

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex F | Date of birth 25/01/1977 | Nationality Romanian

WORK EXPERIENCE

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2009 – present: lecturer

Sociology Department, Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Teaching courses on *Social Stratification and Social Mobility (BA)*, *Social Policies (BA)*, and *Social inequalities and the critical analysis of public policies (MA)*.

2015 – 2023: chair of the Sociology Department

Managerial responsibilities for three BA programs and three MA programs in Sociology.

2005 – 2008: teaching assistant

Sociology Department, Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Teaching seminars and tutorials on *Social Stratification and Social Mobility*, *Social Policies*, *Social Research Methods*, *Advanced Statistics for Social Sciences*.

1998 – 2001: research assistant

Research Centre on Interethnic Relations (CCRIT), Cluj-Napoca

Research assistant in various research projects on interethnic relations in Romania, with focus on the Hungarian and Roma minorities

Business or sector Academic

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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PhD in Sociology, 2002- 2008

Awarded by the Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca

Thesis title: *The social segregation of the poor in Romania during the transition period* (written in English, 2008)

Supervisor: professor Traian Rotariu

Chevening Visiting Scholarship at the Social Policy and Social Work Department, University of Oxford, September 2003 – May 2004

Non-degree doctoral support program. Supervisor: professor George Smith

MA in Culture and Society, 2001 - 2002

Awarded with *Distinction* by the Central European University and the University of Lancaster

Thesis title: *Distancing Closeness. Encounters between social workers and beneficiaries from the so-called "underclass" (2002)*

Supervisor: professor Slawomir Kapralski

BA in Sociology, 1996 – 2000

The Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca



Short-term training courses and fellowships:

15 September – 15 November 2010. Postdoctoral research fellowship awarded by the Aleksanteri Institute Helsinki.

18-26 August 2009. Intensive summer course on „Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences 2 – Introduction to event history analysis with special focus on cross-national comparisons” organized by the European Science Foundation, INSEE – Paris.

October 2007 – IRISS Research grant at CEPS/INSTEAD Luxembourg. Project title: Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the Context of the Enlarged European Union (research group led by prof. Livia Popescu)

August 2006 – summer school “Capability, Poverty and Wellbeing Measurement” organized before the international conference of the *Human Development and Capabilities Association*, Groningen, the Netherlands. Directors: Sabina Alkire and Enrica Chiappero Martinetti

July 2005 – CEU SUN Training Course on Civil Society Organizations and Policy Entrepreneurship. Directors: Diane Stone and John Young

July – August 2001. Summer University of the Central European University, Budapest, Hungary: *Poverty, Ethnicity and Spatial Changes*

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Hungarian and Romanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C2

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Computer skills Microsoft Office, SPSS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Publications (selection)

Dragoman, D. and Raț, C. (2024). Do Perceptions About the Causes of Poverty and Wealth Shape Attitudes Towards Progressive Taxation? An Exploratory Analysis for 2021 Romania. *Studia UBB Sociologia*, Vol.69(1): 39-83.

Inglot, T., Szikra, D., Raț, C. (2022). *Mothers, Families or Children? Family Policy in Poland, Hungary and Romania, 1945-2020*. University of Pittsburgh Press, 470 pages, ISBN: 978082294035.

Fina, S., Heider, B. and Raț, C. (2021). *Unequal Romania. Regional Socio-Economic Disparities in Romania*. Bucharest: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Romania.

Raț, Cristina (2020). Social Justice and ‘Strategies of Inclusion’ for the Roma in Romania. In Saarinen, A., Markkanen A. and Enache, A. (eds.) *Mobilising for Mobile Roma. Solidarity Activism in Helsinki in the 2000s-2010s*. Helsinki: Trialogue Books, pp. 264-286.

Adăscăliței, D., Raț, C. and Spătari, M. (2020). *Improving social protection in Romania*. Bucharest: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Romania.



- Raț, Cristina, Popescu, L. and Ivan, V. (2019). The Romanian Welfare System. From the Shadow of Equality to the Dazzle of Dualisation. In S.Blum, J.Kuhlmann, K.Schubert (eds.) *Handbook of European Welfare Systems*. London: Routledge, pp. 445-465.
- Raț, Cristina and Szikra, D. (2019). Family policies and social inequalities in Central and Eastern Europe: a comparative analysis of Hungary, Poland and Romania between 2005 and 2015. In Guðný Björk Eydal and Tine Rostgaard (eds.) *Handbook of Family Policy*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, pp. 223-236.
- Raț, Cristina (2018). Social Citizenship at the Margins. In Vincze, E., Petrovici, N., Raț, C., Picker, G. (eds.) *Racialized Labour in Romania. Spaces of Marginality at the Periphery of Global Capitalism*, ISBN volum: 978-3-319-76272-2, Ed. Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 97-123.
- Petrovici N., Raț Cristina, Simionca A., Vincze E. (2018): Introduction: Racialized Labour of the Dispossessed as an Endemic Feature of Capitalism. In Enikő Vincze, Norbert Petrovici, Cristina Raț, Giovanni Picker (eds.) *Racialized Labour in Romania Spaces of Marginality at the Periphery of Global Capitalism*, ISBN volum: 978-3-319-76272-2, Editura: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 1-38.
- Raț, Cristina (2018). *Gaps in the access to social protection for casual workers in Romania*. Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union. ISBN: 978-92-79-79835-1.
- Popescu, L., Ivan, I. and Raț, Cristina (2016). The Romanian Welfare State at Times of Crisis. In Schubert, K., Villota, P. and Kuhlmann, J. (eds.) *Challenges to European Welfare Systems*. Springer International, pp. 615-645.
- Raț, Cristina, Tobias, A. and Veres, V. (2015). Mapping deprivation in rural areas from Transylvania. Reflections on a methodological exercise. *Studia Universitatis Babeș-Bolyai Sociologia*, 6(2): 85-112.
- Together with Căe Sorin, Neagu Gabriela, Ivasiuc Ana (2014). *Politiici de incluziune a romilor in statele membre ale Uniunii Europene*, București: Institutul European, pp.1-133.
- Raț, Cristina (2013). Bare peripheries. State retrenchment and population profiling in segregated Roma settlements from Romania. *Studia Universitatis Babeș-Bolyai-Sociologia*, 58 (2): 155-174.
- Vincze, E. and Raț, Cristina (2013): Spatialization and racialization of social exclusion. The Social and Cultural Formation of 'Gypsy Ghettos' in Romania in a European Context. *Studia Universitatis Babeș-Bolyai-Sociologia*, 58 (2): 5-21.
- Inglot, T., Szikra, D. and Raț, Cristina (2012): Reforming Post-Communist Welfare States. Family Policies in Poland, Hungary and Romania since 2000. *Problems of Post-Communism*, 59(6): 27-49.
- Raț, Cristina (2009). The Impact of Minimum Income Guarantee Schemes in Central and Eastern Europe" (2009) in Cerami, A., Vanhuysee, P. *Post-Communist Welfare Pathways: Theorizing Social Policy Transformations in CEE*, Basinstoke, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 164-181.
(Full list in Annex 1)

Research projects

2020. Researcher (sociologist) – service contracts for the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Romania on contribution to the elaboration of two reports: *Improving social protection in Romania (2020)* and *Unequal Romania. Regional Socio-Economic Disparities in Romania (2021)*.

2020. Researcher (sociologist) – volunteer contract with the Babeș-Bolyai University (UBB) on collaboration within the project PN3007, Contract No. 2/18.12.2019 *Intervenții integrate replicabile pentru locuire incluzivă și combaterea marginalizării în Zona Metropolitană Cluj* lead by the Asociația de Dezvoltare Intercomunitară Zona Metropolitană Cluj in collaboration with DASM Cluj-Napoca, UBB and the Bergen Municipality.

2017-2018 Researcher – service contract no.VC/2017/0567 for the European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, ref. *Case study – gaps in access to social protection for casual workers in Romania*. <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/2c897cc0-4445-11e8-a9f4-01aa75ed71a1>

2015-2016. Researcher (sociologist) within the project *United Networks. Integrated initiative for the social inclusion of disadvantaged communities*. Project SEE 05/H/SEE/30.04.2015, financed by SEE-CORAI and carried out by Asociația Caritas Asistență Socială, in partnership with the Babeș-Bolyai University and the County Agencies for Social Assistance and Child Protection from Mureș, Harghita and Covasna counties. <http://www.caritas-ab.ro/ro/UnitedNetworks>



2014-2015. Researcher (sociologist) and country expert for Romania within the project "Pilot Project – Developing a Common Methodology for Reference Budgets in the EU" led by Applica SPRL Brussels, contract No.2248/2014 with the Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca. www.referencebudgets.eu

2012 – 2014. Researcher (sociologist) within the project *The Spatialization and Racialization of Social Exclusion (SPAREX)*, director: prof. Dr. Eniko Vincze, financed by the Romanian Ministry of Education, Grant IDEI, www.sparex-ro.eu

September – October 2012: Research coordinator within the United Nations Development Programme's project: *Preparatory phase of a model project. Making the most of EU Fund for Sustainable Housing and Inclusion of disadvantaged Roma (explicitly but not exclusively targeted) in Cluj Metropolitan Area*, implemented in partnership with the Cluj-Napoca Municipality, the North-West Development Region, the Working Group of Civil Society Organizations (GLOC) and the Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, with the financial support of the Open Society Institute, Making Most of EU Funds for the Roma. http://www.undp.ro/projects.php?project_id=68

September 2009 – September 2011. Researcher in the NCEEER Grant *Continuity and Change in Family Policies of the New European Democracies: A Comparison of Poland, Hungary, and Romania* led by prof. Tomasz Inglot, Minnesota State University and having as co-researcher Dorottya Szikra, ELTE Budapest.

October 2011 – September 2011. Researcher within the PN-II Project No. 92131/2008: *Class Structure and Social Stratification in Contemporary Romania*, led by prof. Lazar Vlasceanu, University of Bucharest, in partnership with the Babes-Bolyai University, the University of Oradea and CURS Bucharest.

November 2009: consultant for the design of the questionnaire for the panel-study of public policies in Romania undertaken by the *Agentia Nationala pentru Strategii Guvernamentale – ANSG* starting with December 2009. Contractor: United Nations Development Program, Bucharest Office.

January 2007 – October 2008 – Researcher within the project *Disparities in the Use of Healthcare Services in the North-West Development Region of Romania. Socio-Economic Patterns and causes* (director: prof. Livia Popescu) financed by the CEEX Program of the Romanian Ministry of Education and Research, Grant CEEX 157/2006. (<http://socialzoom.com/echiserv>)

January – December 2006. Research on the implementation of means-tested social protection measures in Cluj county. Individual research grant CNCSIS TD 382/17, involving qualitative fieldwork in Cluj county and quantitative analysis of already existing datasets.

2005-2006. Researcher within the PHARE Project *Community Force* conducted by Christliches Jugenddorfwerk Deutschlands (CJD) Eutin in partnership with the Research Centre on Interethnic Relations (CCRIT) Cluj-Napoca, and financed by the European Commission.

ANNEXES

- Annex 1. Full list of publications.

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- Together with Inglot, Tomasz and Szikra, Dorotya (2012): Reforming Post-Communist Welfare States. Family Policies in Poland, Hungary and Romania since 2000. *Problems of Post-Communism*, 59(6): 27-49.
- "Romaninaiet ja lapset - Romanian uuden perhepolitiikan havaijat" [Roma women and children – disadvantaged by Romanian family policies] (2012) in Airi Markkanen, Heini Puurunen, Aino Saarinen (eds.): *Huomio! Romaneja tiella [Attention! Roma on the Road]*, Like, Helsinki, pp. 164-183.
- Politica marginalizării. Abrupt și invizibil. Capitol de carte în *Antologia Critic Atac 2012*, Cluj-Napoca, Ed. Tact, pp. 16-22.
- Sărăcie și marginalizare sociale în rândul familiilor cu copii [Poverty and social marginalization among families with children]. In Rotariu, T. and Voineagu, V. (eds.) (2012): *Inerție și Schimbare [Inertia and Change]*. Iași, Polirom, pp. 179-198.
- "Incluziune adversa. Prestații sociale și persistența sărăciei în rândul romilor din România" [Adverse Inclusion. Social Transfers and the Persistence of Poverty among the Roma from Romania]. In Toma, Stefania și Foszto, Laszlo (eds.) (2011): *Spectrum. Cercetări sociale despre romi. [Spectrum. Social researches about the Roma]*. Cluj-Napoca, Editura ISPMN și Criterion, pp. 159-180.
- Together with Tomasz Inglot (principal author) and Dorotya Szikra (2011): *Continuity and Change in Family Policies of the New European Democracies: a Comparison of Poland, Hungary, and Romania*, Working paper for the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (NCEEER);
- Part I: http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/nceeer/2011_825-10_Inglot1.pdf#xml=http://ucis-db.cssd.pitt.edu/cgi-bin/texis/webinator/search/pdfhi.txt?query=tomasz&pr=nceeer&prox=page&rorder=500&rprox=500&rdfreq=500&rfreq=500&rlea=d=500&rdepth=0&sufs=0&order=r&cq=&id=4f1f23a411
- Part II: http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/nceeer/2011_825-10_Inglot2.pdf#xml=http://ucis-db.cssd.pitt.edu/cgi-bin/texis/webinator/search/pdfhi.txt?query=tomasz&pr=nceeer&prox=page&rorder=500&rprox=500&rdfreq=500&rfreq=500&rlea=d=500&rdepth=0&sufs=0&order=r&cq=&id=4f1f23ad11
- "Disciplining Mothers: Fertility Threats and Family Policies in Romania", *GESIS Thematic Series on Social Sciences in Eastern Europe*, Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Issue 1/2010, pp. 75-87.
- Together with Livia Popescu and Adina Rebeleanu (2010): „No discrimination!” Just unequal access...Barriers in the use of health-care services among the Romanian Roma. *ISPMN Working paper*, Cluj-Napoca.
- "The Impact of Minimum Income Guarantee Schemes in Central and Eastern Europe" (2009) in Cerami, A., Vanhuysee, P. *Post-Communist Welfare Pathways: Theorizing Social Policy Transformations in CEE*, Basingstoke, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 164-181.



- Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2009): *Disparități în utilizarea serviciilor de sănătate în regiunea de Nord-Vest. Pattern-uri și cauze socio-economice. [Disparities in the use of health care services in the North-West Region. Social and economic patterns and causes]*. Cluj-Napoca: Ed. Mega (recunoscută CNCIS). ISBN: ISBN 978-606-543-006-08 (182p.)
- Together with Popescu, L. (2008): "Quasi-Marketization and Security in Health Care Systems: The Case Study of the North-Western Region of Romania", *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol. 53(2), pp. 79-99.
- Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2007): „Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the New Member States of the European Union”, *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol.52(2), pp. 125-150.
- Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2007): „Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the Context of the Enlarged European Union”, *IRISS Working Papers*, Luxembourg, 2007.
- Implementarea măsurilor de protecție socială bazate pe testarea mijloacelor. Un studiu de caz al județului Cluj [The implementation of means-tested social security measures. A case study of Cluj county]* (2007), Research Report CNCIS TD 382/17, Cluj-Napoca, Presa Universitară Clujeană (36 pag. ISBN 978-973-610-532-6).
- “The Effectiveness of Welfare State Transfers in Reducing Poverty in Romania and Hungary during the first Decade of Post-Socialist Transition” (2006), *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol.51(1): pp. 98-111.
- „Romanian Roma, State Transfers, and Poverty” (2005). *International Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 35 (2), November 2005, pp. 85-93.
- „Weighting the Weight of Weighting. The implications of using different poverty measures and household equivalence scales on welfare assessments in Romania” (2005) in *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologica*, Vol. 50(2).
- „Reshaping Social Distances. Encounters between Welfare Workers and the Socio-Economically Deprived” (2003). *Romanian Journal of Society and Politics*, Vol. 3(2), pp. 27-53.
- „Elatszito kozelseg vagy athidalt tavolsag? Szocialis munkasok kapcsolalta anyagilag es tarsadalmilag deprivalt személyekkel” [*Distancing closeness or closing the distance? Encounters between welfare workers and the socio-economically deprived*] (2003). *Web*, Vol. 11, Mai 2003, pp. 29-35 (in Hungarian).
- Covrig, Anca – Rat, Cristina: „Portrete atitudinale ale adolescentilor din Transilvania” [Attitudinal portraits of adolescents from Transylvania] (2000). In Veres, Valer (ed.) *Liceeni ardeleni in tranitie*, Cluj-Napoca, Limes, pp. 144-155.

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