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Work experience

Dates | **October 2014 – on-going**

Teacher of English

Main activities and responsibilities | Teaching English to kindergarten children, supervising their work, engaging in outdoor activities, help demonstrate activities and model language, work with individuals/pairs.

Name of employer | Montessori Kindergarten Bucharest – Education for Life

Sector | Education

Dates | **September 2012 – December 2014**

Teaching Assistant

Main activities and responsibilities | Monitor students during activities, help maintain attention and behaviour, hand out materials, help demonstrate activities and model language, work with individuals/pairs, check homework, translating for parents.

Name of employer | British Council Romania

Sector | Education

Dates | **March 2012 – June 2012**

Assistant Project Manager

Main activities and responsibilities | Support in community-organising trainings, educational modules, status reports, data bases, funding research, meeting interested partners, logistics, editing and printing spread sheet materials.

Name of employer | SynergEtica Foundation

Type of business or sector | NGO

Dates | **October 2009 - November 2010**

PC Operator

Main activities and responsibilities | Creating a digital archive of old cadastral documents: typing, correcting, exporting files, supervising new employees.

Name of employer | S.C. XOR-IT Systems SRL

Sector | IT

Education and training

Dates | **October 2014 – on going (May 2018)**

PhD Candidate

Principal subjects covered	Anthropology of childhood – researching and writing about the childhood experience of children engaged in homeschooling in Bucharest.
Institution	National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest, Department of Anthropology
Coordinating teacher	Prof. Univ. Vintila Mihailescu

Dates | **October 2012 – July 2014**

MA candidate

Principal subjects covered	Anthropology Graduated with a thesis on children's free time in Bucharest: "Etnografii ale copilăriei: timp liber în rândul copiilor cu activități extracurriculare din București"
Institution	National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest, Department of Anthropology
Coordinating teacher	Lector Univ. Bogdan Iancu, Prof. Univ. Vintila Mihailescu

Dates | **1st March 2011 – 27th July 2011**

Erasmus LLP student

Principal subjects/ skills covered	Comparative politics, European Project Cycle Management, International Decentralised Cooperation, Analysis and Evaluation of Public Policy, Global Economy in Historical Perspective.
Institution	Universita degli Studi di Padova, Department of Political Science

Dates | **2010 – 2012**

Fellow - Member of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung in Romania

Principal subjects/ skills covered	Debates, open discussions with political and cultural personalities, methodological workshops, project initiatives all summing up to the assessment of the level of democracy in Romania.
Institution	Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Romania – German foundation assessing the level and development of democracy in Romania, providing student and research scholarships and funding projects related to democratic development.

Dates | **2009 - 2012**

Bachelor

Principal subjects/ skills covered	Political science: political communication, political philosophy, international relations, political systems, political sociology, research methods in political science, international organisations, international politics, theories of democracy, politics and society.
Institution	<i>Bucharest University, Department of Political Science in English</i>
Coordinating teacher	Conf. Univ. Ioan Stanomir

Dates | **2005 - 2009**

High school graduate

Academic profile | Bilingual philology
Name of institution providing education and training | "Zinca Golescu" National College, Pitesti

Language

Mother tongue | Romanian

Other languages | **English; French; Italian**

Self-assessment <i>European level (*)</i>	Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
	Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
English	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
French	B2	Advanced user	B2	Advanced user	B2	Advanced user	B2	Advanced user	B2	Advanced user
Italian	A2	Advanced user	A2	Advanced user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user

(*) [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

April, 2012 | IELTS certificate 8.5 out of 9

June 2011 | Italian language certificate A2, (90/100), Universita degli Studi di Padova

March, 2009 | Certificate of Advanced Linguistic Competency in English, Ministry of Education, Research and Innovation, Romania.

March, 2008 | Cambridge ESOL Level 2 Certificate in Advanced English - Grade B.

Academic Activity

Publications

To be published | Article: *"Preparing for a 'good life': extracurriculars and the Romanian middle class"*, co-authors Ștefan Lipan & Magdalena Crăciun, (passed first review), **East European Politics & Societies and Cultures**.

TBP 2018 | Article: *"Doing social science research with and about children in Romania: methodological and ethical challenges"*, co-author Ștefan Lipan, (accepted for publishing), **Romanian Journal of Society and Politics**.

TBP 2018 | Article: *"O abordare etnografică a experienței copilăriei în bucureștiul contemporan"*, (accepted for publishing), **Revista Calitatea Vieții, București**.

TBP 2018 | Chapter: *"Practici educaționale ale clasei de mijloc din România. Homeschooling și activități extracurriculare în rândul familiilor middle-class din București"*, (accepted for publishing), in **Clasa de mijloc: abordări antropologice**, (ed. Magdalena Crăciun), Polirom, Iași.

February 2016 | Chapter: *"Nostalgii alimentare: memorie, mâncare, comunism"*, in the volume **Prezentul comunismului: memorie culturală și abordări istoriografice** (Eds. Claudia Florentina DOBRE, Valeriu ANTONOVICI), Ratio et Revelatio, Oradea, 2016, ISBN: 978-606-8680-39-2.

April 2014 Chapter: *“Umor și politică în România comunistă: viața între râs și frică”* in the volume ***Politică și societate în era Ceaușescu*** (Ed. Florin SOARE), Polirom Iași, 2014, ISBN: 978-973-46-4338-7.

Conference papers

- September 2017 Participant at the **International Conference “Ethnographies of Class in Central and Eastern Europe”** hosted by National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA) in Bucharest. My paper – *“Living la vida...Deutsche! Extracurriculars and the fragility of the Romanian middle class”* – explores the connections between childhood, new educational practices and class aspirations in Bucharest, Romania.
- June 2017 Participant at the **10th Biennale AAGE Conference “Culture, Commitment and Care across the Life Course”**, hosted by the Oxford Brookes University in Oxford. My paper is entitled *“Exploring childhood experiences and notions of class in Bucharest, Romania”* and deals with constructions of class ideals and childhood experiences in Bucharest, Romania.
- October 2016 Participant at the **4th International Conference of the Romanian Society of Sociology - “New Societies, Old Minorities / New Minorities, Old Societies?”**- hosted by the Lucian Blaga University in Sibiu. My paper – *Middle-Class Childhoods in Bucharest* – explores the links between middle-class aspirations of Bucharest families and children’s experience of everyday life.
- September 2016 Participant at the **8th International Conference of InASEA – “Balkan Life Courses: Family Childhood, Youth and Old Age in South-East Europe”**, hosted by the New Bulgarian University, Sofia. My paper – *“Urban Childhoods”* – deals with the everyday children’s experience of time, space and education in Bucharest.
- July 2016 Participant at the **14th EASA International Biennial Conference “Anthropological legacies and human futures”**, hosted by Department of Human Science for Education 'Riccardo Massa' and Department of Sociology and Social Research at University of Milano-Bicocca. My paper – *“Children’s Extracurricular Activities and Constructions of Middle-Class in Bucharest”* – presents the preliminary findings and progress of my research focused on the childhood experience of middle-class children in Bucharest.
- November 2015 Participation at the international conference **“Is the European society a vulnerable one?”**, Bucharest, Romania, organized by SNSPA within the POSDRU/187/1.5/S/155589 program, with a paper detailing my methodological approach and preliminary findings in my PhD thesis research about homeschooling in Bucharest.
- November 2014 Participation at the international conference **“Twenty Five Years Later. History and Memory of Communism”**, Bucharest, Romania, (organized by Memoria Cultural Foundation and Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE) in partnership with CeReFREA and SNSPA) with a paper entitled *“Nurturing Nostalgia: Memory, Food, Communism”*.
- October 2013 Participant at the **International Conference „Cultures of Mobility and Immobility”**, organised by the Romanian Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology, in Sibiu, with the paper „Disabling a Community or Move, Name and Conquer. Case Study on the “Xoraxaj” Community in Oborul Nou, Călărași, Romania”, based on a fieldwork within the SNSPA Master’s programme in Anthropology.

- May 2013 Participation at the international post-graduate conference **“Landscape and Environment in Central and Eastern Europe”**, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, organised by University College of London, Babes Bolyai University and the Romanian Academy, with the paper **“I have 273 reasons to love Romania. Nationalism and Landscape: The Construction of National Imagery in the Digital Age. A Case Study”** (co-authored by Mihai Roşu, CEU, Budapest).
- November, 2012 Participation at the post-graduate conference **“Politică și societate în epoca Ceaușescu (Politics and Society in the Ceaușescu era)”** organised by the Romanian Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE), with the paper **“Humour and Politics in Communist Romania: Life between Fear and Laughter”**
- May, 2011 Participation at the Student Conference **“Reckoning with the Past in Post-Dictatorial Societies”** organised by the Department of Political Science of the Bucharest University (FSPUB), Romania, with the paper **“The Mechanisms of Nostalgia for the Communist Past in Present-Day Romania”** (co-authored by Mihai Roşu).

Research projects & fieldwork experience

- October 2015 – 2017 Researcher in a project focusing on the material culture of the middle-class in Bucharest. The project – **“Proiecte materiale ale distincției de clasă: o analiză a clasei de mijloc în România post-socialistă din perspectiva culturii materiale.”** is led by PhD Magdalena Crăciun and is funded by UEFISCDI. My part of the project addresses the childhood experience of middle-class children in Bucharest with focus on the material aspect. <https://clasamijloc.wordpress.com/>
- April-August 2015 Research Assistant in a project focusing on the diversity of Bucharest’s population - **“The new minorities in Bucharest county”**, carried out by the Association Movement for European Action and Initiative in partnership with Telemark Research Institute from Norway. <http://www.newminorities.com/en/>
- July-August 2013 Participation at the **8th Konitsa Summer School on Anthropology, Ethnography and Comparative Folklore of the Balkans, in Greece**, organised by the Border Crossings Network. Besides diverse courses offered, it also implied a 4 day international fieldwork, either in Greece or in Albania.
- July 2013 Participation at an **anthropological research fieldwork in Oborul Nou, Călărași**, Romania, organised and supervised by the teaching staff at the National School of Political Studies and Administration, Department of Anthropology, Bucharest, Romania.
- July, 2011 Participation at the **anthropological research project “(Hi)stories and Reconciling Memories. The German and Romanian Communities of Călnic”**, organised in collaboration by the Romanian Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE), Universite Libre de Brussels (ULB) and the Department of Political Science of the Bucharest University (FSPUB).

Scholarships

- 2014-2017 Recipient of a Phd Scholarship offered by SNSPA, București
- August-December 2015 Recipient of a scholarship through the program **“Competitivitate și excelență în cercetarea doctorală în domeniul științelor politice, științelor administrative, sociologie și științele comunicării”**, POSDRU/187/1.5/S/155589.
- 2010-2011 Recipient of a scholarship offered by Konrad Adenauer Stiftung in Romania
- March-August 2011 **Erasmus LLP Scholarship** to Universita degli Studi di Padova, Italy

Additional training and experience

July, 2012	Participation at the summer school on “ <i>The Rise, Decline and Demise/Revival of Europe</i> ”, Vama Veche, Romania, organised by the Luxembourg Institute for European and International Studies and the Black Sea University Foundation, Romania.
August, 2011	Participation at the Râmnicu Sărat Summer University – “ <i>Comunismul între memorie și istorie</i> ” (Communism between Memory and History), organised by the Romanian Institute for the Investigation of Communist Crimes and Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE).
November, 2011	Participation at the international exchange project “ <i>We, the Young Volunteers</i> ” in Ankara, Turkey, organised by the Political Science Students’ Association in Bucharest (ASSP-UB).
October, 2011	Co-founder and coordinator of the literary circle “ <i>Vuiet</i> ”, a project promoting literature and culture in general, with the support of the Bucharest University Student Society (SSUB). (cenaclulvuiet.wordpress.com)
March, 2011	Participation at the <i>Assises of Decentralised Cooperation</i> , Committee of Regions, Brussels, Belgium.
May, 2009	<i>Philosophy Olympics</i> - participation at national phase.
December, 2008	Honorary Diploma - Future Citizen of Honour of Pitesti.
June, 2008	<i>Sports Competition</i> - third place on municipal phase.
May, 2008	<i>History Olympics</i> - mention on national phase.
April, 2008	<i>Latin Olympics</i> - second place on district phase.
February, 2006	<i>History Olympics</i> - mention on district phase.
Personal interests	I’m keen on anthropological and sociological research, I love philosophy, architecture and archaeology, even combined if possible. I am also fond of leisure sports and literature both as a reader and author.