

# Dragana Svraka

## curriculum vitae

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### WORK

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Managing Editor, American Political Science Review  
American Political Science Association (since June 2020)

Visiting Scholar, Center for European Studies  
University of Florida (Spring 2021)

### EDUCATION

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**PhD, University of Florida**, Political Science (February 2020)  
Dissertation: Ethnic Politics in Europe: Effects and Limits of Ethnic Accommodation  
Committee: Michael Bernhard (chair), Benjamin Smith, Aida Hozic, Daniel O'Neill, Dietmar Schirmer  
(Zeppelin Universität, Germany), Tamir Sorek (Sociology)  
Exam Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Theory

**MA, University of Florida**, US, Political Science (2015)

**MSc, University of Twente**, Netherlands, Public Administration (2010)

**MA, University of Bologna**, Italy, Sustainable Development (2006)

**BSc, University of Banja Luka**, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Economics (2004)  
Best student in the generation

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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Svraka, Dragana. 2023. "Targeted Nativism: Ethnic Diversity and Radical Right Parties in Europe." *Government and Opposition*, 1-22. First View. <https://doi.org/10.1017/gov.2023.27>

Svraka, Dragana, and Ringo Ossewaarde. 2011. "Governing Low Profile Issues: A Frame Analysis of Drug Addiction in a Local Setting." *Sociological Research Online* 16(4): 34-43.  
<https://doi.org/10.5153/sro.2479>

### BOOK REVIEWS

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Svraka, Dragana. 2017. "Reconciling Statistics and Interpretation in the Study of National Identity. Making Identity Count: Building a National Identity Database." By Ted Hopf and Bentley B. Allan. *International Studies Review* 19(4): 722-724. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/48557281>.

Svraka, Dragana. 2016. "Strategies of Symbolic Nation-Building in South Eastern Europe." By Pål Kolstø, ed. *Political Studies Review* 14(2): 296.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Svraka, Dragana. 2023. "How Populism and Nativism Matter for Minorities." *The Loop, ECPR's Political Science Blog*, Series: Future of Populism, eds. Mattia Zulianello and Petra Guasti, December 29. <https://theloop.ecpr.eu/how-populism-and-nativism-matter-for-minorities/>

## WORKING PAPERS

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"Ethnic Party Success: Why Some Minorities Form Ethnic Parties and Others Do Not?" (revise & resubmit)

"Banality of State Nationalism: Changing Airport Names in the Balkans" (revise & resubmit)

"How to Measure Ethnic Diversity: Reflections on Cross-National Datasets"

"Ethnic Parties in the Balkans and the Role of Political Context: A Comparative Analysis"

"Ethnic Empowerment in Europe: A Framework for Assessing Its Effects"

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Editorial Assistant Perspectives on Politics	June 2017 – May 2020
Reviewer Perspectives on Politics Conflict Management and Peace Science	
Country Expert (North Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina) Varieties of Democracy Project, Gothenburg, Sweden	
Program Committee, Nationalism Section Annual World Convention of the Association for Studies of Nationalities	2022; 2023; 2024

## FELLOWSHIPS AND PRIZES

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College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Graduate Travel Committee University of Florida	Summer 2019
Graduate Student Council Travel Grant University of Florida	April 2019
Office of Vice-President for Research, Graduate Student Travel Funds University of Florida	April 2019
Graduate Student Council Travel Grant University of Florida	August 2018
Peter Mair Travel Award APSA, Division: European Politics and Society	August 2018
American Political Science Association Travel Grant APSA	August 2018
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Graduate Travel Committee University of Florida	Summer 2018
Office of Vice-President for Research, Graduate Student Travel Funds University of Florida	April 2018
Certificate of Outstanding Merit College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida	November 2017
Summer Research Travel Awards Department of Political Science, University of Florida	Summer 2017

Office of Vice-President for Research, Graduate Student Travel Funds University of Florida	May 2017
Erasmus + Student Mobility Program Sofia University, Sofia Bulgaria	Summer 2016
Graduate Student Travel Grant Center for European Studies, University of Florida	Summer 2016
Summer Research Travel Awards Department of Political Science, University of Florida	Summer 2016
Prestage-Cook Travel Award SPSA	January 2016
Graduate Fellowship, University of Florida University of Florida	2012-2017
MTEC Scholarship Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands	2009-2010
Scholarship for Master of Arts in Sustainable Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy University of Bologna Italy	2005-2006
Golden Award, University of Banja Luka BA Best Graduating Student in Economics Department	2004
Scholarship, Ministry of Education of Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina	2000-2004

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### *INSTRUCTOR*

Democracy and Dictatorship through European History (IDH2930): Spring 2021 (HyFlex)  
 Reading Karl Marx Today (IDH2930): Spring 2021 (HyFlex)  
 How Democracies Die (IDH2930): Fall 2019  
 European Multiculturalism Today (IDH2930): Fall 2018

### *TEACHING ASSISTANT*

Introduction to Comparative Politics (CPO 2001): Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2017  
 What is the Good Life (IUF 1000): Fall 2015,  
 What is the Good Life – hybrid (IUF 1000): Spring 2016

### *GRADER*

Facets of Sustainability (IDS 2154): Fall 2016

## SUMMER SCHOOLS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Interactive Teaching on Ethnicity, Ethnic Discrimination and Mobilization Half-Day Short Course <i>APSA 2019, Washington, DC</i>	August 2019
Peacemakers 2016 Migration and Securitization of Europe, Views from the Balkan Corridor <i>Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey</i>	July 2016

EUROMECS Summer School The Idea of Europe and Its Borders in Social Sciences and the Humanities <i>Sofia University, Kiten, Bulgaria</i>	June 2016
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Qualitative Methodology: discourse analysis, process tracing, qualitative comparative method, history and interpretation, combining qualitative and quantitative methods <i>Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY</i>	June 2015
Italian Language Scholarship, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy Italian Language and Culture Classes <i>University for Foreigners, Perugia, Italy</i>	August 2004
International Summer Schools of Cervia, Italy European Enlargement, Economic Transition in South Eastern Europe <i>University of Bologna, Italy, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy</i>	September 2002

## ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

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“How Schools Get Their Names? The Case of Bosnia and Herzegovina”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2024, forthcoming)

“Rethinking Link between Freedom of Expression and Democracy”

- ISA-South, Atlanta, GA (October 2023)

“Between Banal and State Nationalism: Everyday Nationalism of Airport Names in the Balkans”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2023)

“Why Some Minorities Form Ethnic Parties and Others Do Not?”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 24<sup>th</sup> Annual World Convention, online (May 2022)

“Ethnic Empowerment in Europe: A Framework for Assessing Its Effects”

- International Studies Association, Nashville, TN (March 2022)

“Ethnic Empowerment in Europe: A Framework for Assessing Its Effects”

- American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA (October 2021)

“Ethnic Empowerment in Europe: A Framework for Assessing Its Effects”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 26<sup>th</sup> Annual World Convention, online (May 2021)

“Vulnerable Minorities and the Rise of Right-Wing Populist Parties in Europe”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 25<sup>th</sup> Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2020 – cancelled)

“Vulnerable Minorities and the Rise of Right-Wing Populist Parties in Europe”

- Midwest Political Science Association, 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, IL (April 2020 - cancelled)

“Ethnic Confrontation and the Rise of Right-Wing Populist Parties in Europe”

- American Political Science Association, Washington D.C. (September 2019, iPoster)

“Which Cleavage Matters? A Critical Assessment of Ethnic Cleavage in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 24<sup>th</sup> Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2019)

“Which Cleavage Matters? A Critical Assessment of Ethnic Cleavage in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

- Southern Political Science Association, 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Austin, TX (January 2019)

“Effects of Collective Ethnic Rights in Europe: Accommodation vs. Confrontation”

- American Political Science Association, Boston, MA (September 2018, iPoster)

“Exclusion Created by Inclusion: The Case of Consociationalism”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2018)

“Examining Effects of Collective Ethnic Rights in Europe: Accommodation vs. Confrontation”

- Midwest Political Science Association, 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, IL (April 2018)

“How Political Institutions Condition Ethnic Political Parties: Comparative Analysis of Three Balkan Countries”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (May 2017)

“Problem of Liberty in Consociational Democracy”

- Southern Political Science Association, 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA (January 2017)

“How Do States Classify Their Populations and What Are the Consequences of Such Classifications: Evidence from Europe”

- Association for the Study of Nationalities, 21<sup>st</sup> Annual World Convention, Columbia University, New York, NY (April 2016)

“Historical Memory and the Problem of Reconciliation in Bosnia and Herzegovina”

- International Studies Association Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA (March 2016)

“Contentious Memories and Commemorations of War Crimes in Bosnia and Herzegovina 20 Years After the War”

- Southern Political Science Association, 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Juan, PR (January 2016)

“American Nationalism Seen Through the Lenses of American Exceptionalism”

- Southern Political Science Association, 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Juan, PR (January 2016)

“Beyond Legacy: Role of Culture, Reinvention of the Past Through Literature, and Nationalism”

- International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA (February 2016)

“Nationalism as Interplay Between State and Society: Basque Nationalism in France and Spain Compared”

- Florida Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Flagler College, St. Augustine, FL (March 2014)
- Crossroads and Connections: A History Graduate Symposium at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (March 2014)

## INVITED TALKS

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“Divided Cities in Divided Country”

- Guest lecture in for summer program “Security and Cooperation in Southeastern Europe” (coordinator Dr. Matt Becker, University of Mississippi), Dubrovnik, Croatia (June 2022)

“Understanding Case Study Research Designs”

- Guest lecture in seminar POS 4734: Research Methods in Political Science (instructor Dr. Hye Ryeon Jang), University of Florida (February 2022)

“Studying Ethnic Politics in South Eastern Europe: Notes from the Field”

- Center for European Studies, University of Florida (March 2017)

“How to Do Research in Political Science at Home and Abroad”

- Banjalučki socijalni centar, BASOC, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina (September 2016)

#### FIELDWORK

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Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Bulgaria

June-October 2016

Sweden

May-June 2017

#### LANGUAGES

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Serbian/Croatian/Bosnian: native

English, Italian: fluent

French, Spanish: good command

German, Dutch, Swedish: basic