

Anita Hrnjak

Anita Hrnjak was born in Zagreb on 19 August 1972. In 1997 she graduated from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Zagreb in Comparative Literature and Russian Language and Literature. During her studies she won the Josip Badalić Student Excellence Award for the best B.A. thesis in the study of Russian Language and Literature. At the same faculty she enrolled in the postgraduate study in Linguistics in 2000, which she completed in 2005 when she defended her master's thesis titled "*Frazemi s bojom kao komponentom (na materijalu hrvatskih i ruskih frazema)*", which earned her a Master's degree in Philology. She enrolled in the Postgraduate Doctoral Study Programme in Linguistics at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Zagreb and under the supervision of professor Željka Fink Arsovski, PhD, she is currently working on her doctoral thesis "*Rodni elementi u hrvatskoj i ruskoj frazeologiji*", which was accepted in 2011.

She taught Russian language classes in the foreign language school Link Between Slavs from 1997 to 2000. In the period from 2000 to 2005 she worked as a research associate at the Institute for Linguistic Research of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts. Since 2005 she has worked as a language instructor in Russian at the Russian Language Section of the Department of East Slavic Languages at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Zagreb. In 2009 she was elected to the position of senior language instructor.

As a teacher at the Russian Language Section she taught courses *Russian for Special Purposes 1 and 2* (2005-2007) and *Phonetic Exercises* (2006-2010), and currently holds classes in the courses *Russian Language Exercises 1 and 2* (since 2005) and *Reading 3 and 4* (since 2007).

Her areas of interest are phraseology, phraseography, gender linguistics, linguistic culturology and cognitive linguistics. Since 2000 she has worked as a researcher at the research project "*Croatian Phraseology*" led by Academician Antica Menac, which is still in progress under the same name. Since 2007 she has also worked as a researcher on the project "*Contrastive Study of Russian and Croatian Languages*" led by professor Željka Fink Arsovski, PhD. Both projects are financed by the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia. In her research she deals with the issues of general and comparative Croatian and Russian phraseology, gender issues in language and phraseology, linguo-culturological issues, applying the insights of cognitive linguistics in phraseology and the possible use of all these elements in phraseographic practice. As of April 2015 she has published 35 scholarly and professional papers, listed in the *Croatian Scientific Bibliography* (cf. <http://bib.irb.hr/lista-radova?autor=267045>). She publishes in Croatian and Russian in Croatia, Russia, Poland and Hungary.

She has presented her work at 19 local and international linguistics conferences.

She is the author of the Russian language textbook "*Шаг за шагом*" (Knjigra: Zagreb, 2010), co-author (with Željka Fink Arsovski and Barbara Kovačević) of "*Bibliografija hrvatske frazeologije*" (Knjigra: Zagreb, 2010) and co-editor (with Željka Fink Arsovski) of the Proceedings of the international conference "*Slavenska frazeologija i pragmatika*" (Zagreb, 2007).

As secretary of the organizing committee she actively participated in the organization of the international conference "*Slavenska frazeologija i pragmatika*" which was held from 17 to 19 September 2006 in the town of Rab.

In the period from 2004 to 2005 she worked as secretary to the board of the scholarly journal "*Filologija*" of the Department of Philological Sciences of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts.

She is a member of the Croatian Association of Applied Linguistics and Croatian Philological Association.

She translates from Russian in professional journals.

