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WORK EXPERIENCE

WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – 01/07/2024 – CURRENT

Coordinating and managing the Department of International Relations' team and activities at West University of Timisoara, in the framework of WUT's strategy for internationalisation and global cooperation: student and staff international mobility, incoming and outgoing; the portfolio of bilateral agreements and partnerships; international associations' affiliations of the university; international students recruitment and admission processes; projects and policy focusing on WUT's internationalisation goals; international marketing and global cooperation initiatives at WUT; international/visiting lecturers and researchers; international study programmes.

Institutional coordinator for UNITA European Universities Alliance activities at West University of Timisoara and coordinator of activities for the network of Romanian universities members of European Universities Alliances, RO European Universities.

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNANCE STUDIES, WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

SENIOR LECTURER – 01/10/2024 – CURRENT

Teaching courses and seminars on the following topics: Gender and Development (course and seminar, MA level); Social Identities and Minorities in Europe (course and seminar, BA level); European Security and the Issue of National and Ethnic Minorities (course and seminar, BA level); Ethics and Academic Integrity (course, BA level); International Public Policy (seminar, BA level). Coordinating Masters and Bachelor students' theses. Conducting internship and thesis writing workshops. Research on topics related to the gendered dimension of politics and policy, new institutionalisms and europeanisation processes.

WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

UNITA PROJECT MANAGER – 06/11/2020 – CURRENT

Coordinating the implementation, monitoring and reporting of activities of the UNITA project (European Universities Initiative, Erasmus+) at West University of Timisoara. West University of Timisoara is part of the UNITA consortium starting with 2020 alongside University of Turin and University of Brescia (IT), University of Zaragoza and Public University of Navarra (ES), University of Savoie Mont Blanc and University of Pau and the Adour Region (FR), University Beira Interior and Polytechnical Institute of Guarda (PT), Transilvania University of Brasov (RO), and Western Switzerland University of Applied Sciences (CH) and the University of Chernivtsi (UKR).

Main responsibilities include: coordinating the local UVT project team for the UNITA projects (2020-2023, 2023-2027) consisting of members of the UNITA Office UVT, local Work Package coordinators, local Task Team coordinators and members, as well as other administrative and teaching staff involved in the project; reporting to the UNITA project manager, as well as WUT management regarding the UNITA activities implemented at West University of Timisoara; coordinating communication with the nine other partner universities, associated partners and Romanian relevant institutions for the implementation of the project (Ministry of Education, Erasmus+ National Agency, etc).

WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

DIRECTOR, UNITA DEPARTMENT – 01/11/2022 – 06/2024

Coordinating the activities related to the UNITA European Universities Alliance at West University of Timisoara. UNITA is part of the alliances financed by the European Commission in the Erasmus+ European Universities initiative. In parallel to managing the EUI (European Universities Initiative) Erasmus+ project of UNITA at West University of Timisoara, other activities involved: ensuring the integration of a UNITA dimension in all academic, research and administrative structures and activities of West University of Timisoara, ensuring an overview of all projects developed within the framework of UNITA with WUT as a partner, coordinating the activities for the RO European Universities network, an association of universities from Romania members of European Universities Alliances, initiated by WUT in 2020 in the context of the Erasmus+ European Universities Initiative.

 **WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – 15/10/2012 – 31/10/2022

Coordinating and managing the Department of International Relations' activities at West University of Timisoara, in the framework of WUT's strategy for internationalisation and global cooperation: student and staff international mobility, incoming and outgoing (ERASMUS, EEA Grants, CEEPUS); the portfolio of bilateral agreements and partnerships; international associations' affiliations of the university; international students recruitment and admission processes; institutional development projects and policy regarding WUT's internationalisation goals; development and implementation of international higher education projects and programmes; international marketing and global cooperation initiatives at WUT; international lecturers.

 **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

VISITING LECTURER – 01/10/2012 – 30/09/2023

Teaching and tutoring activities at MA level for the Gender and Development course (International Development and Management of Global Affairs study programme)

 **WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

PROJECT MANAGER – 01/05/2019 – 31/08/2019

Project: Institutional development through internationalisation for all at West University of Timisoara
Management of the four main activities of the project for which funding was secured through governmental competition: Discover excellence @WUT- aimed at promoting WUT internationally; West University of Timisoara late summer school- aimed at offering WUT and international students the experience of intensive learning in Timisoara; WUT international research visits- aimed at WUT early-stage academics; West University of Timisoara Diaspora guest lectures/workshops- aimed at connecting Romanian Diaspora academics with the community in WUT.

 **WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

PROJECT MANAGER – 01/06/2016 – 30/11/2016

Project: iUVT- Competitiveness growth through internationalization
Coordinating project activities relating to internationalization of a higher education institution in niche segments of institutional development at West University of Timisoara: international marketing and global promotion of WUT; professional training for academic and non-academic staff concerning the improvement of foreign language proficiency levels; developing institutional frameworks for advancing internationalisation (regulations, document formats, translations, etc).

 **MILIEU LTD** – BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

CONSULTANT (ROMANIA) – 01/11/2015 – 28/02/2016

Activities: consultancy concerning materials elaborated by the European Institute for Gender Equality (for which Milieu Ltd was subcontracted) in regards to the Beijing+20 Platform for Action, as well as public policy and gender issues in Romania in the period between November 2015 and February 2016- verifying information for accuracy, proofreading translations, creating databases with specific concepts and terms.

 **WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

PROJECT MANAGER – 04/08/2015 – 30/06/2016

Project: "Institutional Change for International Exchange of Students with Disabilities"
Coordinating a partnership of higher education institutions from Romania, Hungary, Spain and Norway, with the objectives of creating a network of universities that are proactive in regards to implementing institutional change for effectively supporting international study mobilities of students with disabilities. The project's objectives have been to develop a Report, a White Paper, a Manual of Good Practices and an Evaluation Tool for Higher Education Institutions concerning international study mobilities of students with disabilities, in order to make them available to all interested stakeholders.

 **EXECUTIVE AGENCY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION (UEFISCDI)** – BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

NATIONAL EXPERT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF ROMANIAN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE PROJECT "INTERNATIONALIZATION, EQUITY AND UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT FOR QUALITY HIGHER EDUCATION" FINANCED THROUGH THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND – 01/09/2014 – 28/02/2015

Activities: project based work regarding the evaluation of institutional policies and strategies in Romanian Higher Education Institutions involved in the project; training sessions and support of the HEIs concerning: creating and

implementing their internationalization strategy; development of international relations offices and professionalizing staff in the field of international relations in Romanian universities.

 **WEST UNIVERSITY OF TIMISOARA** – TIMISOARA, ROMANIA

EXPERT FOR THE SELECTION, ORGANISATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT "PROFESSIONAL TRAINING- THE KEY TO CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND EQUAL ACCESS ON THE LABOR MARKET", FINANCED THROUGH THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND –
12/06/2014 – 30/04/2015

Activities: organizing qualification courses offered by West University of Timisoara in the framework of the project (involving other three partners in Romania), in the niche fields of Sports Instructor, Tourist Guide and Ceramics Worker, for a target group of 100 women in the West region of Romania; coordinating the selection of participants to courses; organizing the courses together with the lecturers involved and ensuring the quality of the courses, according to Romanian legislation and the objectives of the project in regards to ensuring a better access for women on the Romanian and European labour market; coordinating the financial and reporting activities of the project.

 **PATRIR- PEACE ACTION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF ROMANIA** – CLUJ-NAPOCA, ROMANIA
VOLUNTEER – 01/11/2009 – 01/03/2010

Activities: developing training projects in the field of gendered violence, intersection of gender and conflict and discrimination issues; project development, project management and project implementation for the annual 16 days campaign to prevent violence against women at the local level; coordination work in setting a local network of NGOs and governmental institutions which aim at developing an advocacy strategy to change the Romanian law on the matter of domestic violence, public policy analysis.

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

01/04/2012 – 30/06/2012 Aberdeen, United Kingdom

INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO VIOLENCE (IDAV) PROGRAMME VISITING DOCTORAL STUDENT
School of Social Sciences, University of Aberdeen

01/01/2012 – 31/03/2012 Budapest, Hungary

DOCTORAL STUDENT SUPPORT FELLOWSHIP IN GENDER STUDIES Department of Gender Studies, Central European University

01/10/2009 – 30/10/2012 Cluj-Napoca

DOCTORAL DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY (SUMMA CUM LAUDAE) Faculty of European Studies, Babes- Bolyai University

Subject area of research: Political Sociology and Gender Studies

Research project topic: (Non)European identity constructions in representations of violence against women in Romania

06/09/2008 – 18/06/2009 Budapest, Hungary

MASTER OF ARTS IN GENDER STUDIES Department of Gender Studies, Central European University

Main subject areas for specialization: Gender, Nationalism, Ethnicity, Body Politics, Media Analysis, Social Construction(s) and Discrimination, Issues of Violence Against Women, Colonialism, Orientalism, Political International Relations, Interdisciplinarity, Public Policy, Human Rights.

01/10/2007 – 15/02/2008 Warsaw, Poland

ERASMUS MOBILITY FOR STUDIES IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Uniwersytet Kardynała Stefana Wyszyńskiego w Warszawie

Main subject areas for specialization: Lobbying and structure of EU, Regional politics, Geopolitics, Applied ethics, American exceptionalism in ideas.

01/10/2004 – 17/07/2008 Timisoara, Romania

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND EUROPEAN STUDIES Faculty of Political Science, Philosophy and Communication Sciences, West University of Timisoara

Main subject areas for specialization: International relations, Political ideologies, Human rights, Political communication, Policy-making, European Union institutions, European Union policies, International law, Public administration, Peace studies, Geopolitics.

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **ROMANIAN**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
FRENCH	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
POLISH	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● JOB-RELATED SKILLS

Job-related skills

Strategy development and implementation skills; international teams management; institutional development assessments; experience in qualitative research; research in niche domains and discourse analysis; experience in public policy analysis and development; experience in developing, writing, implementation and management of projects; experience in teaching and training activities.

● COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Communication and interpersonal skills

sociable, communicative, ability to live and work in a multicultural and multilingual environment, always interested in self-improvement and learning from/ with other people.

● ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

leadership and team management abilities, well organized, team spirit, able to work under pressure, capacity for monitoring and analysis of local, national and international public policy.