



# UNIVERSITY "PROF. ASEN ZLATAROV"

Department of "Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology"

## REVIEW



Department of "Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology"  
by competition for the academic position "Associate Professor"

Field of higher education: 1. Pedagogical sciences

Professional direction: 1.2. Pedagogy (Art pedagogy – fine art and constructive-technological activities in kindergarten and primary school)

Candidate: Ch. assistant Professor Gergana Angelova Avramova – Todorova, PhD

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### 1. Description of the tender procedure

The competition was announced for the needs of the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of "Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology", announced in the "State Gazette", no. 43 of May 17, 2024. One candidate participated in it – ch. assistant professor Gergana Angelova Avramova – Todorova, Ph.D.

During the announcement and conduct of the competition, all the necessary procedures under the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for the Terms and Conditions for Acquiring Scientific Degrees and Occupying Academic Positions at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Burgas.

The position foresees a learning load in the field of teaching methodology in fine arts and constructive – technological activities in kindergarten and primary school.

The documents submitted by the applicant for participation in the competition meet all the requirements for the competition.

### 2. Biographical data of the candidate

Ch. assistant Gergana Angelova Avramova – Todorova, Ph.D., is finishing her university degree education at the Burgas Free University with a specialty in law. Later, he obtained a master's degree in social counseling and psychology and a second one in art therapy from the National Academy of Arts.



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He also successfully defended his doctorate in preschool and primary school pedagogy.

Over the years, Gergana Avramova worked at the „St. Kiril and Metodii“ People's Community Center and the „Paisii Hilendarski“ People's Community Center, Burgas, as well as at "Port Burgas – workforce company".

Since 2006, he has been an assistant, and since 2023, he has been the main assistant at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Burgas.

He actively participates in the activities of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of "Pedagogy and Teaching Methodology" by teaching bachelor's and master's students, and also participates in education on SDC.

### 3. Scientific indicators

The candidate for the academic position "associate professor" Ch. assistant professor PhD. Gergana Avramova – Todorova successfully fulfills all scientific indicators, according to the Regulations for the conditions and procedures for acquiring scientific degrees and for holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Burgas.

The indicator from group "A" – 50 points has been successfully fulfilled. With a developed and published monograph, presented as a habilitation thesis, she also fulfills the indicator from group B with the maximum 100 points.

*Thus, the total number of points for indicator "A" is 50 points, and for indicator "A" – 100 points.*

The requirements were also met for indicators from group "D" with a total of 438 of the required 400 points. A published book based on a dissertation work for the award of the PhD – 75 points, as well as articles and reports published in scientific publications, referenced and indexed in world databases with scientific information, respectively with 63 points, as well as articles and papers published in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals or published in edited collective volumes with 280 pts. A published chapter of a collective monograph with 20 points is also presented.

*Thus, the total number of points under indicator "D" is 438 points.*



Indicators from group "D" were also exceeded with 210 of the required 100 points. Here are presented 60 points from citations in scientific publications, referenced and indexed in global databases of scientific information or in monographs and collective volumes.

Also presented are 60 points of citations in peer-reviewed monographs and collective volumes, as well as 60 points of citations in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals.

*Thus, the total number of points under indicator "D" is 210 points.*

A large number of points above the required are also reported for indicators from group "E". Thus, 40 points are counted for successful participation in a national scientific project, and 40 and 30 points are presented for participation in an international scientific project and leadership of a national scientific project, respectively.

*Thus, the total number of points under indicator "E" is 100 points.*

This gives me reason to confirm that the presented scientific production from ch. as. Gergana Avramova – Todorova, Ph.D., corresponds to the scient metric requirements for the position of "associate professor" laid down in the Regulations for the conditions and procedures for acquiring scientific degrees and for holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Burgas.

#### **4. Directions in the candidate's research work and scientific contributions**

Gergana Avramova–Todorova is the author of 39 diverse scientific and methodical publications – monograph, chapter of a monograph, reports in Bulgarian and international collections. The main ones are independently developed.

It is important to note that six of the articles were published in journals with an impact factor, and 10 were in English, which is an excellent indicator for the candidate in the as. prof. competition.

The scientific research and methodological work of Gergana Avramova – Todorova can be structured in several main directions.

#### ***A developed and successfully tested integral education approach***

Gergana Avramova develops and effectively implements an approach for integrating activities from the visual arts, practical and constructive activities. It is based on a leading



**6. Conclusion**

On the basis of the materials submitted for the competition, I believe that the candidate ch. assistant professor Gergana Angelova Avramova – Todorova, Ph.D., meets the criteria for holding the academic position of "associate professor", defined by the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Rules for its Implementation, as well as the Rules for the Conditions and Procedures for Acquiring scientific degrees and for holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov", Burgas.

I propose to the respected members of the Scientific Jury to vote positively and propose to the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov, Burgas, to elect ch. assistant professor PhD. Gergana Angelova Avramova – Todorova to the academic position of "associate professor" in professional direction 1.2. Pedagogy (Art pedagogy – fine art and constructive–technological activities in kindergarten and primary school).

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**Member of the scientific jury:**

(Prof. DSc. Lyuben Vitanov)