

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Elena Trifan

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Sex Female | Date of birth 09/05/1989 | Nationality Romanian

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1 Oct 2013–Present

PhD in Sociology

SNSPA, București (Romania)

1 Apr 2015–1 Jul 2015

PhD Mobility Scholarship

University of Perugia, Perugia (Italy)

25 Jul 2013–8 Aug 2013

Konitsa Summer School in Anthropology, Ethnography and Comparative Folklore of the Balkans

University of Ioannina, Ioannina (Greece)

1 Oct 2011–1 Jun 2013

Master's Degree

SNSPA, Bucharest (Romania)

Social Anthropology, Economic Anthropology, Material Culture, Political Anthropology, Anthropology of Alimentation

1 Oct 2008–1 Jul 2011

Bachelor's Degree

SNSPA, Bucharest (Romania)

Sociology, Political Science, Anthropology

WORK EXPERIENCE

1 Nov 2015–30 Apr 2016

Sociologist

Asociația Mișcarea pentru Acțiune și Inițiativă Europeană (MAIE), București (Romania)

- Creating research methods and instruments
- Moderating focus-groups
- Writing research reports
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1 Nov 2014–1 Jan 2015

Researcher

Center for Urban and Regional Sociology, Bucharest (Romania)

Conducting focus-groups in the project „Youth in Romania” -
http://www.fes.ro/media/2014_news/Raport-FES-Tiner...

1 Apr 2011–1 Jun 2013

Media monitor expert

Active Watch - Media Monitoring Agency
Calea Plevnei, 98, Bucuresti (Romania)

<http://www.activewatch.ro>

Monitoring TV-shows, newspapers and advertisements in the project Altfem regarding the image of women in Romanian media.

Media monitoring in the project "Local and Parliamentary Elections 2012"

Collaboration in the development of the final report in the project "Local and Parliamentary Elections 2012"

Business or sector ONG

1 Apr 2013–1 Jun 2013

Resercher

FUNDATIA DESIRE pentru Deschidere si Reflexie Sociala,, Cluj-Napoca (Romania)

Conducting interviews in Calarași County with members of Roma communities in urban and rural settings.

Colaboration in construction of final report.

1 Feb 2012–1 Jul 2013

Researcher

SNSPA

Povernei, nr 4-6, Bucharest (Romania)

Conducting interviews with representatives of local government; Conducting interviews with representatives of the Roma community; Conducting interviews with NGO representatives which have projects regarding the Roma minority.

Construction of the research instrument: a questionnaire about the education law; Coordinating the team of survey operators.

Coordination of MA students in the annual fieldwork of the Anthropology Master of 2013. The research focused on Obor district of Calarași.

Business or sector Social Research

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Romanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C1	C1	C1	C1
Spanish	B2	B2	B1	B1	B2
French	B1	B1	A1	A2	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills Good communication skills gained by conducting multiple interviews and focus groups.

Public speaking skills gained by attending international and national conferences where I presented the results of my researches.

Organisational / managerial skills

Good team-leading skills gained as as coordinating the team of survey operators in multiple research projects.

Good organisational skills as part of organizing committee of Romanian Social and Cultural Antropological Sociology International Conference

Job-related skills Research skills: ability to define a problem or research question, design a study to find answers, design the appropriate instruments, code and analyze the data, report (orally and in writing) on the findings, and make recommendations based on the findings. Being able to conceptualize a project from inception to conclusion is the key.

Analytical skills, particularly problem-solving and sharp, critical thinking as well as the ability to analyze, synthesize, and interpret information.

Cross-cultural understanding, especially regarding racial, ethnic, and gender differences in values, perceptions, and approaches to work.

Digital competence

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Proficient user	Proficient user	Independent user	Independent user	Independent user

Digital competences - Self-assessment grid

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Conferences

„A self-made panacea: deconstructing the perfect self in personal development practices in Bucharest" presented in the panel *Narratives on agency, well-being and everyday lives in real and imagined societies*, at SIEF2015 12th Congress: Zagreb, Croatia. 21-25 June 2015

„How to become a better version of yourself: (re)construction of self-developed individuals in Bucharest" presented in the panel *Re-embedding the market economy: innovation, legacy, and techniques of intimate sociality after socialism*, at the 13th EASA (European Association of Social Anthropologists) Biennial Conference

„For a better version of yourself: an ethnography of a personal development group in Bucharest" presented in the panel "Person, recognition and technologies of the self" in the 10th Annual Conference of the Romanian Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology

Part of the Romanian organizing committee for the Bucharest edition of the 11th International "Border Crossings" Student Conference 25- 28 April 2013, Bucharest, Romania "Border Crossings and experiencing transitions: On Border Anthropology and Anthropological Nomadism"

Part of the organizing committee of the 8th, 9th and 10th Annual Conference of the Romanian Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology (SASC).

Publications

Coauthor of the chapter "Calarasi" in "Marginalizarea socio-teritorială a comunitatilor de romi din Romania. Studii de caz în judetele Alba, Arad, Calarasi, Dolj si Iasi". Enikő Vincze (ed.) si Iulia-Elena Hossu (ed.). Editura Fundatiei pentru Studii Europene, colectia Studii Culturale 13, 2014;

Author of the article „Coaching and personal development: the construction of the self in a community of practice in Bucharest", *Romanian Journal of Politics and Society*, october 2015

Coauthor of the article "Ecologia, antreprenoarea si corba: impactul politicilor conservacioniste asupra locuitorilor din Delta Dunarii which appeared in the volume "La masa cu oamenii Deltei. O cartografiere a practicilor gastronomice" coordinated by Monica Stroe and Bogdan Iancu, Bucharest: Coresi, 2012.