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Education

- 2018-present **PhD, Comparative History, Central European University, Budapest**
- GPA: 3.91/4.00
 - Thesis title: "Links in the Chain: Department Stores, Modernization of Retail and the Transformations of the Urban Environment in Socialist Yugoslavia, 1950s-1980s"
 - Supervisor: dr. Marsha Siefert
- 2017-2018 **Master's Degree, Comparative History, Central European University, Budapest**
- GPA: 3.86/4.00
 - Thesis title: "Mirrors of the City: Department Stores, Urban Space and the Politics of Retail in Socialist Yugoslavia (1950s-1960s)"
 - Supervisor: dr. Marsha Siefert; Second reader: dr. Anna Mazanik
- 2014-2017 **Master's Degree, Art History & Comparative Literature, University of Zagreb**
- GPA: 5.00/5.00
 - Thesis title: "Department Stores in Zagreb During Socialist Yugoslavia" (grade: 5/5)
 - Supervisors: dr. Maša Grdešić, dr. Dragan Damjanović
- 2011-2014 **Bachelor's Degree, Art History & Comparative Literature, University of Zagreb**
- GPA: 4.91/5.00

Conference Presentations and Publications

- 2019 The Unrealized Department Store "Na-Ma" in Trnje: Ambitions and Challenges in Expanding the Retail Network and Creating the Urban Space in Zagreb in the Early 1960s." *Peristil: Scholarly Journal of Art History* 61, 1 (2018): 213-227
- April 2019 **April 2019 BASEES Annual Conference, Cambridge**
- "Building the New Socialist Reality? Envisioning the Relationship between Modern Retail and Urban Planning in Zagreb in the 1960s"
- November 2018 **Workshop: State-Led Modernization - A Tool to Analyze and Explain Wider Developments, Ruhr-University, Bochum**
- "Self-Service and Self-Management? Department Stores and the Modernization of Retail in Socialist Yugoslavia in the 1960s"

- July 2018 **26th Conference of Young Experts in Eastern Europe, University of Leipzig**
- “Department Store in Novi Zagreb: Spatializing Consumption and Leisure in Socialist Yugoslavia”

Research Experience

- 2015-2019 **Student Magazine for Cultural and Literary Theory “k.”, University of Zagreb**
- editor
- March-April 2017 **Central European Exchange Program for University Students, University of Belgrade**
- CEEPUS Freemover short-term research grant for the MA thesis project
- 2014-2016 **Kontrapost – Student Proceedings from the Department of Art History**
- editor

Scholarly and Professional Activities

- 2018-2019 **Department of History, Central European University**
- Student representative for the PhD program
- 2017-2018 **Department of History, Central European University**
- Student representative for the one-year MA program
- 2015-2017 **Comparative Literature Students' Club “K.”, University of Zagreb**
- Vice-president
- May-July 2017 **Maniere Noire Galerie, Berlin**
- Gallery assistant
- 2014-2016 **Library of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb**
- Student assistant
- 2011-2016 **Department of Comparative Literature, University of Zagreb**
- Student representative for the students enrolled in the academic year 2011/2012

Awards & Scholarships

- June 2018 **Peter Hanak Prize, Central European University**

- For best MA thesis in History in 2017/2018
- May 2018 **Radovan Ivančević Award, Croatian Society of Art Historians**
- For best MA thesis in Art History in 2017
- October 2017 **University of Zagreb**
- Award for Excellence in Studies – Best graduate student of Art History
- February 2017 **Franjo Marković Award – Best scientific, art or sport achievement in the academic year 2015/2016, University of Zagreb**
- 13th issue of the Student Magazine for Cultural and Literary Theory “k.” (co-received: the editorial board)
- May-July 2016 **Erasmus+ Internship Program**
- Grant for the internship at Maniere Noire Galerie, Berlin
- 2015-2016 **University of Zagreb**
- University scholarship for especially talented full-time students
- July-August 2015 **Scholarship of the French Government**
- One-month language course at CAVILAM, Vichy, France
- October 2014 **University of Zagreb**
- Award for Excellence in Studies – Best undergraduate student of Comparative Literature
- 2013-2014 **Ministry of Education, Science and Sport, Croatia**
- State scholarship for especially talented full-time students
- October 2012 **Center for Women's Studies, Zagreb**
- Award for best student paper on the topic of women and gender theory – special recognition and commendations for the paper “Transsexual Transylvania: Elements of Subversion in the film *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*”

Language Competences

Croatian	native speaker
English	Near native/fluent (C2)
French	Very good command (B2)
German	Good command (B1)