

Short CV

Prof. Asoc. Dr. Bavjola Shatro
Associate Professor of Contemporary Albanian Literature and World Literature of the
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President of South-East European Studies Association SEESA,

1. Doctoral Studies (2011)
National Center for Albanian Studies, Institute for Literary Studies, Tirana.
2. Master Studies (2007)
University of Tirana, Faculty of Philology, Department of Literature.
3. Bachelor studies (2001- 2005) concluded with the *Excellent Student Medal* for outstanding academic results; University of Tirana, Department of Literature.

Academic Grants:

2015: Research and lectures on Comparative literature and Contemporary American Poetry at the Department of English Philology, University of Salamanca, Spain.

2013: Abo Akademi University - Finland; research and lectures in the Department of English Language and Literature.

2012: Junior Faculty Development Program; Department of State, USA; Research and open lectures in Pennsylvania State University, USA, Department of Comparative Literature; University of Mississippi at Oxford.

2011:CGS grant for PhD Research in the University of Turku, Finland, Department of Comparative Literature and American Studies.

2010: CGS grant for PhD research in the University of Pavia, Italy, Department of Literary Studies and Medieval and Modern Art.

Academic Experience Abroad

1. Lectures:
 - “Confessional Poetry and it’s Perspectives in Contemporary American poetry: Robert Lowell, Sylvia Plath, AnneSexton, John Berryman.”
 - “Ethnicity and Poetry in Contemporary American and Albanian Poetry; Lorna Dee Cervantes, Cathy Song, Li-Young Lee, Ali Podrimja”
 - “Nations, National Literature and Comparativism in a Globalizing Age”, delivered at the courses on Contemporary American Poetry and Nations, Culture and Literature in Contemporary America, at the Department of English Philology, University of Salamanca Spain, October 2015.

2. Lecture in the PREMIS series at Abo Academy, the Swedish University of Finland, Department of English Language and Literature, September 2013, on the topic “On Memory and Identity in Contemporary American and Albanian literature”.
3. Lecture in Pennsylvania State University, USA, March 19th, 2012 on the topic: “Literature and Politics in Communist Albania and the Parables of Dictatorship in the Prose of Ismail Kadare; a Comparative Pattern with former Communist countries in Eastern and South-Eastern Europe”.
4. Lecture in the CROFT Institute for International Studies, in the University of Mississippi, Oxford, USA, April 17th, 2012. Topic: “Politics and Literature and the question of Kosovo in Albanian Culture and Literature in the Second Half of the 20th Century.”
5. Lecture at the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and Department of English in the University of Mississippi, Oxford, USA , April 18th, 2012. Topic: “The Role of Ideology and Political Persecution in Literature: The case of South- Eastern European Studies.”
6. Guest lecturer in the Honor’s Class, Department of Modern Languages, University of Mississippi at Oxford, USA, April 16th, 2012. Topic: “Albanian Contemporary Poetry and Translation into English; A Comparative Approach.”
7. Proficiency Examination of Albanian Language and Culture at Pennsylvania State University, USA, for the Students of the School of Arts, History and Political Science. April 2012.

Books and chapters in volumes of selected articles:

1. Bavjola Shatro, “Between(s) and Beyond(s) in Contemporary Albanian Literature.” Studies in Comparative Literature and Contemporary Albanian Literature. Cambridge Scholars Publishing, Great Britain, 2016.
2. Co-author of “Challenges in Anglophone Studies in the new Century” Cambridge Scholars Publishing, GB. Forthcoming in 2017.
3. Bavjola Shatro “Re-entering totalitarian Hell: Ismail Kadare’s *Palace of Dreams* and George Orwell’s *1984*.”, by Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016.
4. "The Nature of Poetry; Poetic Reality between Ontology and Ethics in the poetry of P.Celan and A.Podrimja", Volume of Selected Articles, University of Montenegro. 2016.
5. Chapter "Between American Contemporary Literature and Albanian Culture;Poetry of Luljeta Lleshanaku and Cathy Song".Cambridge Scholar Publications. June 2015
6. Chapter "Beauty and Pain, and the Escape from Convention in Tragedy:'Oedipus Coloneus' by Sophocles and 'King Lear' by W. Shakespeare", in:"The Beauty of Convention: Essays in Literature and Culture". Cambridge Scholars Publishing.2014.
7. Chapter "Sociology and Literature", in 'Social Science;Sociology as an Integrative Discipline for the Study of Social Life', F.Tarifa, J.Blau, R.Collins, A.Etzioni, B.Shatro et al.

Onufri, Tirana, 2013.

8. Bavjola Shatro, "Word and Ontology in Albanian Contemporary Literature". Dita 2000, Tirana 2012. pp 336.

9. "Analizë dhe interpretim" (Analyses and Interpretation; Classics of Albanian and World Literature), DITA 2000, Tiranë, 2010. pp.420.

10. Co-author "Rilindja e Europës, Kultura e saj." Ombra GVG, Tirana, 2010.

11. *Sociologjia shqiptare dhe profili i sociologut Fatos Tarifa (Albanian Sociology and the profile of Fatos Tarifa)* Jay Weinstein, Bavjola Shatro, Klementin Mile. OMBRA GVG, Tiranë, 2011

Membership in Academic Organizations

1. President of South-East European Studies Association SEESA, USA (May 2018 – May 2022).
2. Vice President of South-East European Studies Association SEESA, USA (April 2014 – April 2018).
3. Chair of the Travel Grants Committee, South-East European Studies Association SEESA, USA (2015 – presently).
4. Member of South-East European Studies Association SEESA; USA (March 2012- presently).
5. Member of the Scientific Board of the Pedagogical Academy of Tirana (2011-presently).

Member of Scientific Boards

1. Member of the Board of *Balkanistica*, journal of South-East European Studies Association SEESA, USA (2013- presently)
2. Reviewer in Comparative Literature at *Cambridge Scholars Publishing*, academic publishing house ranked at the SENSE Category publishers, Great Britain (2017- presently)
3. Reviewer for specific issues of various academic journals in the category of world literature and comparative literature.

Academic articles

57 articles published in Thomson Reuters Indexed journals, SCOPUS Indexed journals, Emerging Sources Citation Index by Th.Reutres and other well-known academic publications of the universities of USA (Pennsylvania State university, University of Mississippi), UK, Italy, Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, Kosova etc.

Conference participations: presentations in 37 conferences organized by universities and research institutes in USA, UK, Germany, Spain, Poland, Slovakia, Italy, Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, Kosovo etc.