

# Europass Brief Curriculum Vitae



## **Personal information**

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Nationality Romanian

Date and place of birth | 19.07.1975, Timişoara, Romania

Work experience

Dates 2008 - present

Occupation or position held Associate professor; Administrative position (Head of Department of Psychology, since 2008)

Main activities and responsibilities | Management of academic programs provided by Department of Psychology; research and teaching

activities, mainly at graduated (master) level

Name and address of the employer | West University of Timişoara, 4 Vasile Pârvan Blv., room 504, 300223, Timişoara, România

Type of activity | Academic / Research

Dates 2006 - present

Occupation or position held | Manager / Owner / Licensed practitioner psychologist in I/O Psychology

Main activities and responsibilities | Developing psychological tests, providing organizational consultancy, running surveys

Name and address of the employer SC Psiho Proiect SRL

Type of activity Business / Research

Dates 2006 - 2007

Occupation or position held Post doctoral researcher (Alumni Summa Cum Laude, 2009)

Main activities and responsibilities | Expertise in designing, implementing, and analyzing data from randomized clinical trials (cost-

effectiveness analysis, in particular)

Name and address of the employer | Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, International Institute on Advanced Studies in Psychotherapy

and Mental Health / Department of Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy (under supervision of Prof.

Daniel David), 34 Republicii St., Cluj-Napoca

Type of activity | Academic / Research

Dates 1999 - 2006

Occupation or position held | Junior Teaching Assistant (1999-2001), Teaching Assistant (2001-2004), Lecturer / Assistant

Professor (2004-2006)

Main activities and responsibilities | Teaching activities (mainly instructing courses and seminars on data analysis topics)

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Name and address of the employer

Type of activity

West University of Timişoara, 4 Vasile Pârvan Blv., room 504, 300223, Timişoara, România Academic / Teaching

Dates

1998 - 1999

Occupation or position held

Junior Teaching Assistant

Main activities and responsibilities

Teaching activities (seminars on school psychology)

Name and address of the employer

"Vasile Goldis," West University of Arad, Department of Teacher Education, 1 Cocorilor St., Arad

Type of activity | Academic / Research

**Education and training** 

Dates 2004-2006

Title of qualification awarded

MA in Public Policies and Advocacy

Main courses / gain competencies

Dissertation title: A policy analysis on financing system of Higher Education in Romania

Name of the organization

West University of Timisoara, Departament of Political Sciences

Dates | 2001 - 2005

Title of qualification awarded

PhD in Psychology

Main courses / gain competencies

Thesis title: The role of behavioral self-regulation in teacher-pupil relationship

Name of the organization

Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Departament of Psychology

Dates | 1998 - 1999

Title of qualification awarded

Master in Psychopedagogy of Inclusive Education

Main courses / gain competencies

Dissertation title: Strategies for school inclusion for children with ADHD

Name of the organization | West University of Timişoara, Department of Psychology

(Erasmus student during the spring semester at Jonkoping University, Sweden)

Dates

1994 – 1998

Title of qualification awarded

Bachelor degree in Psychology (top of the class)

Main courses / gain competencies

Graduation paper: A new instrument for assessing teacher's misbehaviors

Name of the organization

West University of Timişoara, Department of Psychology

Overseas experience

2011 (1 month), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, SUA, Department of Psychology (under supervision of Associate Professor B. Keith Payne, payne@unc.edu)

2007 (1 month), University of Coruna, Spain, Department of Psychology (under supervision of Professor Ricardo Garcia Mira, ricardo.garcia.mira@udc.es)

2007 (2 months), American University, Washington DC, USA, Department of Psychology (under supervision of Professor Brian T. Yates, brian.yates@me.com)

2002 (1 month), Paris V University, Social Psychology Lab, PhD documentation stage

2002 (1 month), Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, a policy analysis course

2000 (2 months), Ann Arbor University of Michigan, USA, training in intermediate and advanced data analysis techniques

analysis tech

# Personal skills and competences

Mother language | Romanian

Other languages

Self-assessment

European level (\*)

English French

Understanding				Speaking				Reading		
	Listening		Reading		Listening		Reading		Listening	
C2	Experienced user	C2	Experienced user	C1	Experienced user	C2	Experienced user	C2	Experienced user	
B1	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B1	Independent use	В1	Independent use	В1	Independent use	

(\*) Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

## Managerial and administrative skills

### Principal investigator experience

I have been the PI in 10 research and development grants. The most recent three big grants are: 2012, PN-II-RU-TE-0230, Changing implicit cognitions: An evidence based approach. Financing: CNCS-UEFISCDI, Young Research Team Competition, Budget: 687.000 lei, Duration: 3 years http://uefiscdi.gov.ro/userfiles/file/competitie%202011%20TE/TE\_Rezultate%20finale%20\_Stiinte%20Sociale.pdf 2010, POSDRU 18/1.2/G/28335, Alumni competencies and employers' needs. A research action approach to integrate alumni on the work market. Financing: OI-POSDRU, Budget: 1.765.000 lei, Duration: 2 years; http://www.psihologietm.ro/download/cercetare/grant\_POSDRU\_2010.pdf 2009, IDEI-1076, Implicit measures of personality. Financing: CNCSIS, IDEI Competition, Budget: 500.000 lei, Duration: 3 years; http://www.psihologietm.ro/download/cercetare/IDEI\_1067\_EN/

### Other managerial, administrative and educational policies positions

2008 – present, Head of Psychology Department (West University of Timisoara), www.psihologietm.ro 2012 – present, Coordinator of Social Cognition and Personality Assessment Lab: http://socpers.psihologietm.ro

2007 – present, President (2007-2010) and Vice-President (2010-present) of Euroregional Centre for Applied Psychology

2008 – present, Director of two academic programs: Psychology (undergraduate program), I/O and Traffic Psychology (master – graduate program)

2009 – present, member of CNCS (National Research Council), Commission for Social Sciences 2008 – present, member (2008-2011) and permanent guest (2011 – present) in the Faculty Council 2011-2012, member of CNATDCU, Panel 4, Commission for Psychology and Behavioral Sciences 2005-2009, member of Directory Board, secretary of Methodological Commission, Romanian Psychologists College

## SIGNIFICANT RESULTS

- Ranking the academic programs within the Psychology domain as A-type programs, in the official Ministry of Education ranking system (since 2011).
- Increasing up to 3.5 times the number of publications in ISI indexed journals apart from departmental members
- Receiving a Certificate of Excellence for extra-budgetary fund raising (mainly through research grants) from the West University of Timisoara Board of Administration (2010)
- Keeping relatively constant the number of students enrolled in Psychology programs despite the descending demographic trends
- Introducing the first graduate program at master level that is taught in English (Organizational and Occupational Health Psychology)
- Maintaining a budgetary surplus for the Psychology Department, despite the financial crisis
- One of the authors of the Assessment Scale that is used by the Methodological Commission of the Romanian Psychologists College to appraise the quality of a psychological test.

## Teaching and mentoring skills

2011 – present, Mentor in two research programs (CNCS PD grants) for two postdoctoral fellows: Coralia Sulea and Oana Alexandra David (Gavița)

2009 – present, Coordinator of a team of students from West University of Timisoara and A.I. Cuza University of Iaşi, who aim to develop a new scale of general intelligence (EVIQ, forms S and E) 2008 – 2010, visiting lecturer at Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Department of Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy (classes at master level)

2006 – 2008, Coordinator of a group of students for the development of DECAS Personality Inventory 2005 – present, guest lecturer on topics related to Research Methods in Psychology and Data Analysis Techniques, both abroad (University of Porto, Portugal; Nijmegen University, The Netherlands; Stavanger University, Norway), and in Romania (UBB, UAIC, ULBS, UTB etc.).

#### SIGNIFICANT RESULTS

- The second prize, University Professor of the Year, Education Award Gala, A national prize provided by Dinu Patriciu Foundation http://www.premiileineducatie.ro/castigatori/castigator/22/
- The inclusion of one of the books (Data Analysis in Psychological Research) among the compulsory references for student admission in several masters and two doctoral programs (Cluj-Napoca and Iași)
- Above average teaching performance based on students' appraisal
- A national premiere: the first Romanian personality instrument recognized by the Romanian Psychologists College the DECAS Personality Profile, was developed together with students

## Research skills A. Scientometric indices

Hirsch index: 4 (in Web of Science) and 5 (in Scopus). 8 articles indexed in ISI Web of Science (in 6 of them serving as the first author), totalizing 39 citations (excluding self-citations) in the Web of Science

## B. Editorial and grant services

2011 – present, Reviewer of grant proposals for CNCS (2011 –for Exploratory Workshops, 2012 - for Exploratory Workshops, Advanced Studies Schools, and for the Human Resources competition, TE and PD).

2011, Reviewer in the National Exercise of Research Assessment (SISEC), member of Psychology Panel, a national project aiming at ranking universities based on their research performance on various domains.

2009 - prezent, Editor in Chief for the Romanian Journal of Applied Psychology

2007 – prezent, Ad-hoc reviewer for ISI Web of Science journals: European Journal of Personality, Social Cognition, Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, Journal of Personality, Journal of Cognitive Behavioral Psychotherapies, Journal of Psychopathology and Behavioral Assessment

## C. Development of psychological instruments and methods

2012, Introducing SMP (the Semantic Misattribution Procedure) as an internationally innovative implicit procedure to measure personality self-concept

2011 – present, Developing EVIQ Intelligence scales (forms S and E, coordinator, an ongoing project) 2010 – PON task for measuring perceptual speed and Flanker AC and AD tasks for measuring focused attention and divided attention, respectively (coordinator)

2010 – Adapting the Romanian version of Singer-Loomis Personality Type Inventory (member)

2006 – 2008, Development of DECAS Personality Profile (coordinator)

2007, Adapting the Romanian version of SCID Clinical Interview (member)

2007, Co-author of PowerStaTim 1.0, a statistical software for power analysis and computing effect sizes

### SIGNIFICANT RESULTS

- 2011, Ranked third in AdAstra Ranking of international individual contributions in the field of Psychology (2002-2011), (http://www.ad-astra.ro/cartea-alba/authors.php?domain\_id=150)
- 2008, 2010 Keynote speaker at the National Conference on I/O Psychology
- 2009, The best young researcher (up to 35) from West University of Timisoara, Romania
- Since 2009, Appointed as a member of the Commission for Social and Economic Sciences, CNCSIS, as representative for Psychology and Psychotherapy field.

## Computer skills

Pachetul Microsoft Office, SPSS, AMOS, Stata, DirectRT, MediaLab

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