Curriculum Vitae 2018

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EDUCATION

2015-2017 PhD Candidate in English (Rhetoric)

Department of English, Washington State University

Pullman, Washington

2015 Certificate in Applied Literary Translation

Dalkey Archive Press and Center for Translation Studies

University of Illinois, Urbana- Champaign

Urbana, Illinois

2012 Master of Arts in English (Literary Concentration)

<u>Thesis Title:</u> "From Theory to Practice in the Translation of Emiliya Dvoryanova's Concerto

for Sentence"

Department of English, Appalachian State University

Boone, North Carolina

2004 Master of Arts in Local Development

Thesis Title: "Improving the Portrayal of Ethnic Minorities in Bulgarian Broadcasting"

University of Trento and University of Bolzano

Trento and Bolzano, Italy

2002 Master of Arts in Slavic Studies

Thesis Title: "Constructing Identity through the Process of Nicknaming among the

Romany Ethnic Community in the Czech Republic"

Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria

2001 Diploma, Italian Language

Italian Institute, Italian Embassy, Sofia, Bulgaria

LANGUAGE English, Bulgarian, Italian, Czech (Fluent)

PROFICIENCIES Russian, Slovak, Serbian, Macedonian, Croatian, Slovenian, Polish, Spanish (Conversational)

EXPERIENCE

2016-now Writing Consultant, Graduate and Professional Writing Center (GPWC)

Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

2013-2015 International Outreach Coordinator; International Programs Office,

University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho

2013-2014 Lecturer, University of Idaho

Moscow, Idaho

2008 – 2013 Assistant Director and Instructor; Watauga Global Community

Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina

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| Aug. – Dec. 2007 | Graduate Assistant; Department of English, Appalachian State University Boone, North Carolina |
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| 2005 – 2007 | Instructor of Italian; Department of Classics, German, Italian, Japanese, and Russian College of Charleston Charleston, South Carolina |
| 2004 – 2005 | Instructor of Italian; Department of Modern and Classical Languages Missouri State University Springfield, Missouri |
| 2004 – 2005 | Translator; Watts Radiant Springfield, Missouri |
| 2004 | Translator; Ekran Cinema Magazine Sofia, Bulgaria |
| 2001 – 2003 | News Desk Editor; Reuters Business Briefing (RBB) Sofia, Bulgaria |
| 1999 – 2001 | Production Assistant; Eurocom National Cable Television Sofia, Bulgaria |
| 1996 – 2000 | English Language Teacher; Center for Foreign Language Education R.E.M Sofia, Bulgaria |

GRANTS and AWARDS

| 2016 | Susan H. McLeod Writing Across the Curriculum Travel Award, \$500, Washington State University |
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| 2016 | WSU English Department Award for Outstanding PhD Seminar Paper |
| 2014 | NAFSA Bi-Regional Highlight Selection for the 67 th National NAFSA conference for the session "Creating, Implementing and Assessing Intercultural Certificate Programs", November 2014, Portland, Oregon |
| 2008 | Cratis D. Williams Graduate School Graduate Research Assistantship, \$1,000, Appalachian State University |
| 2008 | Office of Student Research, GSAS Travel Grant, \$200, Appalachian State University |
| 2006 | Faculty Development Grant, College of Charleston, \$1,000 Project Title: "Funding to Attend an Italian Language for Teachers Program in Perugia, Italy" |
| 2006 | William E. Murray International Travel Scholarship for Faculty and Students, College of Charleston, \$2,500 Project Title: "Funding to Organize a Study Tour to Bulgaria" |
| 2005 | National Italian American Foundation, Washington, DC, \$500 Project Title: "Funding to Establish an Italian Club at the College of Charleston" |
| 2004 | Public Affairs Grant, Missouri State University, \$1,000 Project Title: "Funding to Support a Radio Program, <i>Coping with Cultures</i> , on KSMU Public Radio" |

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PUBLICATIONS

Translated Books Concerto for Sentence by Emiliya Dvoryanova. Elitza Kotzeva, Translator. Urbana- Champaign:

Dalkey Archive Press, 2016. (Bulgarian to English)

Born under a Lucky Star by Ilona Lacková. Elitza Kotzeva, Translator. Centre de Recherches Tsiganes, Université "René Descartes", Paris, France. Sofia: Litavra Publishing, 2000. (Czech to

Bulgarian)

Articles/Book Chapters "From Concerto for Sentence by Emiliya Dvoryanova, translated by Elitza

Kotzeva." Review of Contemporary Fiction, 33 (1): 46-51. Dalkey Archive Press, 2013.

Encyclopedia Entries "Czech Short Fiction." Critical Survey of Short Fiction. 4th Revised ed. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press,

2012.

"Everything Is Illuminated." Masterplots. 3rd Revised ed. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 2010.

"In a Free State." Masterplots. 3rd Revised ed. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 2010.

"Identification Assimilation." Encyclopedia of American Immigration. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press,

2010.

 $\hbox{``Television and Radio Broadcasting for Immigrant Communities.''} \ {\it Encyclopedia of American}$

Immigration. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 2010.

"Turkish Immigrants." Encyclopedia of American Immigration. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press, 2010.

COURSES TAUGHT

English 101: Writing as Performance

Intercultural Mentoring

Dissident Souls: Dream and Reality in Communist Eastern Europe

International Culture of the Cold War Ethnicity and Transition in Eastern Europe The Balkans: Narratives of the Powerless

Czechoslovakia: A Brief Intellectual History of Nation-Building in Eastern Europe

Immigrant and Ethnic Cultures in Watauga County

Devouring Eyes: Representations of Food in Italian Film, Literature, and Culture

Functional Italian: Contemporary Italian Culture and Language

Interdisciplinary Studies Praxis

Interdisciplinary Studies Senior Seminar

Italian Language 101 Italian Language 102 Elitza Kotzeva

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Compressed Spatiotemporal Perceptions in the Digital Age and Their Influence on Our Understanding of History." International Conference in English Studies: The Politics of Space and the Humanities. December 2017, Thessaloniki, Greece.

"Performance for Transformation in Constructing a Writer's Identity." Pacific Rim Conference in English Studies 2017: Moving Bodies, Moving Ideologies. April 2017, Anchorage, Alaska.

"Performance for Transformation in Constructing a Writer's Identity." Pacific Rim Conference in English Studies 2017: Moving Bodies, Moving Ideologies. April 2017, Anchorage, Alaska.

"Czech Dream, West German Spectacle, and the NYC Balkan Village: East European Forms of Culture Jamming in the Post-Communist Years." PCA/ACA National Conference. March 2016, Seattle, Washington.

"East European Forms of Culture Jamming in the Post-Communist Years: A Cultural Studies Approach to Exploring Equity, Immigration, and Identity in Film." 12th Annual International Globalization, Diversity, and Education Conference, February 2016, Airway Heights, Washington.

Chair. "Creating, Implementing, and Assessing Intercultural Certificate Programs." Bi-Regional NAFSA Conference, November 2014, Portland, Oregon.

"Contrastive Rhetoric Strategies." ASSU Writing Center Conference, February 2008, Savannah, Georgia.

"You Can't Go Home Again. Why? Because You Are Home:' Identity Construction in the Urban Environment of Iva Pekárková's *Gimme the Money.*" Western Social Science Association Annual Conference, April 2008, Denver, Colorado.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Winter Institute for Intercultural Communication (WIIC) 2015

Workshop: Intercultural Facilitation Challenges: Ethnocentrism, Resistant Participants, and You Name It! – Tatyana Fertelmeyster, March 2015, Winston-Salem, NC

AFFILIATIONS International Writing Centers Association (IWCA)

Rhetoric Society of America (RSA)

American Literary Translators Association (ALTA) NAFSA: Association of International Educators

SERVICE

2016-2017 Editor-in Chief, Textual Overtures, Graduate English Journal

2009 Organizer and Faculty Supervisor, Service Learning Alternative Spring

Break Trip, Community Work with Romany Ethnic Students at the Romany High School for Management and Social Work, Prague, Czech Republic (15 students)

2005 – 2007 Advisor, Italian Student Club, College of Charleston