology Society: Social Psychology Section, Newcastle, United Kingdom.

Obradović, S. (2018). *Politics of recognition: Meta-representations, power and superordinate identification*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the British Psychology Society, Nottingham, United Kingdom.

Obradović, S. (2017). Self and Other: National identity, recognition and supranational belonging. Paper presented at the 7th General meeting on Current Trends in Psychology, Novi Sad, Serbia.

Obradović, S. (2017). *We just want a normal Serbia: Past myths and present politics*. Paper presented at the 17th Biennial Conference of the International Society of Theoretical Psychology, Tokyo, Japan.

Obradović, S. (2017). *Political attitudes towards EU integration in Serbia: The importance of power, recognition and perceived compatibility*. Paper presented at the 18th General meeting of the European Association of Social Psychology, Granada, Spain.

Obradović, S. (2017). *The Nation within Europe: Identity, Belonging, and the importance of the ‘Other’*. Paper presented at the 27th Annual Conference of the Association for the Study of Ethnicity and Nationalism, London, UK.

Obradović, S. (2016). *When civic (dis)engagement means civic solidarity: the case of Serbia*. Paper presented at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Association for Moral Education, Cambridge: MA, USA.

Obradović, S. (2016). *Identity troubles: The case of Serbia's EU integration process*. Paper presented at the International Society of Political Psychology, South-Eastern Europe Mini Conference, Novi Sad, Serbia.

Obradović, S. (2016). *Power and Politics: The dialogical nature of political speech*. Paper presented at the 9th International Conference on the Dialogical Self, Lublin, Poland.

Obradović, S. (2016). *Negotiating a place in the EU: Lay discourses on EU integration, history and identity in Serbia*. Paper presented at the 39th Annual Conference of the International Society of Political Psychology, Warsaw, Poland.

Obradović, S. (2016). *Actualized Democracy and Ideology: How they help and hinder one another*. Commentary at the 4th Annual Niels Bohr Lecture Series, Aalborg, Denmark.

Obradović, S. & Howarth, C. (2015). *In dialogue with an 'Other': Shaping national identity, history and the future through political discourse*. Paper presented at the 16th Biennial Meeting of the International Society of Theoretical Psychology, Coventry, UK.

Obradović, S., Howarth, C. & Jovchelovitch, S. (2015). *Changing the past to create the present: 25 years of political discourse in Serbia*. Paper presented at the COST Action IS1205 Conference, Pecs, Hungary.

Languages

- English (Fluent)
- Serbian (Proficient)
- Swedish (Native)

References

Available upon request.