

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal Information

Full name: Daniel Caraivan

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Professional Profile

Sociologist, human rights activist, and expert in social inclusion, with experience in sociological research, public policies for Roma communities, anti-discrimination monitoring, and the implementation of social and educational projects. His professional activity focuses on interethnic relations, minority rights, social inclusion, and the study of Roma communities in Romania.

PhD candidate in Sociology at the Multidisciplinary Doctoral School of the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA), conducting research on Romanian-Roma mixed marriages, ethnic identity, and mechanisms of social negotiation within rural communities.

Education and Academic Training

**National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA),
Bucharest**

PhD Candidate in Sociology

2020 - present

PhD thesis title:

“Mixed Marriages and the Dynamics of Identity among Roma Populations”

Scientific coordinator: Prof. Remus Gabriel Anghel, PhD

**National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA),
Bucharest**

Master’s Degree in Romani Studies

2017 - 2019

Faculty of Administrative and Legal Sciences, Braşov

Bachelor’s Degree in Administrative Sciences

2010 - 2013

High School for the Visually Impaired, Buzău

High School Diploma

1997 - 2001

Professional Experience

Project Manager - DANROM Association Făurei

2025

Coordinator of the project “Equal Access to Justice and Social Services for Roma in Făurei”, funded through the Subgrants for Local Partners Programme.

Responsibilities:

coordinating project implementation;
managing administrative and financial resources;
supervising the implementation team;
liaising with public institutions and partners;
drafting progress reports.

Target Group Expert - Roma Lawyers Association ROMAJUST

2022 - present

Activity carried out within European projects focused on combating discrimination and supporting vulnerable groups.

Responsibilities:

identification and monitoring of target groups;
counselling and information activities;
anti-discrimination actions;
reporting and monitoring.

Regional Legal Centre Coordinator - Roma Lawyers Association ROMAJUST

2023 - present

identifying discrimination cases;
organizing human rights awareness activities;
coordinating volunteers;
monitoring human rights violations.

Legal Adviser - Roma Cultural Centre “O Del Amenca”

2023 - 2024

Legal counselling activities for vulnerable persons and Ukrainian refugees.

Human Rights Monitor - OSCE

2023

Participation in a project regarding the monitoring of the rights of Ukrainian Roma refugees in Romania.

Field Operator - Research Institute for Quality of Life (ICCV)

2023

Field research and questionnaire administration in Brăila and Botoșani counties.

President and Programme Coordinator - DANROM Association Făurei

2012 - present

Activities:

coordination of social and educational projects;

anti-discrimination campaigns;

educational mentoring;

community development;

promotion of human rights.

Local Roma Expert - Făurei City Hall / National Agency for Roma

2010 - 2011

educational counselling;

community development;

project writing and implementation;

institutional mediation.

Scientific Activity and Publications

Articles and Studies

“Romaphobia - A Theoretical Approach”, *Sfera Politicii* Journal, no. 2/2021.

Co-author of the “Civil Society Monitoring Report on the Implementation of the National Roma Integration Strategy in Romania”, 2017 and 2022 editions.

Books

Mixed Marriages and Their Effects on Roma Ethnic Identity, Ethnous Publishing House, 2019.

On the Edge of the Abyss, Ethnous Publishing House, 2019.

Conferences and Scientific Presentations

International Conference “Professional Communication and Translation Studies”

Politehnica University of Timișoara, 2023

Presented paper:

“Language and Social Cohesion: The Role of the Romani Language in Preserving the Traditions and Cultural Values of Roma Communities in Brăila County”

Roma PhD and Postdoctoral Conference

Babeș-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, 2022

Presented paper:

“Mixed Marriages and Roma Kinship Groups. A Sociological Perspective”

National Scientific Communication Session - SNSPA

2022

Presented paper:

“Romaphobia - A Theoretical Approach”

Academic and Professional Areas of Interest

sociology of interethnic relations;

ethnic identity;

Roma communities;

discrimination and human rights;

social inclusion;

public policies for minorities;

qualitative research;

community development.

Professional and Civic Affiliations

Member of the Roma Sounding Board - World Bank;

Member of the Consultative Council of the National Agency for Roma;

Member of the Aresel Platform;

Local Human Rights Monitor - Romani CRISS.

Awards and Distinctions

Second Prize - Social Inclusion, Brăila Community Excellence Gala, 2019;

Civic Responsibility Award - Roma Political Participation Gala, 2012;

Civic and Community Involvement Award - Roma Political Participation Gala, 2013.

Skills

qualitative sociological research;

project management;

social and community analysis;

policy and report writing;

community facilitation;

institutional communication;

digital and office software skills.