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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

- **Name:** *Associate Professor Sandu Frunză, Ph.D*
- **Date of birth:** 17 April 1966
- **Marital Status:** married with Mihaela Frunza, two children (Mihai-Ioan and Teodora-Maria)
- **Current Position:** Associate Professor, the Department of Political Science
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### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

**12 December 2000** I have obtained the Ph.D. degree. Thesis topic: *Religious Experience in Dumitru Staniloae's Thought* (scientific coordinator prof. dr. Aurel Codoban). The thesis was published in 2001 at Dacia Publishing House under the title *Religious Experience in Dumitru Staniloae's Thought. A relational Ethics*

**1996-2000** Ph.D. Studies in Philosophy of History, Values and Culture at Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania.

**1988-1993** BA studies at Babes-Bolyai University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, specialization in Philosophy and History.

- BA in Philosophy and History (June 1993)

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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE.**

- **Since February 2009– Associate Professor** at the Department of Political Science, on disciplines: *Deontology of Political Communication, Religion and Ideology, Post-Holocaust Philosophy, Religion, Communication, Biopolitics in Contemporary Philosophy*
- **Since February 2009 – Associate Professor** at the Department of Political Science and Department of Communication and PR, on disciplines: *Ethics and Legislation in PR, Mythical Structures of Advertising Language, Religion and Ideology, Political Ethics, Cultural Anthropology*
- **February 2004 - February 2009 – Associate Professor** at the Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babes-Bolyai University, on disciplines: *Philosophy of Religions, Jewish Philosophy, Religious Anthropology, Religion, Ideology and Interreligious Dialogue*
- **1999-2003 – Lecturer** at the Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babes-Bolyai University, on disciplines: *Philosophy of Religions, History and Philosophy of Religions, Religious Anthropology, Philosophy of Values, Metamorphosis of Religious Imaginary, Religion, Ideology and Interreligious Dialogue*
- **1996-1999 – Assistant Professor** at the Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babes-Bolyai University, on disciplines: *Philosophy of Religions, Ritual and Performance, Hermeneutics.*
- **1994-1996 – Teaching Assistant** at the Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babes-Bolyai University, on disciplines *Philosophy of Religions, Hermeneutics of Love, Hermeneutics.*

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## RESEARCH PROJECTS AND GRANTS

- **2011-2012** - Director of grant *Promoting a new understanding of the relation between culture, religion and ideology in the current construction of the American society*, US Department of State. 8600 USD
- **2007- 2010** - Director of the Project *Relationships between philosophy, religion and ideology*, contract CNCSIS ID\_511, 100 000 RON
- **September 2007- February 2008** – I received a Fulbright scholarship as visiting scholar at Elie Wiesel Institute for Judaic Studies, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA 20 750 USD
- **2006-2007** - Director of the project *The Role of Philosophy in Changing the Mentalities and the Democratization of the Public Sphere*, Democracy Outreach/Alumni Grants Program, Department of State, Public Affairs Section 3000 USD
- **October 2005 – April 2006** Coordinator of the project *Multicultural Education in CEE Region, NIS and Central Asia*, supported by the Open Society Foundation, Bucharest, East-East Program 5000 USD
- **2005-2008** - Program director of the HESP ReSET Program *Religious pluralism and fundamentalism. Interdisciplinary approaches of religious studies* granted by Open Society Institute, Higher Education Support Program, Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching. 210.000 EUR
- **October 2005 – February 2006** Cluj Coordinator of the collaborative project *Leaders of Tomorrow, Voters of Tomorrow: Together for a Better Politics*, in partnership with Areopagus Foundation, Timisoara and Axis Foundation, Iasi, grant supported by the American Embassy in Romania, Small Democracy Program, Department of State, Public Affairs Section 6500 USD
- **December 2003 – June 2004** – grant Matra-Kap, coordinator of the project *Steps towards Integration: Religion and Human Rights in Romania* 3000 USD

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- **October 2004 – February 2005** grant Open Society Foundation, Bucharest – East-East Program, coordinator of the project *The Challenges of Multiculturalism in Central and Eastern Europe* 5000 USD
- **2002** – grantee for the Journal for the Study of Religions and Ideologies, in the program Grant for Open Access Journals, financed by the Open Society Institute, New York, 3000 USD

**Member in project teams:**

- **December 2011 – May 2012** Expert on short term in POSDRU Project, Department of Public Administration, BBU
- **2011** - member in the project *Religion and Democracy in Europe*, research grant CNCS – UEFISCDI, project number PN-II-ID-PCE-2011-3-0481, coordinator prof. dr. Vasile Boari; 1,436,125 RON
- **2009 – 2011** member in the project *Ethical Expertise and Social Action. An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Applied Ethics*, CNCSIS ID 2265, project coordinator lect. Dr. Mihaela Frunză; 375364,63 RON
- **2008- 2009** – Member in the international project *Studying and Preventing the Radicalization of Islam: What School Communities Can Do?* Project coordinator prof. Beatriz Molina Rueda, Granada University, Spain.
- **2002-2005** – grantee of the collective grant CNCSIS, *Identitati plurale si resemnificarea autonomiei*, within the Department of Philosophy, BBU, (project coordinator conf. Dr. Ion Copoeru)
- **1995-1996** – I participated in the research contract of CNCSU within the group project *Treatise of Declination* (project coordinator prof. Dr. Tudor Catineanu).

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## RESEARCH AND SPECIALIZATION STAGES

- **07.05-12.05.2011**- Research stage at *Universitatea Al.I. Cuza, Iași*
- **19.07-30.07.2011** - Research stage at *Center for Ethics and Law in Biomedicine*, Central European University, Budapest, Ungaria
- **22.05-28.05.2011** - Research stage at *Westfälische Universität Munster*, Germany
- **17.10-24.10.2011** - Research stage at *Hebrew University*, Jerusalem, Israel
- **28.11-06.12.2011** – Research stage at *University of Viena*, Austria
- **18-20 March 2010** - Research stage at Universitatea „Aurel Vlaicu”, Arad,
- **6-9 July 2009** - Research stage and participation at conference „Spre o etică a violenței globale?” la University of Oradea
- **5-13 February 2009** - Research stage at Curriculum Resource Center, CEU Budapest
- **15-19 September 2008** - Research stage and participation at conference Universitatea „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Sofia, Bulgaria
- **June 2008** - Research stage at CEU and CDC, Hungary, Budapest
- **2005** – Follow-up grant Course Development Competition (CDC) offered by Curriculum Resource Center and the Higher Education Support Program, Budapest.
- **21 June - 3 August 2004** – Fulbright American Studies Institute on “Religion in the United States: Pluralism and Public Presence”, Department of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara – United States Department of States, Washington, DC. Academic director, UCSB-Fulbright American Studies Institute prof. Wade Clark Roof.
- **30 June – 11 July 2003** – Fellowship at the CEU Summer University, Budapest, Hungary. I participated at the course Religion, Globalization, and the State, course director Pal Nyiri.

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- **2001-2002** – Grant Course Development Competition (CDC) pentru cursul *Metamorphoses of the Religious Imaginary. The Symbolical Structure of Interreligious Dialogue and Conflicts in Judaism, Christianity and Islam*. Oferit de Curriculum Resource Center și Higher Education Support Program, Budapest.
- **15-24 February 2002** - research stage at the Central European University Library, Curriculum Resource Center (CRC), Budapest, Hungary as CDC grantee.
- **6-12 January 2002** - research stage at the Central European University Library, CRC, Budapest, Hungary as CDC grantee.
- **July 2001** - I participated at the Course Development Workshop at the Curriculum Resource Center, Budapest, Hungary
- **10 – 28 July 2000** – Fellowship at the Summer University, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. I participated at the course *Ritual and Commandment in Jewish Thought and Philosophy in the Modern Period*, directed by Prof. Michael Silber
- **October 1999 – January 2000** – research stage at Rothberg International School, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

**ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- **9 febr. 2011 – 7 sept. 2012** - CNATDCU member, Comisia de Sociologie, Științe Politice și Administrație
- Since **2006** Expert CNCSIS – evaluator of research projects
- **February 2004 – November 2007** Head of Systematic Philosophy Department
- September **2005** – September 2006 Head of the Department of Philosophy
- March - April **2003**, Program Coordinator *Alteritate și dialog interreligios*.
- February - April **2003**, Program Coordinator *Internship. Religious Minorities in Romania*
- Since **2002** – Editor, *Journal for the Study of Religions and Ideologies* (www.jsri.ro)

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- Since **2001** – coordinator of the *Seminar for the Interdisciplinary Research of Religions and Ideologies*

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Member of the platform *Ethical, Legal and Pshychological Aspects of Organ Transplantation*, Netherlands
- President of SACRI - *Societatea Academică de Cercetare a Religiilor și Ideologiilor*
- *Centrul de cercetări sociale*
- *Centrul de cercetări filosofice aplicate*
- *Societatea Română de filosofie*
- *Institutul de studii iudaice “Moshe Carmilly”*

### **Prizes:**

- April **2010** - Professor Bologna, ANOSR
- **2007, 2008, 2009, 2010** – Awarding of research (CNCSIS) for articles ISI published
- **2005** - The Prize of **Romanian Academy**
- **March 2004** - **University Babeș-Bolyai Prize** for the book *Fundamentalismul religios și noul conflict al ideologiilor* [Religious Fundamentalism and the New Conflict of Ideologies], Limes, Cluj, 2003.
- **December 2002** – **JSRI Prize** for Religious Studies