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Professional experience

Doctora Fuera de Convenio: Instituto de Lenguas y Culturas del Mediterráneo y Oriente Próximo (CSIC), Departamento de Estudios Judíos e Islámicos, Historia Cultural del Mediterráneo (01/2026-Present)

Adjunct Professor: Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Department of Humanities & Department of Global Studies (10/2023–01/2026)

Principal Investigator: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Research Fellow, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Department of Humanities (10/2023–10/2025)

- Project: [CONVERSAS: Conversas of Muslim and Jewish Origin in the Premodern Crown of Aragon: Parallels and Contrasts](#) – Awarded a score of 9.9/10
- Funding Body/Call: HORIZON MSCA-2022-PF; Grant Agreement No.: 101104439

Research Assistant: Centre for Sociological and Anthropological Research, Institute of Social Sciences, Ministry of Education, Science, and Technological Development of Serbia (10/2018–Present)

Maternity leaves (09/2014 – 09/2015; 06/2021 – 06/2022)

Education

Ph.D. in Cultures in Contact in the Mediterranean

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Department of Antiquity and Middle Age Studies

Defense Date: 12/09/2017

Master's Degree in Classical Studies

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Philosophy

Defense Date: 30/09/2013

Bachelor's Degree in Classical Studies

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Philosophy

Defense Date: 04/07/2012

Current and Completed Research Projects

Principal Investigator

CONVERSAS: *Conversas of Muslim and Jewish Origin in the Premodern Crown of Aragon: Parallels and Contrasts.*

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship (HORIZON MSCA-2022-PF, GA 101104439), Universitat

Pompeu Fabra, 2023–2025.

Researcher

West of Eden (WE): *Muslim and Jewish Cultures in the Western Mediterranean (13th–17th centuries).* ATRAE

(2024), Agencia Estatal de Investigación, Project ATR2024-154505. ILC-CSIC, 2025–2029. PI: Mònica Colominas Aparicio.

Researcher

Intersections of Religion and Gender in Transcultural Contexts: Premodern Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Iberia and the Mediterranean. AEI / MICIU (PID2022-137836NB-C32), Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2023–2025.

PI: Linda Gale Jones.

Researcher

Medieval and Modern Sources for the Study of Transcultural Relations in the Mediterranean: Writing and Transmission II. AEI / MICIU (PGC2018-093472-B-C31), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2019–2022. PIs:

Cándida Ferrero Hernández, Fernando González Muñoz.

Researcher

Social Transformations in the Process of European Integration – Multidisciplinary Approach. Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of Serbia (III 47010), Institute of Social Sciences, 2018–

2019. PI: Mirko Blagojević.

Researcher

Islamolatina: Textos, traduccions i controvèrsies a la Mediterrània medieval i moderna. Generalitat de Catalunya (2017 SGR 01787), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2017–2019. PI: Cándida Ferrero Hernández.

Researcher

Fuentes medievales y modernas para el estudio de las relaciones transculturales en el Mediterráneo: redacción y transmisión. AEI / MINECO (FFI2015-63659-C2-1-P), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2016–

2018. PI: Cándida Ferrero Hernández.

Selected publications

Arsić, Ivana. Forthcoming 2026. *Fall from Grace: The Inquisitorial Trial of Jaume de Casafranca and Interwoven Proceedings in Premodern Barcelona.* Leiden: Brill (Heterodoxia Iberica).

Arsić, Ivana. Forthcoming 2026. “Heresy and Legal Strategy: The González-Núñez Family and the Inquisition in Late Medieval Guadalupe.” *Studia Historica: Historia Medieval* (Universidad de Salamanca).

Arsić, Ivana. Forthcoming 2026. “Conversion and the Reconfiguration of Religious Gender Roles: Conversas and Moriscas in Late Medieval Iberia.” *Medieval Feminist Forum: A Journal of Gender and Sexuality* 61 (2).

Arsić, Ivana. 2026. “Music and Dance as a Form of Dissent: Crypto-Religious Resistance in the Premodern Crown of Aragon.” *Journal of Spanish Cultural Studies*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/14636204.2026.2664848>

Arsić, Ivana. 2025. “In Defense of Food: A Comparative Study of Conversas’ and Moriscas’ Dietary Laws as a Form of Cultural Resistance.” *Gender & History*. Wiley Online Library. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-0424.12866>

Arsić, Ivana. 2023. “Silencing the Voices: Finding Conversas in the Inquisitorial Records.” *Etnoantropološki Problemi / Issues in Ethnology and Anthropology* 18, no. 2: 565–587. <https://doi.org/10.21301/eap.v18i2.10>.

Arsić, Ivana. 2020. “Preserving Jewish Heritage: Conversas After the Establishment of the Barcelona Tribunal (1487–1505).” In *Propaganda and (Un)covered Identities in Treatises and Sermons: Christians, Jews,*

and Muslims in the Premodern Mediterranean, edited by Cándida Ferrero Hernández and Linda Jones, 127–139. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona: Servei de Publicacions. ISBN: 978-84-490-8918-3.

Arsić, Ivana, and Neven Cvetičanin. 2020. "The Spanish Catholic Church and the Secular Institutions." In *Contemporary Religious Changes: From Desecularization to Postsecularization*, edited by D. Todorović, M. Blagojević, and D. B. Đorđević, 117–126. Belgrade: Institute of Social Sciences.

Arsić, Ivana. 2020. "In the Middle of the Renaissance Light and Inquisitorial Blackness: Pere Miquel Carbonell's Case." *Lucida Intervalla*. University of Belgrade, Faculty of Philosophy 49: 135–150.

Arsić, Ivana. 2018. *Pere Miquel Carbonell i el seu temps (1434–1517)*. *Medievalia*. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona: Institut d'Estudis Medievals 21: 136–139. ISSN: 2014-8410 (digital).

Arsić, Ivana. 2018. "Episcopal Legacy in Inquisitorial Processes in the Work of Pere Miquel Carbonell i Soler: 1488–1505 Barcelona." *Bogoslovlje: Journal of the Faculty of the Orthodox Theology*. University of Belgrade 2: 186–202. ISSN: 0006-5714; eISSN: 2650-4945.

Arsić, Ivana. 2016. "The 14th-Century Inquisitorial Administrative Documents in Pere Miquel Carbonell's Manuscript." *Medievalia*. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona: Institut d'Estudis Medievals 19, no. 2: 255–261. ISSN: 2014-8410 (digital).

Arsić, Ivana. 2016. "Inquisitorial Procedures in Barcelona, Tarragona, and Gerona in the Manuscript *Liber descriptionis reconciliationisque, purgationis et condemnacionis hereticorum* by Pere Miquel Carbonell." In *III Simpósio Internacional de Estudos Inquisitoriais – Alcalá de Henares*, 1–30. ISBN: 978-87-61346-96-6.

Selected presentations to peer-reviewed internationally established conferences:

"Strategies of Resilience: Conversas and Moriscas in the Preservation of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Early Modern Crown of Aragon." *Coexistence in Multiculturalism: Preserving Intangible Cultural Heritage in Late Medieval and Early Modern Iberia*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, **2025** (symposium organizer).

"The Impact of Conversions on the Transfer of Religious Knowledge in the Late Medieval Crown of Aragon." *International Medieval Congress*, Leeds, **2025** (panel organizer).

"Navigating Adversity: Women's Strategies in Crypto-Religious Communities." *Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion & Society of Biblical Literature*, San Diego, **2024**.

"In Defense of Food: A Comparative Study of Conversas' and Moriscas' Dietary Laws as a Form of Cultural Resistance." *GRIMSE-ECERM Seminar*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, **2024**.

"Recapturing the Voices via Hostile Sources: The Case of Beatriz Núñez." *VII Seminario Islamolatina*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, **2022** (invited).

"Are Women More Religious Than Men? The Causal Explanation of Conversas and Moriscas Phenomena." *International Workshop: Intersections of Gender and Genres in Medieval Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, **2022** (co-organizer).

"Food as a Crime: Examining Inquisitorial Material from Premodern Crown of Aragon." *International Symposium: Inquisition Studies – Religion, Interculturality, and Conscious Control in Early Modern Ages*, Porto, **2022**.

"The Homiletic Representation of Conversas and Jewesses in Premodern Crown of Aragon." *International Medieval Sermon Studies Society Symposium*, **2021**.

"Preserving Jewish Heritage: Conversas After the Establishment of the Barcelona Tribunal (1487–1505)." *V Seminario Islamolatina*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona / Universitat Pompeu Fabra, **2018** (invited).

"Inquisitorial Procedures in Barcelona, Tarragona, and Girona in the Manuscript 'Liber descriptionis...'" *III Simposio Internacional de Estudios Inquisitoriales*, University of Alcalá de Henares, **2015**.