

BIOGRAPHY

Ph.D Jelena Nikolić, Assistant Professor

She was born on 1 August 1977 in Lennestadt, Germany. She has finished primary school and high school with honors. She enrolled Faculty of Economics (Module Management), University of Kragujevac in academic 1996/1997 years. She graduated in 2001 with the average grade 9.58. She successfully defended degree thesis with the theme: “*Risk in managerial decision making*” from the subject *Theory and Methodology of Decision Making* with grade 10.00. She was named the best student of the generation 1996/1997 of the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. During that period she has been assigned *National Grant* from Ministry of Education and local municipality’s *Grant for Exquisite Young Talents*.

She enrolled in postgraduate studies at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, department Management, section Management and Organization in academic 2001/2002. She passed all the exams specified by syllabus with the average grade 10.00. She successfully defended master thesis with the title “*Boards of directors effectiveness in the decision making process*” in December 2008 at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac. She successfully defended Ph.D. thesis entitled “*The internal mechanisms of corporate governance as a determinant of strategic decision-making*” in October 2014. Jelena Nikolić received her PhD from the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, Serbia.

At the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, she has been employed in various titles (since 2001): trainee assistant (2001-2009) on the course of *Decision Making Theory* (Bachelor studies) and teaching assistant (2009-2015) on the courses of *Introduction to Management* (Bachelor studies) and *Decision Making Theory* (Bachelor studies). Since 2015, she is an assistant professor teaching the courses of *Introduction to Management* (Bachelor studies) and *Decision Making Theory* (Bachelor studies), *Corporate Governance* (Master studies) and *Corporate Governance Theory* (Doctoral studies). She has more than fifteen years experience in education and teaching students – providing professional and academic support for students at the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac.

She was team member on TEMPUS project *Development of Lifelong Learning Framework in Serbia* Project N°145010-TEMPUS-2008-RS-JPHES (2009-2012), Grantholder: University of Kragujevac. Also, she was team member in the fundamental research project reviewed by foreign experts: *Corporate Governance Development in Transition Economies* (2003-2006), Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, funded by Ministry of Science. Jelena Nikolić is actively involved in following activities of importance for the functioning of the Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac: Secretary of the Department of Management and Business Economics (2009-2011); Member of the Working Group for the Integrity Plan (2012-2013); Member of the Organizing Committee of the 4th International Scientific Conference Contemporary Issues in Economics, Business and Management - EBM 2016 (2016); President of the Organizing Committee of the 5th International Scientific Conference on Contemporary Issues in Economics, Business and Management - EBM 2017 (2017); Member of the Commission for Undergraduate and Graduate Studies (2017-); Head of the Module Management - Study Program of Business Economics and Management (2017-).

She has been a reviewer of prominent international journal *Economic Research*. Also, she has been a reviewer of international monographs and proceedings, as well as domestic journals. She is a member of the Association of Economists of Kragujevac. Her research interest focus is on strategic decision making, corporate governance, board of directors, ownership structure and corporate entrepreneurship. She is the author and co-author of a number of scientific and professional papers published in the country and abroad, in the field of corporate governance and strategic management.