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-Academic background and list of publications-

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Academic background

2010- present: International Masters in Economy, State and Society; School of Slavonic and Eastern European Studies, University College London

2009-present: MA in Advanced Social Research, “Babeş Bolyai” University, Cluj-Napoca

2006-2009: BA degree in Sociology, „Babeş Bolyai” University, Cluj-Napoca

2002-2006: Highschool Diploma with a specialization in socio-humanistic studies, „Elena Ghiba Birta” National College, Arad

Publications

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- Roman, Raluca Bianca, “Neo-Protestant Confessional Education and the Process of Counter-Secularization in Post-Socialist Romania” in *Studia Universitatis Babeş Bolyai Sociologia*, Issue 2, 2009, pp. 159-181
- Roman, Raluca Bianca, “Secularizare-contrasecularizare și valori religioase în România post socialistă” in Cormoș, Grațian (ed.), *Teze și antiteze ale modernității*, editura Argonaut, Cluj-Napoca, 2009, pp. {English translation: „Secularization-counter secularization and religious values in post-socialist Romania”, in Cormoș, Grațian (ed.), *Thesis and antitheses of modernity*}
- Roman, Raluca Bianca, „Everyday forms of national identity: language as ethno-national symbol” in Cormoș, , Grațian (ed.), *Viziuni critice*, vol. 7, 2010

[Forthcoming]: Roman, Raluca Bianca, 2011, book review in *Romani Studies* of **Picturing ‘Gypsies’: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Roma Representation**, Paloma Gay y Blasco and Dina Iordanova (eds), Special Issue of *Third Text-Critical perspectives on contemporary art and culture*, Volume 22, Issue 3, Abingdon: Taylor and Francis Group, May 2008, pp. 297-427, (paperback), ISSN 0952-8822

International Conferences and Workshops

➤ 23-26 November 2009 Bad Kissingen, Germany

- *Cultural imaging as ethnic stereotyping. Germans in Romania and Romanians in Germany. A sociological comparison.*
- Paper presented at the „German-Romanian Relations, political Culture and Society in Romania” International Seminar organized by Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen Nurnberg, Bad Kissingen, Germany

➤ 23-27 November 2009 Bad Kissingen, Germany

- *Major trends of social change in post-socialist Romania. A socio-economic comparison of Romania and Germany.*
- Paper presented at the „German-Romanian Relations, political Culture and Society in Romania” International Seminar

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- *1-3 July 2010: participant in Marie Curie Closing Conference for PhD students, Budapest, Hungary*

- *24 August-9 September: participant in the Erasmus Intensive programme DEMOCHANGE, studying demographic changes in European cities, Trieste, Italy*

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Occupational field	Social Policy, Human Rights, Minority Rights, Migration Studies, Roma Studies
Work experience	
Dates	16 June 2011-16 September 2011
Occupation or position held	Collaborative Research Network 'Romanis in Europe': http://ecmirom.org/
Main activities and responsibilities	Analysis of national policies on minority protection and Roma inclusion; analysis of international legislation on minority protection and human rights in the European Union; statistical data processing on Roma and national minorities in the European Union member states; maintenance of the network's webpage; overview and analysis of the EU Danube Strategy, focusing on the strategy's impact on minorities in the 14 states involved in the latter.
Name and address of employer	European Centre for Minority Issues, Schiffbrücke 12, D - 24939 Flensburg, Germany, info@ecmi.de tel: +49 (0) 4 61 - 1 41 49 - 0, fax: +49 (0) 4 61 - 1 41 49 - 19
Type of business or sector	Research centre for minorities in the EU
Dates	01 October 2009-August 2010
Occupation or position held	project assistant in a grant based project on Social Policies
Main activities and responsibilities	Data gathering for a grant based social research on Romanian family policies and social policies from 1940 to present. Document translations from Romanian to English. Document analyses. Interviews with local and national social workers and policy makers.
Name and address of employer	Cristina Rat, university lecturer, "Babes-Bolyai" University, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work Bd 21 Decembrie, Cluj-Napoca (Romania)
Type of business or sector	Social research, Public Policy, Social Studies
Dates	02 December 2008 - 10 February 2009
Occupation or position held	Data introduction assistant
Main activities and responsibilities	Assistant for a PhD research; introducing company data in databases on three major cities in Romania: Cluj Napoca, Timisoara, Brasov, organizing the databases, procuring information on business companies and multinational corporations, contacting department managers of companies and multinational corporations in order to schedule

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Name and address of employer	Norbert Petrovici, univ. dr. assistant, "Babes-Bolyai" University, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work Bd 21 Decembrie, Cluj-Napoca (Romania), room 218																		
Type of business or sector	Social research																		
Dates	12 July 2007 - 13 September 2007																		
Occupation or position held	account assistant																		
Main activities and responsibilities	organizing the company's databases, invoicing, processing invoices, contacting clients and client companies																		
Name and address of employer	3M UK PLC 3M Centre, Cain Road, RG12 8HT Bracknell, Berkshire (United Kingdom)																		
Type of business or sector	Accounts Payable																		
Education and training	<i>Currently 2st year MA student in Advanced Social Research and 2nd year MRes student in Economy, State and Society at University College London, SSEES. My second year of the Master Programme will be conducted at the University of Helsinki, Faculty of Social Sciences, Finland</i>																		
Dates	2006 - 2009																		
Title of qualification awarded	BA																		
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered	Sociology, Anthropology, Urban Studies, Human Resources, Project Management, Economics, Statistics, Social Work, Social Policy																		
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Level in national or international classification	ISCED 6																		
Dates	2002 - 2006																		
Title of qualification awarded	highschool diploma																		
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	"Elena Ghiba Birta" National College (Highschool) Arad (Romania)																		
Level in national or international classification	ISCED 5																		
Personal skills and competences																			
Mother tongue(s)	Romanian																		
Other language(s)																			
Self-assessment <i>European level (*)</i>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Understanding</th> <th colspan="2">Speaking</th> <th colspan="2">Writing</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Listening</th> <th>Reading</th> <th>Spoken interaction</th> <th>Spoken production</th> <th colspan="2"></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>C2</td> <td>Proficient user</td> <td>C2</td> <td>Proficient user</td> <td>C2</td> <td>Proficient user</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Understanding		Speaking		Writing		Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production			C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
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French	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	B2	Independent user
German	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	A2	Basic User
Spanish	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User
Finnish	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User

(*) [Common European Framework of Reference \(CEF\) level](#)

Social skills and competences	Sociability, openness, good communication skills. Loving, team-spirited. Works well under pressure. I can deal well with constructive criticism and unclear situations. I can speak openly and easily in public.
Organisational skills and competences	Good organizational skills. Perfectionist. Punctual. I finish on time and correctly the tasks at hand.
Technical skills and competences	Good social statistics skills and knowledge. Good with market research programs.
Computer skills and competences	Proficient user of Microsoft Office programs: Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook. Proficient user of statistics programs such as SPSS and STATA. Proficient user of ATLAS.ti. Good user of accounting program PeopleSoft.
Artistic skills and competences	Passion for photography, literature, theatre, and European movies.
Other skills and competences	<p>Volunteer for Roma Support Group, London.</p> <p>Member of Women for Women International UCL Society</p> <p>Member of UCL Volunteering Society</p> <p>Member of student body organization, CLUSTER, the Association of Sociology students in Romania.</p> <p>Member of study body organization, AMICUS.</p> <p>Member of SEIREITEI organization, supporting Anime culture and Japanese culture.</p> <p>Secretary of CLUSTER association between 2006 and 2009.</p> <p>Organizer for the scientific communication congress in 2008 at the Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, "Babes Bolyai" University, Cluj Napoca.</p> <p>Organizer for Open Doors Day at the Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, "Babes Bolyai" University, Cluj Napoca.</p> <p>Field operator and interviewer in a social research based on field research on the subject of multiculturalism and inter ethnic relations in August 2008.</p> <p>Field operator and interviewer in a field ethnographic research on the subject of folkloric characteristics of Sarmasul Mare villagers in Romania in July 2007.</p> <p>Field questionnaire operator in a market research on the subject of political opinions and affiliations in June 2007.</p> <p>Project assistant in a grant based market research on three major cities in Romania (Cluj Napoca, Timisoara, Brasov) concerning the business and corporate world.</p> <p>Participant in the International Seminar entitled "German-Romanian relations, political culture and society in Romania", organized by Friedrich-Alexander-Universitat of Erlangen Nurnberg, from November 23rd to 27th, 2008, in Bad Kissingen, Germany. The</p>

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contents of the seminar included: presentations on sociological, economical and political topics from a German-Romanian comparative perspective, interactive and intercultural team training, open discussions on intercultural topics.

Presentation of a joint research project on the patterns of social and economic change in post-socialist Romania (Badkissingen, Germany, 2008), entitled "Major trends of social change in post-socialist Romania. A socio-economic comparison of Romania and Germany".

Presentation of a joint research project on Romanian and German Stereotyping (Badkissingen, Germany, 2009). Paper presented at the „German-Romanian Relations, political Culture and Society in Romania” International Seminar organized by Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen Nurnberg, Bad Kissingen, Germany

Attended and presented final papers at an Erasmus Intensive Summer Program in Trieste, Italy (25th August-9th September, 2010), themed DEMOCHANGE: Changing European Cities, dealing with demographic changes in a northern region of Italy and a comparative perspective on aging population in Europe.

TOEFL Certificate in English Proficiency with a score of 650 from a maximum of 670.

Sociology Diploma with a grade of 10.

Sociology Major with an average grade of 9.96 on the three years of study.

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