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ABOUT ME

PhD in Psychology, Integrative Psychotherapist (BHIDAPA-EAPTI), MA in Clinical Psychology

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/2021 – 12/2025

● **Diploma in Integrative Psychotherapy - Integrative Psychotherapist, 4.5 years of education completed** Academy for Psychotherapy, BHIDAPA- EAPTI, European Accredited Psychotherapy Training Institute

Field of study Integrative Psychotherapy

10/2021 – 09/2025

● **Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology** IUS, B&H, Co-supervision: Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg, Austria; LMU Munich, Germany

Field of study Psychology | **Thesis** The role of relational needs satisfaction, emotional intelligence, need for drama, and marital stability in the prediction of marital satisfaction in Canton Sarajevo of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Monitoring intervention change dynamics process in nonlinear approach feedback via Synergetic Navigation System.

11/2018 – 05/2022

● **Psychotherapeutic Direction: Systemic Constellations, 162 hours of training completed** "Agape"- Association for the Culture of Healthy Living (Trainer Horst Brömer, Germany)

10/2018 – 07/2019

● **Master Study in Clinical Psychology** International University of Sarajevo (IUS), Bosnia and Herzegovina (B&H)

Thesis Relationship between global functioning and emotional, cognitive, behavioral, and social difficulties of individuals with schizophrenia.

10/2014 – 06/2018

● **Bachelor's Degree in Psychology** International University of Sarajevo (IUS), Bosnia and Herzegovina (B&H)

Thesis Analysis - "Differences of psychological well-being among female nursing home residents and elderly females who live with their families". Synthesis - Project "Activity for the psychological well-being of elderly individuals" (contribution of increased daily life activities to psychological well-being in nursing home residents).

WORK EXPERIENCE

● **International University of Sarajevo**

Erasmus+ Coordinator (for PSY Program)

07/2026 – Current

IUS Student's Psychological Counseling Center (SPCC) Manager

06/2026 – Current

Assistant Professor

11/2025 – Current

Senior Assistant

04/2024 – 11/2025

Academic Assistant, PSY Program Coordinator Assistant

09/2021 – 04/2024

Adjunct Instructor

10/2019 – 09/2021

Scholarship Assistant

10/2018 – 07/2019

IUS Student's Psychological Counseling Centre (SPCC) Counselor

02/2018 – Current

Student Assistant

02/2018 – 07/2018

Public Institution High School Center

Psychology teacher

02/2019 – 07/2019

Nursing home "Sentivo"

Collaborator in activities for increasing psychophysical capacities of elderly people

10/2017 – 10/2019

Association of substitutes from PTSD FBiH "Vox"

Psychological Interventions & Administration Associate

10/2017 – 10/2021

Future Real Estate Company "Injazat future" Ltd

Administration, Part-time

06/2016 – 10/2016

Press TV

Correspondent - Political and cultural reports

07/2016 – 09/2016

Sahar TV

Reporter - Political and cultural reports

05/2016 – 07/2016

BH Radio 1

Narrator of show: "Carousel"

06/2013 – 01/2014

Bosnian community of culture "Rebirth" (BZK "Preporod")

Collaborator - Narrator

05/2010 – 10/2014

SKILLS

IBM SPSS | MS Office Package

PUBLICATIONS

2026

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: N/A

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.51558/2490-3647.2026.11.1.763>

Jusić, M., & Mustoo-Bašer, L. (2026). Some Individual Differences as a Basis for Susceptibility to Misinformation and False News. *Social Sciences and Humanities Studies/ Društvene i humanističke studije DHS*, 11(1 (29)), 763-782.

2025

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: Q1

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2025.1528926>

Mustoo-Bašer, L., Sinanović, E., Draganović, S., & Žvelc, G. (2025). Relational needs satisfaction scale: adaptation to the Bosnian language and psychometric testing. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 16, 1528926.

2025

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: Q3

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.2298/PSI230222013G>

Gölbaşı, C., Çökmüş, F. P., Mustoo Bašer, L., Gölbaşı, H., Ünal Aydın, P., & Aydın, O. (2025). The Associations between Mindfulness, Metacognition and HbA1c Levels Among Diabetic Pregnant Patients: a Case Control Study. *Psihologija*, 58(2).

2023

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: N/A

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.53617/issn2744-2047.2023.23.1.61>

Mustoo Bašer, L. (2023). Subjective Well-being of Female Nursing Home Residents and Elderly Widowed Females Living with Families: Perspective from Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Journal of Adult Education/ "Obrazovanje odraslih"*, 23(1), 61-80.

2023

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: N/A

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.21533/bjyyxc85>

Mustoo Bašer, L. (2023). Trainees' intrapsychic attunement in the process of psychotherapy training. *Epiphany*, 16(1), 132-144.

2022

Journal article

Scimago Journal Rank: Q1

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.abrep.2022.100463>

Mustoo Bašer, L., Çökmüş, F. P., Tvrtković, S., Obuća, F., Ünal-Aydın, P., Aydın, O., & Spada, M. M. (2022). The role of desire thinking in the problematic use of social networking sites among adults. *Elsevier, Addictive Behaviors Reports*, 16, 100463.

2022

Book Chapter

ISBN: 978-1-68507-918-5; ISSN: 2159-113X.

Mustoo Bašer, L., Ünal- Aydın, P., & Aydın, O. (2022). Social Cognition: A Promising Therapeutic Target in Schizophrenia. *Horizons in Neuroscience Research*, Nova Science Publishers, Inc. New York.

2018

Book chapter

ISBN 978-9926- 8247-2-3.

Draganović, S., Mustoo, L. (2018). Posttraumatic Stress Disorder. Fond of Canton Sarajevo for Building and Maintenance of Fallen Soldiers, Memorial Centers and Memories of the Genocide.

2023

Conference proceedings

CEO SSC (Communication, Economics, Organization, & Social Sciences Congress).

ISBN: 978-625-99157-0-8.

Ünal- Aydın, P., Mustoo Başer, L., Bozkurt, Z., Akkul, N., Kançeltik, A., Hoca, C.H., Abdić, M., Aydın, O. (2023). Associations of Metacognition and Internet Gaming Disorder Among University Students in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

2025

Conference paper

33rd European Congress of Psychiatry (EPA2025)

Scimago Journal Rank: Q1

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1192/j.eurpsy.2025.2151>

Mustoo-Başer, L. (2025). Unconscious processes in psychotherapy and supervision: Difficulties in the supervisory relationship. Cambridge University Press, European Psychiatry, 68(S1), S1063-S1063.

2025

Conference paper

XIV International Conference of Social and Technological Development

ISSN 2637-3298.

Ćosić, M., Kojić, D., Ahmić, A., Mustoo Başer, L. (2025). Artificial Intelligence and Education: Balancing Digital Transformation and Mental Health. XIV International Conference of Social and Technological Development, pg. 48.

2025

Conference paper

The 6th International Congress of New Horizons in Science and Social Sciences (INCOHIS 2025)

ISBN: 978-625-95551-3-3.

Ćosić, M., Mustoo Başer, L., & Obuća F. (2025). Navigating digital realities: Internet Behaviors, Life Goals, and Perspectives on Educational Digitalization among Bosnian-Herzegovinian Youth. INCOHIS 2025, pg. 11.

2024

Conference paper

Third International Congress of Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy: „Reflection of Communication and Relationships on the Health of Children, Youth and Families: Therapeutic Approaches”. BHIDAPA- EAPTI - Bosnian-Herzegovinian Integrative Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy Association, Unicef, World Health Organization (WHO), Federal Ministry of Health of Bosnia & Herzegovina.

ISSN 2744-1164 (online), p.57.

Mustoo Başer, L., Obuća, F., & Tvrtković-Hasandić, S. (2024). The influence of Age, Gender, and Grade point average on Emotional and Behavioral problems in Bosnian & Herzegovinian Adolescents and Young adults.

2024

Conference paper

20th International Conference, Days of Applied Psychology (DAP 2024), Department of Psychology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Niš, Serbia.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.46630/abdpp.2024>

Mustoo Başer, L. (2024). Intimacy and Boundaries in Psychotherapy: Novice Psychotherapist and Distanced Client. DAP2024, p.71.

2024

Conference paper

32nd European Congress of Psychiatry (EPA2024)

Scimago Journal Rank: Q1

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1192/j.eurpsy.2024.1571>

Mustoo Başer, L., & Aydın O. (2024). Psychosocial difficulties as a predictor of overall functioning in individuals with schizophrenia: a case-control study. Cambridge University Press, European Psychiatry, 2024, volume 67.

2024

Conference paper

The 7th ERL Conference - Links Between Beliefs and Language

Mustoo Başer, L., Tvrtković-Hasandić, S., & Obuća, F. (2024). Identity Expression and Bilingualism: How the Language We Speak Influences Cognition and Emotion. ERL, p. 43.

2023

Conference paper

First Congress of Psychotherapists in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Psychotherapy within a changing world.

ISBN: 978- 9926- 8772- 0- 0.

Mustoo Başer, L. (2023). Integration of Synergetics in Psychology and Psychotherapy. First Congress of Psychotherapists in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Psychotherapy within a changing world.

2022

Conference paper

7th Congress of Psychologists of Bosnia and Herzegovina with International Participation, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina, p. 57

Obuća, F., Mustoo Başer, L., Poyraz Çökmüş, F., Tvrtković, S., Ünal-Aydın, P., Aydın, O., Spada, M. M. (2022). The role of desire thinking in problematic social networking sites use among adults.

2019

Conference paper

Maltepe University, Faculty of Education, Türkiye.

ISBN 978-605-2124-20-8.

Delić, A., Mustoo, L. (2019). Speaking anxiety in classroom among Turkish students at International University of Sarajevo. Maltepe University, Faculty of Education, Türkiye.

PROJECTS

01/01/2025 – CURRENT

CORE-ED ACADEMY PROJECT, Co-funded by the European Union, European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)

Project Number 101179359

"Fostering Inclusion and Shared Values in Juvenile Justice through Correctional Pedagogy and Specialist Professionalization, Empowered by the LiberateSkill Correctional Excellence Pact for Skills".

CONGRESSES, CONFERENCES, & SYMPOSIUMS PARTICIPATION

Congress participation

31/05/2025 – 01/06/2025 The 6th International Congress of New Horizons in Science and Social Sciences (INCOHIS 2025), Istanbul, Türkiye.

05/04/2025 – 08/04/2025 The 33rd European Congress of Psychiatry (EPA 2025), Madrid, Spain.

03/10/2024 – 06/10/2024 The Third International & Interdisciplinary Congress of Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy; theme: "Reflection on Communication and Relationships in Achieving Health of Children, Adolescents and Families: Therapeutic Approaches", Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina; European Accredited Psychotherapy Training Institute for Integrative Psychotherapy (BHIDAPA-EAPTI), Unicef, World Health Organization (WHO), Federal Ministry of Health of Bosnia & Herzegovina.

06/04/2024 – 09/04/2024 The 32nd European Congress of Psychiatry (EPA 2024), Budapest, Hungary.

16/06/2023 – 18/06/2023 The 6th International CEO SSC (Communication, Economics, Organization, & Social Sciences Congress), Acacia University, Arizona-United States of America.

23/03/2023 – 26/03/2023 First Congress of Psychotherapists in B&H with international participation held under the theme: "Psychotherapy within the changing world", Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

12/05/2022 – 15/05/2022 Seventh Congress of Bosnia and Herzegovina Psychologists with international participation, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

04/04/2019 – 05/04/2019 International Student Congress „Building a Better Future through Education“, Maltepe University Faculty of Education, Istanbul, Türkiye.

● Conference participation

12/12/2025 – 12/12/2025 The third international scientific conference "Social sciences and humanities facing the challenges of the 21st century" DHS 2025, Faculty of Philosophy of the University of Tuzla, Bosnia & Herzegovina.

11/09/2025 – 12/09/2025 The second international conference in the social protection system: "The future of psychosocial work and the role of prevention in creating a more resilient society", Bosnia & Herzegovina. Cantonal Public Institution Family Counseling Center Sarajevo, Federal Ministry Labour, Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection, Republic of Austria.

12/06/2025 – 15/06/2025 XIV International Conference on Social and Technological Development (STED 2025), Bosnia & Herzegovina.

27/09/2024 – 28/09/2024 International Conference 20th Days of Applied Psychology, Department of Psychology, Faculty of Philosophy of the University of Niš, Serbia.

27/06/2024 – 28/06/2024 The 7th International Pedagogic and Linguistic Educational Role of Language (ERL) Conference, International University of Sarajevo (IUS), B&H.

08/10/2021 – 09/10/2021 Creativity and Social Responsibility- 10th Conference, European Association for Integrative Psychotherapy (EAIP), Athens, Greece.

24/11/2018 – 25/11/2018 Second EMDR conference in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Association of EMDR therapist in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Trauma Aid UK, EMDR UK & Ireland.

● Symposium Participation & Professional Events

13/07/2026 - 14/07/2026 Participation in the First Expert Meeting of Psychological Counselors in the Academic Community ("Psychological support in the academic community: Meeting of psychological counselors in higher education"), University of Rijeka, Croatia; representing the International University of Sarajevo (IUS) and the IUS Student Psychological Counseling Centre (SPCC).

24/02/2023 – 24/02/2023 Joint Symposium on Ethics, Ukrainian Umbrella Association of Psychotherapy (UUP), & European Association for Psychotherapy (EAP).

TRAININGS, SEMINARS, & INTERNATIONAL MOBILITIES

● Trainings & Seminars

20/06/2026 - 20/06/2026 Seminar in "Intimacy and sexual health in psychotherapy: an integrative clinical approach". Diagnostics, therapeutic interventions and contemporary challenges in working with adults and couples., 4 hours, Prof. Goran Arbanas, MD, PhD, FECSM, Center for psychological support "Sensus", Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

05/05/2026 – 05/05/2026 Seminar in "AI in psychotherapy", 3 hours, 05th May 2026, Prof. Goran Arbanas, MD, PhD, FECSM, Institute "D.O.M", Zagreb, Croatia.

19/04/2024 – 21/05/2024 Completed specialized training of the "Here & Now" Interdisciplinary Network of Experts: "Let's protect adolescent girls", 30 hours, BHIDAPA, Federal Ministry of Health, Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, Federal Ministry of Education and Science, UNICEF.

02/08/2022 – 09/08/2022 Participation in the Center for advanced studies (CNS) Summer School Program, Sarajevo- B&H, & Podgorica- Montenegro.

16/03/2021 – 30/03/2021 Training in "Psychology of lying"- training seminar PL2 Advanced level, educators: Mirko Zorić and Goran Kojić. Center for behavioral research- CBI Valentis, Serbia.

22/02/2021 – 25/02/2021 Training in "Psychology of lying"- training seminar PL1 Basic level (Behavioral decoding and Lie detection); educators: Mirko Zorić and Goran Kojić. Center for behavioral research- CBI Valentis, Serbia.

26/06/2020 – 28/06/2020 Seminar in PSY assessment, Personality assessment, adult Intelligence assessment, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. International University of Sarajevo; trainer: Senadin Fadić, Ph.D.

24/05/2019 – 24/05/2019 Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA) Test training, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. International University of Sarajevo (IUS) Counseling Center.

17/12/2018 – 20/12/2018 Türkiye Addictive Combat Practitioner Training program, Capacity Building Program. International Federation of Green Crescents, Antalya, Türkiye.

02/11/2018 – 02/11/2018 Participation in Standardised Mini- Mental State Examination (SMMSE) workshop, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Counseling Center, International University of Sarajevo (IUS).

International Mobilities

18/10/2023 – 26/10/2023 Participation in Erasmus+ Course in "The Great Resignation" phenomenon, Civic Orientation and Social Integration (COSI), Bucharest, Romania.

EU Youthpass Certificate obtained.

04/07/2022 – 08/07/2022 Participation in KA107 Erasmus+ Training, Staff International Week, at University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Journal reviews

Reviewed for journals:

Scientific Reports (Q1; 1 paper)

BMC Nursing (Q1; 2 papers)

Frontiers in Psychology (Q1; 1 paper)

Psihologija (Q3; 3 papers)

Epiphany Journal of Transdisciplinary Studies (5 papers)

Speaking, Workshop Facilitation, & Mentoring

Organized two study visits for PSY students to the Cantonal Public Institution Family Counseling Center and the "Sentivo" Nursing Home as part of the course "Psychology of Adulthood and Aging" during the Spring Semester 2025/26.

Mentored the workshop "Identity, Well-being, and Peacebuilding" and the formation of the SDG installation "Take What You Need," both of which were delivered and presented during IUS SDG Week 2026 (May 18–22, 2026).

Speaker at Panel: "Art as Resistance", December 10, 2025.

Held 2 workshops "Empathy in Adolescence", within IUS Summer School, July & August 2025.

Exhibition Promoter, "Blue Harmony"- IUS, March 2025

Held 2 workshops "Navigating Adolescence", and "Emotional Intelligence" within IUS Summer School, July 2024.

Organized study visit to Center for Healthy Aging Ilidža, B&H, for course "Psychology of Adulthood and Aging", May 2024.

Mentored workshops "Violence- a call for help" and "How air pollution impacts brain health" on IUS 2023 Sustainable Development (SDG) Week from December 04-08, 2023.

Mentoring the presenting team of IUS Psychology Program to Festival of Children and Youth "Children and young people are telling you" on topic "Bullying- a call for help", November 2023.

Organized study visit to Center for Mental Health in Visoko, B&H, for course "Psychology of Adulthood and Aging", May 2023.

Held workshop on the topic of Emotional Intelligence at Center for education and research "Nahla", Sarajevo, 23rd October, 2022.

Speaker at International Psychology Students Congress, International Psychology Students Association (IPSA), 21st May, 2022, Zoom Platform.

Speaker at International Psychology Students Event, International Psychology Students Association (IPSA), 12th March 2021, Zoom Platform.

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Institutional Service

Internship Advisor for the IUS Psychology (PSY) Program, First Cycle, since February 2026.

Organizing Committee Member of IUS SDG Week 2026 (May 18-22, 2026), contributing to the preparation and implementation of SDG-related activities and events.

Committee member for accreditation THEQC AQAS process, December 2025.

Faculty Council member for Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at IUS, since December 2025.

Active participation in creation of Psychology Program Self-Evaluation Report (SER) document preparation for IUS reaccreditation process, Fall Semester 2024.

Appointed as a member of The Committee for Promotion and Communication of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at IUS, since December 2024.

Assisting moderation of the 7th International Pedagogic and Linguistic ERL Conference, 27th-28th June 2024, International University of Sarajevo (IUS), B&H.

Appointed as a member of the executive committee for establishment of Media and Communication Studies (MAC) at IUS, December 2023.

Appointed as a member of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Executive Committee at IUS, November 2023.

Appointed as a member of the Job Interview Selection Committee at IUS, September & October, 2022.

Participation in 1st Maker Faire Festival, 28th- 29th May, 2022, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, presenting Virtual Reality Therapy (VR).

Academic advisor during the Course registration period at International University of Sarajevo, since October 2019.

COURSE DELIVERY EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Level, Bachelor

Research Methods in Psychology
Life-span Development
Personality Psychology
Educational Psychology
Positive Psychology
Introduction to Psychology
Introduction to Psychology II
Adolescent Psychology
Social Psychology
Psychology of Adulthood and Aging