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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2023–	Northeastern University Assistant Professor of Anthropology and International Affairs
2021–2023	Tufts University, The Fletcher School of Global Affairs Banting Postdoctoral Fellow

EDUCATION

2021	PhD, Anthropology, Simon Fraser University
2015	MA, Sociology, York University
2011	BA, International Studies, Simon Fraser University

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Golubović, Jelena. (Forthcoming 2026). *Inner Zone: The Untold Violence of Retribution in Besieged Sarajevo*. The University of Pennsylvania Press.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Golubović, Jelena. (Revise and Resubmit). “Repeat Interviews and ‘Narrative Shifts’ in Post-Conflict Ethnography.” *Journal of Peace Research*.

Golubović, Jelena. (Forthcoming 2026). “Monumental Silence: War Commemoration as Erasure.” *Focaal: Journal of Global and Historical Anthropology* 105.

Golubović, Jelena. 2022. “Beyond Agency as Good: Complicity and Displacement after the Siege of Sarajevo.” *Journal of Refugee Studies* 35 (3): 1344–1363.

- Early Career Researcher Prize, *Journal of Refugee Studies*, 2023
- Article Prize, Canadian Historical Association, CCMET, 2022

Golubović, Jelena, Kathleen Inglis, and Cheyanne Connell. 2022. “Gendered Disruptions in Academic Publishing during COVID-19: Uncovering Invisible Labor at an Anthropology Journal.” *American Ethnologist* 49 (4): 595–609.

- GAD Prize for Exemplary Cross-Field Scholarship, AAA, 2023 (Honourable mention)

Golubović, Jelena. 2020. “‘To Me, You Are Not a Serb’: Ethnicity, Ambiguity, and Anxiety in Post-War Sarajevo.” *Ethnicities* 20 (3): 544–563.

- Best Article Award, International Studies Association, ENMISA, 2022
- Postgraduate Article Prize, BASEES, 2022

Golubović, Jelena. 2019. “‘One Day I Will Tell This to My Daughter’: Serb Women, Silence, and the Politics of Victimhood in Sarajevo.” *Anthropological Quarterly* 92 (4): 1173–1199.

- Best Article Award, International Studies Association, ENMISA, 2021
- Article Prize, BASEES Women’s Forum, 2021
- Article Award, American Sociological Association, AMSS, 2021
- Article Award, American Sociological Association, PWSC, 2020 (Honourable mention)
- Postgraduate Article Prize, BASEES, 2021 (Honourable mention)

Dossa, Parin, and Jelena Golubović. 2019. “Reimagining Home in the Wake of Displacement.” *Studies in Social Justice* 13 (1): 171–186.

Golubović, Jelena. 2015. “The Abnormalcy of Everyday Life: Belgrade Youth and the Legacy of the 1990s in the Context of EU Expansion.” *Contingent Horizons: The York University Student Journal of Anthropology* 2 (1): 69–88.

Golubović, Jelena. 2011. “The Misrepresentation of Refugees: Effects on Protracted Refugee Situations.” *Undercurrent: The Canadian Undergraduate Journal of Development Studies* 8 (1): 68–75.

Chapters in Edited Volumes

Golubović, Jelena. 2025. “Nostalgia in Flux: Remembering Yugoslavia amid Ethnic and Economic Precarities.” In *Bosnian Fluxes: Belonging, Care, and Reckonings in a Post-Cold War Semi-Periphery*, edited by David Henig, Jaroslav Klepal, and Ondřej Žíla, 41–56. Routledge.

Dossa, Parin, and Jelena Golubović. 2018. “Community-Based Ethnography.” In *International Encyclopedia of Anthropology*, edited by Hilary Callan, 1040–1046. John Wiley & Sons.

Policy and Popular Media

Golubović, Jelena. 2024. “A Moment of Renewal for the WPS Agenda in Non-NATO Balkan States: Spotlight on Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo.” *New Lines Institute for Strategy and Policy*. 16 September.

Golubović, Jelena. 2022. “Thirty Years On: Gender Implications of a Potential Renewed Conflict in Bosnia.” *New Lines Institute for Strategy and Policy*. 4 April.

Golubović, Jelena. 2021. “Research in Times of Revisionism.” *Conflict(Ed): Official Blog of the ASA Peace, War, and Social Conflict section*. 17 February.

Golubović, Jelena. 2020. “Arms Trade, Pandemic Combine to Reveal the Human Costs of War in Yemen.” *Ottawa Citizen*. A6. Opinions section. 4 May.

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

Northeastern University, Mutual Mentoring Advancement Program (M2AP) Grant, 2025
Northeastern University, Humanities Center Faculty Fellowship, 2024–2025
Northeastern University, CSSH Research Development Initiative, 2023
International Studies Association, Research Workshop Grant, 2022
Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2021–2023
SSHRC, Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2021–2023 (*declined*)
Simon Fraser University, Dean’s Graduate Fellowship, 2019
Simon Fraser University, Community Trust Endowment Fund Grad Fellowships (multiple), 2018–20
Simon Fraser University, Sociology & Anthropology Graduate Fellowships (multiple), 2017–2019
SSHRC, Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement, 2017
Simon Fraser University, Graduate International Research Travel Awards, 2017
Simon Fraser University, Centre for Comparative Muslim Studies Travel Award, 2017
Simon Fraser University, Graduate Student Society Professional Development Grant, 2016
Simon Fraser University, C. D. Nelson Graduate Entrance Scholarship, 2015–2019
SSHRC, Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Doctoral Scholarship, 2015–2018
SSHRC, Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, 2013–2014
York University, Graduate Scholarship, 2012
York University, Entrance Scholarship, 2012

AWARDS

Journal of Refugee Studies, Early Career Researcher Prize, 2023
Canadian Historical Association, CCMET Article Prize, 2022
British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies, Postgraduate Article Prize, 2022
International Studies Association, ENMISA Best Article Award, 2022
International Studies Association, ENMISA Best Article Award, 2021
American Sociological Association, AMSS Outstanding Published Article Award, 2021
British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies, Women’s Forum Article Prize, 2021
Canadian Anthropology Society, Outstanding Graduating Student Award, 2021
Simon Fraser University, Dean of Graduate Studies Convocation Medal, 2021
Global Affairs Canada & SSHRC, International Policy Ideas Challenge winner, 2020
American Sociological Association, PWSC Published Article Award (Honourable mention), 2020
Association for the Study of Nationalities, Balkans section, Best Doctoral Paper Award, 2019
Society for Applied Anthropology Edward H. and Rosamond B. Spicer Travel Award, 2019
Simon Fraser University, Provost Prize of Distinction, 2019
Canadian Sociological Association, Outstanding Graduating Student Award, 2015

Honourable mentions

American Anthropology Association, GAD Prize for Exemplary Cross-Field Scholarship, 2023
British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies Postgraduate Article Prize, 2021
Western Association of Women Historians, Founder’s Dissertation Fellowship, 2019

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP ACTIVITY

Presentations

American Ethnological Society, 2025. Massachusetts Institute for Technology. “Monumental Silence: War Commemoration as Erasure.”

The Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, 2024. Boston, MA. “From Neighbors to Aggressors: Serb Women in Besieged Sarajevo.”

American Anthropological Association / Canadian Anthropological Society, 2023. Toronto, ON. “Gendered Disruptions in Academic Publishing during COVID-19: Uncovering Invisible Labor at an Anthropology Journal” (with Kathleen Inglis).

International Studies Association, 2023. Montreal, QC. Roundtable panelist. “Victimhood in International Studies: Between Complex Experiences and Socio-Political Constructions?”

European Research Council, Workshop for “Unlikely Refuge?” 2022. Prague. “Beyond Agency as Good: Complicity and Displacement after the Siege of Sarajevo.”

Historical Dialogues, Justice and Memory Network, 2022. NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Amsterdam. “Victimhood and the Politics of Recognition: Legacies of Retribution in Sarajevo.”

International Council for Central and Eastern European Studies, 2021. Concordia University. “Gendered Complicity inside the Siege of Sarajevo.”

International Studies Association, 2021. Virtual. “Retributive Violence against and on behalf of Civilians.”

Association of Social Anthropologists, 2021. St. Andrews University. “It Mattered Who Your Neighbors Were: Complicity and Intimacy in Besieged Sarajevo.”

Association for the Study of Nationalities, 2019. Columbia University. “To Me, You Are Not a Serb’: Ethnicity, Anxiety, and Ambiguity in Sarajevo.”

- Best Doctoral Paper Award, ASN, 2019

Society for Applied Anthropology, 2019. Portland, OR, USA. “‘To Me, You Are Not a Serb’: Ethnicity, Ambiguity, and Anxiety in Sarajevo.”

- Edward H. and Rosamond B. Spicer Travel Award, SFAA, 2019

Canadian Association of Slavists, 2019. University of British Columbia. “Anxious Ethnicity: Performance and Concealment in Sarajevo.”

Loss: A Symposium, 2019. McGill University. “‘It Does Not Matter to Anyone’: On Serbs Who Left Sarajevo after the War.”

Memory, Mass Violence, and Socioeconomic Inequality Workshop, 2018. St. Paul University. “Remembering it Differently: Narratives of Serb Women in Sarajevo.”

Politics of Peace-Building in the Region Conference, 2017. University of Sarajevo. “Lowered Voices: An Oral History of Serb Women in Sarajevo.”

The Franz Vranitzky Chair for European Studies Workshop, 2015. University of Rijeka. “Belgrade Youth and the Legacy of the 1990s in the Context of EU Expansion.”

Canadian Sociological Association, 2013. University of Victoria. “‘This is a Haunted Place’: Local Responses to the ICTY in Srebrenica.”

Dalhousie History Graduate Conference, 2013. Dalhousie University. “‘This is a Haunted Place’: Local Responses to the ICTY in Srebrenica.”

Discussant and Organizer Roles

Workshop panel discussant, “Promjena narativa: Kada istina nije dovoljna” [Changing the Narrative: When the Truth Is Not Enough], MediaCentar Sarajevo, 2024

Workshop co-organizer and co-facilitator (with Jessie Barton Hronešová). International Studies Association, 2023. Montreal. “Victimhood in International Studies: Between Complex Experiences and Socio-Political Constructions?”

INVITED TALKS AND GUEST LECTURES

York University, Department of Anthropology & Centre for Feminist Research, invited talk, 2024.

Northeastern University London, invited talk, 2024

Global Affairs Canada, policy presentation (International Policy Ideas Challenge), 2021.

Vancouver Public Library, invited interview conversation with novelist Kim Echlin, 2021.

Northeastern University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, invited talk, 2021.

Georgetown University, Government Department, guest lecture in Civil Wars seminar, 2021.

University of British Columbia, School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, guest lecture in Transitional Justice seminar, 2021.

University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Philosophy, guest lecture in Social Work seminar, 2020.

Acadia University, History Department, guest lecture in Ethnic Race Relations seminar, 2019.

York University, Sociology Department, guest lecture in graduate student workshop, 2013.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

Northeastern University: Security, Culture, Power (INTL 3450) Anthropology of Eastern Europe (ANTH 4210), Political Anthropology (ANTH 3417) Peoples and Cultures / Introduction to Anthropology (ANTH 1101) Sociology of Violence (SOCL 7231; PhD seminar)	International Affairs Anthropology Anthropology Anthropology Sociology
Simon Fraser University: Introduction to Social Research (SA 255) The Ethnography of Politics (SA386) Contemporary Ethnography (SA 301)	Sociology Anthropology Anthropology

Teaching Assistant

Simon Fraser University:
Ethnography and Qualitative Methods (SA 356)
Anthropology and Contemporary Life (SA 201)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (SA 101)

Pedagogical Training

Certificate in University Teaching and Learning, 2017	Simon Fraser University
Instructional Skills Workshop, 2016	Simon Fraser University

Graduate Student Mentorship

Morgan Lindenschmidt, Sociology PhD, Northeastern University
PhD field statement / qualifying exam committee member; defended July 2025

Leslie Camagong, Political Science MA, Northeastern University
MA thesis committee member; defended April 2025

Emily Haberlack, Sociology PhD, Northeastern University
PhD field statement/ qualifying exam committee member (ongoing)

OTHER RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

American Ethnological Society, Editorial Assistant for *American Ethnologist*, 2020–2021
Canadian Anthropology Society, Editorial Assistant for *Anthropologica*, 2018–2021
The David Lam Centre for International Communication, Research Assistant, 2017
Atira Women's Resource Society, EWMA Program, Research Assistant, 2011
The Belgrade Centre for Human Rights, Intern, 2009.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Research Group Affiliation

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Faculty Affiliate in the Research Cluster on Identity Politics, 2024–
The Brudnick Center for Violence and Conflict, Northeastern University, Affiliate, 2023–
College of Social Sciences and Humanities Research Working Group, Northeastern University, 2023–

Service to Profession

Manuscript Reviewer (ad-hoc): *American Ethnologist*, *American Anthropologist*, *Journal of Refugee Studies*, *Ethnicities*, *Nationalities Papers*, *Nations and Nationalism*, *Journal of Contemporary History*, *Connexe: les espaces postcommunistes en question(s)*.
International Studies Association, ENMISA Member-at-Large (elected position), 2022–2024

Award Review and Adjudication

Northeastern University, Reviewer for CSSH TIER1 Grants, 2024
Canadian Historical Association, CCMET Article Prize Committee, 2023
International Studies Association, ENMISA Best Article Award Committee, 2022
American Sociological Association, AMSS Outstanding Article Award Committee, 2022
International Studies Association, Peace section, Kenneth Boulding Award Committee, 2021

Research Facilitation

Invited discussant for book talk by Azra Hromadžić, *Riverine Citizenship: A Bosnian City in Love with the River*, Boston University, 2025.
Organizer and discussant for an invited lecture by Max Bergholz: “Uncomfortable Evidence: On the Challenge of Telling New Stories about Srebrenica,” Northeastern University, 2025.
Organizer and discussant for an invited lecture by Ruslan Yusupov: “The “People” of the People’s War on Terror: Surveillance, Affect and Kinship in China’s Securitized Xinjiang Region,” Northeastern University, 2025.
Respondent, Northeastern Law’s Center for Global Law and Justice 2024 Speaker Series. Vasuki Nesiah: “Victim: Gender as Tool and Weapon.” Northeastern University, 2024.
Panel discussant, Burds Memorial Lecture Series on Eurasian Studies, with Natia Chankvetadze and Valentine M. Moghadam. Northeastern University, 2024.
Organizer and discussant for a book launch by Pinky Hota: *The Violence of Recognition: Adivasi Indigeneity and Anti-Dalitness in India*, Northeastern University, 2024
Panel discussant, “Reimagining the WWII Experience on the Eastern Front,” Northeastern, 2024
Book launch discussant, Marianna Griffini: *The Politics of Memory*, Northeastern London, 2024
Host for New Books in Eastern European Studies, 2018–2020

Departmental Service

Northeastern Sociology and Anthropology Department, Undergraduate Committee, 2023–2025

Northeastern Sociology and Anthropology Department, Capstone discussant, Spring 2025

Northeastern Sociology and Anthropology Department, Capstone moderator, Fall 2024

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Learn Python 3 Certificate of Completion, Codecademy, 2022

Centre for Comparative Conflict Studies Summer School, Singidunum University, 2017

School of Human Rights, The Belgrade Centre for Human Rights, 2009

LANGUAGES

Serbian / Bosnian / Croatian: advanced

French: advanced (C–level) oral/written comprehension; intermediate (B–level) oral/written expression