

## PROFILE

Passionate about intercultural education, I am actively involved in developing strategic partnerships with other universities within Erasmus+ framework, enhancing student life and employability skills through experiential learning.

I have been a thought leader through developing, sharing and transferring best practices, working in international interdisciplinary teams in close collaboration with the business.

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## SPECIALISATIONS

American Studies (UK, Durham university, 3 months)

European Studies (UK, Wolverhampton university, 3 months)

Text linguistics (UK, University of Kent, 1 month)

Business Cultures (Germany, John F Kennedy Institute, 1 month, DAAD scholarship)

Cultural Studies (Bulgaria, Sofia University, 2 years)

## TRAINING

Attended a number of Intercultural Business Communication training courses in Austria, the Czech Republic and France. Received certified Leadership and Teamwork training in Iceland. Took part in NELLE international conference in Spain, SIETAR World Congress in Bulgaria and IAIR Congress in Norway.

## EDUCATION

MA English Philology, Sofia University St Kliment Ohridski

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Proficient English and Bulgarian  
Intermediate Russian and German

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## CURRENT ACADEMIC INTERESTS

- Academic internationalization, interdisciplinary approaches to university curriculum design; educational innovation
- Developing soft skills training for companies and business graduates

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Senior Lecturer in English, Languages and Communication Dept, University of Economics – Varna, Bulgaria

Sept 1996 – ongoing

- Extensive experience as university senior lecturer: Business English, Business Communication; Cultural Aspects of Business; Soft Skills; Cultural Studies; English for Tourism; English for Accounting; Syllabus design; ibt TOEFL and SAT preparation courses; Intercultural Competence and Leadership Skills
- Lecturer to incoming Erasmus students from Europe, Asia, and the Middle East
- Visiting Erasmus + lecturer in Erasmus+ partner universities in Italy, Belgium, Slovenia, Poland, Portugal, the Czech Republic, India, France and Spain.
- Erasmus+ projects researcher ([ESSENCE](#), [PROMINENCE](#) etc.)
- Job interview coach/Interviewer of Erasmus+ mobility applicants: over 15-year interviewing practice

### Deputy Director of the Languages Dept.

#### University of Economics – Varna, Bulgaria

June 2019 – Nov 2021

- Responsible for a number of international partnership projects and initiatives
- Redesigned syllabi of Business English courses with focus on developing intercultural communication skills
- Co-designed a course 'Leadership and Intercultural Communication' as member of an interdisciplinary university team

### Deputy Chair of the Foreign Languages Dept.

#### University of Economics – Varna, Bulgaria

Sept 2003 – Sept 2007

- Enhanced international cooperation by initiating various collaborative projects with partner universities (Berlin School of Economics and Law, Koper University of Economics) and organisations (Aha! Moments), leading to designing new interdisciplinary courses, structuring collaborative project opportunities for students, as well as staff training

### Freelance Translator/Interpreter

Sept 1996 - Present

- Extensive translation experience in the field of education, healthcare, business and management

### Author/coauthor

Sept 1996 – present

- Author/ coauthor of articles, textbooks, dictionaries - over 35 publications in the field of foreign language teaching/learning, business communication, cultural studies, intercultural education, intercultural communication

## RELEVANT SKILLS

International teamwork skills, intercultural and interpersonal skills as educator, examiner, researcher and interpreter