INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
AND EUROPEAN STUDIES

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ABOUT
INTERNATIONAL BURCH UNIVERSITY

BURCH is located in modern, purpose-built campus in Sarajevo suburb of Ilidža. Our campus contains all necessary amenities that make studies in BURCH enjoyable and unforgettable experience. Spacious and fully equipped lecture halls and facilities, technical equipment enabling distance learning, dormitories, choice of cafeterias, sport facilities, student clubs, cultural programs, all contribute to making BURCH the ideal choice to combine superb quality of studies with superb quality of life.

MISSION

The mission of International Burch University is to support education, scientific research and the training of highly qualified personnel to work in academic and professional fields through the development of modern curricula and creating an environment to encourage creative, objective and critical thinking and continuous learning. Through its public activities and joint projects and cooperation with institutions from private and public sectors, as well as international institutions, the university aims to improve the community and contribute to solving local and global challenges. An important aspect of all activities is a friendly academic environment that encourages each student to take leading role in reaching their personal and intellectual potential.

VISION

Achieving excellence in education, research & development, and innovation & entrepreneurship through mentorship and guidance.
CAREER PROSPECTS

A degree in International Relations and European Studies, through its emphasis on multidisciplinary knowledge of world politics, economics, law and society in general, prepare students for a wide variety of careers in governmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations, various academic and research fields, journalism and business. For those students who want to continue their studies on graduate level, International Relations and European studies provide them with a wide range of skills and knowledge that will enable them to embark successfully on desired master and PhD programs throughout social sciences fields, arts, humanities, public administration, and law.

ACADEMIC STAFF

In addition to academic staff employed directly by the Department, International Relations and European Studies draw on resources from a variety of departments and faculties across the university in order to provide students with strong grounding in courses related to Economics, Law, and languages. Also, besides full-time academic staff, the Department continuously engages services of several part-time lecturers in order to draw on their experience and knowledge related to specific areas of knowledge pertinent to the International Relations and European Studies area. Our part-time lecturers hail from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, media outlets, various governmental organization, as well as international and non-governmental organizations.
Dr. Ešref Kenan Rašidagić | Head of Department

Associate Professor and Head of Department of International Relations and European Studies, International Burch University. Received Bachelor’s degree in Political Science and International Relations from the International Islamic University in Malaysia, and Master’s degree in Middle Eastern Studies with concentration on Conflict Resolution Studies from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon. Defended his PhD thesis in Political Science at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Sarajevo, where he is also holding position of associate professor in the Department of Political Science. Dr. Rašidagić has been engaged in various NGOs as an activist and organizer of various public and humanitarian activities. He is also active as independent consultant in fields related to social affairs, children and youth, and education. Author of several books, articles, essays and studies on various topics, and contributor to a number of international conferences and seminars. Appears frequently in the media as political analyst and commentator on current political, security, and social affairs in the Balkans and the Middle East. His fields of research interest include political Islam, social policy, interaction between international and local actors in interventions, and the role of new media in socialization and mobilization of youth in transitional societies.

Dr. Adis Maksić

Assistant Professor. Holds a PhD in Planning, Governance and Globalization from Virginia Tech University. In November 2014, he defended an award-winning dissertation “Mobilizing for Ethnic Violence? Ethno-national Political Parties and the Dynamics of Ethno-politicization”. He also earned a Master of Arts Degree in Political Science from Virginia Tech University in 2009. AdisMaksic produced several articles in notable academic journals that examined the mobilizing power of ethno-nationalist discourses in both prewar and postwar Bosnia-Herzegovina. His ongoing research examines the role of political agency in nationalist mobilizations in the Balkans and the Caucuses.

LECTURERS

Dr. Bernard Harbaš

Born in Zenica in 1977. He obtained his B.A. in Philosophy and Sociology at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo. B.H. His Ph.D. thesis, entitled Jean-Luc Nancy's Philosophy of Community, was defended at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb, Croatia. Besides International Burch University, he has been working at the University of Zenica, where he teaches Economic Sociology and Sociology of Culture. His main interests are related to the problems of postmodern political philosophy and economic anthropology.

Dr. Selma Delalić

Obatined a B.A. at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Sarajevo. Also obtained an M.A. at the Faculty of Political Science, University of Sarajevo. In 2014, she earned a PhD in Political Science from the University of Sarajevo. Dr. Delalic’s scholarly papers researched Russian foreign policy toward Bosnia and Herzegovina in the 1990s, and NATO’s post Cold War strategy. She is also a British Council trainer in sophisticated knowledge and communication skills.

Dr. Hoda Dedić

Graduated from Isolde Kurz Gymnasium, Germany. She obtained a doctorate in political science in 2013 at the Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Sarajevo. As a fellow of the Austrian Academic Exchange Service, she completed a scientific research programme for the doctoral dissertation at the University of Vienna – Department of Legal Philosophy, Law of Religion and Culture. She participated in various seminars related to international relations, European integration and diplomacy. Since 2009 she has been working at Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Dr. Dževada Šuško

Director of the Institute for Islamic Tradition of Bosniaks since September 2013, which made her the first female director within the Islamic Community. She grew up in Germany, completing her Master thesis in history, political science and cultural anthropology at Humburg University. Dr. Šuško participated in various international University exchange programs as well summer courses, such as at Universita per Stranieri (Florence, Italy), Carleton University (Ottawa, Canada), Birkzeit University (Ramallah, Palestinian territories) and Escuela da idiomasaVox (Madrid, Spain). She is fluent in German and English, and has a firm knowledge in French, Italian and Spanish language.

Mensur Zoletić

Secretary of Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences
WHY STUDY
IRES AT BURCH?

Studies in the International Relations and European Studies are designed to equip you with the necessary theoretical and practical tools to understand and analyze political events and issues that range from local grievances to global politics. The programme will familiarize you with the political landscape of the world around you, and train you to situate current events in the proper analytical and historical context. It will also encourage you to translate this training into practical skills that enhance professional opportunities. You will develop writing and research ability, confidence in expressing opinions articulate, and cultural competency necessary to succeed in an increasingly complex job market.

As an IRES student at IBU you will be taught by expert academic staff committed to maximize your learning experience. Our staff are active and experienced researchers, ensuring that your coursework reflects the recent developments in political theory and practice. The programme offers a small class setting, and numerous opportunities for close interaction with academic staff. The IRES student body at Burch consists of students from several different countries, which enables students to form a web of extensive professional contacts that reach well beyond BiH. Our students also have rich opportunities for active participation in the University life through contribution to student politics, clubs and societies.
# UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM

**Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and European Studies**

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ELECTIVE COURSES

- Entrepreneurship
- Turkish Language I
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- Bosnian Language I
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- Non-Profit Organizations
- Labour Law
- Crisis Management
- International Marketing Management
- Human Resources Management
- Economic Diplomacy
- International Business Environment
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- Arabic Language I
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- Cont. Middle East: Society, Economy & Pol.
- Elections and Party Systems
- Ethnicity and Cultural Politics
- EU Regional Policy
- Evol. of Modern Diplomacy & New Persp.
- Gender and Society
- History of Diplomacy
- Lobbying in Theory and Practice
- Military & Politics in Comp. & Int. Persp.
- Nationalism and Minorities in Int. Persp.
- New Germany in International Politics
- Public Diplomacy
- Religion & Politics in Comp. & Int. Persp.
- Social Movements and Politizations
- State and Civil Society in BiH
MASTER STUDIES
GRADUATE STUDIES

The Department of International Relations and European Studies is offering four Master programs, leading to the title of Master of Arts.

WHY STUDY
MASTERS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS?

An understanding of the field of International Relations is becoming increasingly important in today's globalizing and interconnected age. This is especially the case for small states, such as Bosnia-Herzegovina, which are highly sensitive and susceptible to different influences within the complex set of relations that we call the international system. The changes in the international environment, such as the development of international trade, the strengthening of EU and other supra-state institutions, new security challenges and the introduction of new technologies, demand an expansion of knowledge of all spheres that shape the functioning of the state and society. Indeed, they demand a move beyond the differentiated professional studies and trainings toward a more integrated, interdisciplinary approach.

Our programme is here to address these needs. It is designed for professionals who are developing their careers in the fields of state administration, the media, foreign affairs, European integrations, conflict management and who have previously completed their undergraduate studies. The IRES Master's Programme will allow these professionals to enhance and specialize knowledge pertaining to a wide range of topics in international relations, diplomacy, conflict management and European Integrations, and critically evaluate the related issues and policies. This will be achieved through interdisciplinary work with the lecturers who have developed academic careers in related scientific disciplines. The Programme will develop both a strong theoretical foundation for understanding the contemporary International Relations and a hands-on, practical understanding of the current diplomatic practice.

GOALS

- Students will be familiarized with the historical development of the international system.
- Students will be familiarized with the theoretical principles that have shaped our understandings of international relations.
- Students will gain knowledge of contemporary crises at the international level, including the analyses of a variety of factors that affect security, such as historical, political, geographic and economic influences.
- Students will gain an understanding of the conditions that have shaped diplomatic practice across different eras, or across different hegemonic types of international relations.
- Students will learn about the influences and principles that inform the behavior of the European Union, as well as those that shape foreign policy of Bosnia-Herzegovina and the entire region.
- The Programme will promote interactive learning experiences by engaging students in the discussions and debates related to current affairs, crises and issues in the sphere of international relations and foreign policy.
- The Programme will prepare students for applying the gained knowledge in a variety of settings: academic, private, business, government and non-government sectors and other aspects relevant to the future professional careers.
THE PROGRAMME

Two-year (3+2) programs are designed for students who graduated from three-year undergraduate programs:

- MA in Diplomacy
- MA in European Integrations
- MA in Security and Conflict Management

One-year program (4+1) Master program is designed for students who graduated from four-year undergraduate programs:

- MA in International Relations

GRADUATE CURRICULUM

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CURRICULUM (4+1)

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## EUROPEAN INTEGRATIONS CURRICULUM

**Second Semester**
- European Economic Integration
- EU Law
- EU as a Global Actor
- Security and Defense Policies of the EU Countries

**Third Semester**
- Internal Market and Integrated Policies
- European Economic and Monetary Union
- Politics of Competition and State Aid
- EU Enlargement Policy & Neighborhood Politics

**Fourth Semester**
- Thesis Development

## SECURITY AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT CURRICULUM

**Second Semester**
- Modern Conflict Theories
- Security Theories and Concepts
- Euro-Atlantic Security
- National Security Strategies

**Third Semester**
- Leadership and Conflict Management
- Mediation and Negotiations in Conflict Management
- Theories and Concepts of Peace Making
- Conflict Prevention

**Fourth Semester**
- Thesis Development
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