



LAURA SHUMKA

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

CAREER OVERVIEW

Prof. Assoc. Dr. Laura Shumka is full-time academic staff and Coordinator at the Department of Architecture and Design

FIELDS OF EXPERTISE

- Civil Engineering,
- Urban Design, Restoration

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Laura Shumka is Associate Professor, full-time academic staff and Coordinator at the Department of Architecture and Design at Barleti University, Tirana. From 2020 to 2023, she was Head of the Department of Art and Design at the Albanian University, Tirana. In May 2018, for a period of two weeks, she was a guest lecturer at the Faculty of Architecture, Selçuk University, Konya, Turkey.

She completed her university studies in 1991 at the University of Tirana (today UPT), Faculty of Civil Engineering, in the Department of Architecture/Urban Planning. Laura has completed scientific qualifications in the field of conservation and restoration of cultural monuments, wall frescoes and icons, at the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments, Skopje, North Macedonia (1993-1995).

She has research and scientific experience in the country and abroad, in the fields of the architecture of cult objects, the conservation of wall frescoes, the evaluation of the degrading factors of cultural monuments and the application of conservation standards with non-invasive methods, actively evaluating the study of the landscape, connectivity and also its conservation. In addition, by actively collaborating with researchers in several other disciplines of engineering science and nature conservation, she has made numerous contributions to the declaration of UNESCO world heritage sites (Lake Ohrid site) or other protected areas

She was and is a member of the working groups of more than 4 research projects in the above fields. Published over 20 scientific articles in international journals (9 publications in scientific journals with impact factor Thomson Reuters/Scopus/JCR), Member of the Scientific and Organizational Board in many National and International Conferences, Journals and conducted review of numerous scientific articles.