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CURRICULUM VITAE

Education and qualifications

- 2022 PhD in Sociology and Social Anthropology (*summa cum laudae*)
Central European University, Vienna.
- 2013 M.A. in Sociology and Social Anthropology
Central European University, Budapest.
- 2010 M.A. in Anthropology and Community Development
National School of Political Studies and Administration, Bucharest.
- 2007 B.A. in Romanian and English Philology
Faculty of Letters, Bucharest.

Publications (academic)

Articles

- forthcoming 'Living in a world of others: Grace, hierarchy, and politics in a Romanian mahala,'
HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory. Accepted for publication.
- 2019 'Of Bodies and Documents: A Reportage from a Transylvanian Village,' *Irish Journal of Anthropology*, 22(1), 170-183.

Book chapter

- 2018 'Emotions and Procedures: Contradictions of early Romani activism in a post-conflict intervention.' In: Beck, Sam and Ana Ivasiuc (eds.) *Roma Activism: Reimagining Power and Knowledge*. Berghahn Books. ISBN: 978-1-78533-948-6.

Edited volume

- Forthcoming 2023: 'Roma In/Of Romania: An overview.' Special issue of *Romano Džaniben: časopis romistických studií*. With Petra Dobruská.

2020 ‘Marriage-Making among Roma in Central and Eastern Europe: Practices, Imaginaries, Economies’ in *Martor. The Museum of the Romanian Peasant Anthropology Review* (25). With Cătălina Tesăr (University of Bucharest).

Book reviews

2022 Péter Berta. *Materializing Difference: Consumer Culture, Politics, and Ethnicity among Romanian Roma*. ‘Anthropological Horizons’ Series. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2019. Review requested by *National Identities Journal* (in print).

2020 Paloma Gay y Blasco and Liria Hernández. *Writing Friendship. A Reciprocal Ethnography*. Palgrave Studies in Literary Anthropology. Palgrave Macmillan, 2020. In *Martor. The Museum of the Romanian Peasant Anthropology Review* (25).

Commissioned work

2019 ‘The Convolved Gender Policy Processes in Romania: Institutional disarray and activist resilience.’ In: Krizsan, Andrea and Conny Roggeband (eds.) *Gendering Democratic Backsliding in Central and Eastern Europe. A comparative agenda*. CEU Press. ISBN: 978-615-5547-07-2.

Publications (non-academic)

2020 ‘When we write we listen to ourselves: Letters from the imaginary border between research and friendship’ (in Romanian). With Izabela Tiberiade. *Sfertul academic* platform for public anthropology, Bucharest.

2018 ‘On anthropological fields: between community and the state’ (in Romanian). *Contrasens*, the podcast of Sociology students at UBB Cluj-Napoca.

2013 *It’s About Us: 20 answers to the question ‘What do you want to be when you grow up’*. Unicef Romania. With Ana Ivasiuc. Bucharest: Oscar Print. ISBN 978-973-668-365-7.

Work in progress

‘Confronting Contradictions: A Research Agenda for Researchers of Romani Populations after Covid-19.’ Chapter for volume *Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Research in the Age of COVID-19: Ethics, Methods and Engagement*, edited by Gay y Blasco, Paloma and Martin Fotta and accepted for publication by Bristol University Press. Under revision.

‘An analysis of early-age marriage sentencing in Bulgaria.’ Chapter for the yearly casebook “*Culture in the Courtroom*” - *Judgments Addressing Diversity in a European Context*, edited by the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (MPI) and the European Judicial Training Network. With Maria Nikolova (MPI).

‘Marital Contradictions: Antagonism, pity, and capability in a Romanian *mahala*.’ Chapter for volume *Gendered violence/s in Gypsy, Romani and Traveller research. Exploring*

dilemmas, tensions and positions, edited by Gay y Blasco, Paloma, Raluca Bianca Roman, and Iliana Sarafian.

Teaching

- 2021 Teaching assistant, CEU and the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, summer course ‘Liberalism Infected: Revisiting Political and Socio-Legal Thought in the Aftermath of COVID-19.’
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- 2019 Guest lecturer, Department of Sociology, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca. ‘Symbolic Anthropology.’ Mandatory course for 2nd year BA students.
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- 2018 Guest lecturer, Department of Sociology, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca. ‘Politics of Social Reproduction: Practices, moralities and contradictions.’ Elective course for BA and MA students.
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- 2018 Academic instructor, CEU Open Learning Initiative, CEU, Budapest. ‘Epistemology and Methodology of the Social Sciences.’
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- 2018 Teaching assistant, CEU, Budapest. ‘Ethnography and Field Methods.’ Mandatory course for MA students.

Invited talks

- Trainer for event Cultural Diversity in the Courtroom: Judges facing new challenges. European Judicial Training Network and MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle/Germany, Barcelona, 15-16 September.
- 2022 ‘Stealing to Belong: An Ethnography of Outsmarting in a Southern Romanian Mahala.’ The Group for Anthropological Research and Debates, New Europe College, Romania. 24 March
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- 2021 ‘Making virtue out of necessity in a southern Romanian *mahala*.’ Institute of Anthropology and Ethnology of the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland. 22 December.
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- “Social and Legal Actions to Combat Honor Related Abuses,” conference organised by the Center for Sustainable Communities Development, Bulgaria, 18 February.
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- 2018 Invited lecture for Nationalism Studies Program at CEU.

Panel and conference organizer

- 2020 Convener of the panel *Marriage-making among Romani populations* at the 16th EASA Biennial Conference, with Dr. Cătălina Tesăr (University of Bucharest), 20-24 July.

2015 Co-organizer of the Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology's yearly graduate conference: 'Hope and (Im)Mobility in the Pursuit of Change.' Budapest, 12-13 June.

Conferences and workshops

- 'Aspiring through Kinship: Ethnographic Notes from El Salvador and Romania.' With Claire Moll Namas (LSE). EASA 2022, Belfast, 26-29 July.
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- 'Political articulations of state-led developmentalism towards Romanies.' With Martin Fotta (Czech Academy of Sciences). Workshop: Re-Imagining Development for Mobile and Marginalised Peoples, Oxford, 10-11 January.
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- 2022 'Marital Contradictions: Antagonism, pity, and capability in a Romanian *mahala*. Workshop 'Gendered violence/s in Gypsy', Romani and Traveller research. Exploring dilemmas, tensions and positions.' 4- 6 April, St. Andrews.
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- 'Urban development and the formation of Romani political subjects.' Conference: 'Next Generation: Prospettive antropologiche,' Sapienza Università di Roma, 15-18 December.
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- '*Kărel Beleaua*: Practices of feuding and conflict avoidance among southern Romanian Roma'. Conference 'Conflict Resolutions & Romani Peoples. An Interdisciplinary Insight,' University of Verona, 2-3 September.
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- 2021 'Procurement and Distinction: "Outsmarting" as a mode of social reproduction among Romanian Rom.' Conference 'Society and Morality in Eurasia: from Prehistory to the Present Day,' Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, 7-9 July.
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- 'A comparative anthropology of circulation: the sociality of "nomadism" among Brazilian Calon and Romanian Rom'. Co-authored with Martin Fotta (Czech Academy of Sciences) IUAES Inter-Congress 2020. March 9-14.
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- 'Hierarchies and egalitarianism in the betrothal negotiations of a Roma population in Southern Romania.' 16th EASA Biennial Conference. 20-24 July.
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- 'Kinsmen into strangers: Amity, pity, and hierarchy among Romanian Roma'. Workshop 'Mobilities and Care. Transformations of belonging and inequalities.' 5th Vienna Ethnography Laboratory. 2-4 July.
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- 2020 "'Capable," "free," and "universal": The circulation of Roma between idioms of resistance and difference. A case-study from southern Romania.' Conference 'Trajectories of Romani Migrations and Mobilities in Europe and Beyond (1945- present)', Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, 16-18 September.
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- 'Solidarity: between strangers' compassion and kinsmen's obligation among Romanian Rom.' IUAES 2019 Inter-Congress, Poznań, Poland, 27-31 August.
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- 2019 'No Room of One's Own: Being at home in "Gypsy palaces".' SIEF 14th Congress, Santiago de Compostela, Spain, 14-17 April.
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- 'What does it take to strike a bargain? The politics of idiosyncratic transactions in a second-hand Roma market in southern Romania.' Workshop 'The Moral

Dimensions of Economic Life in Eastern Europe, Russia, and Eurasia,' Oxford School of Global and Area Studies. Oxford, UK, 21-22 March.

2018	'Living with/against Others: 'Inequality' as a resource in Gypsy-Gadge relations.' ASA Conference, University of Oxford, UK, 18-21 September.
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2015	'Of bodies and documents: A case-study of humanitarian engagement and its ensuing mimicry.' RAI Postgraduate Conference, Manchester, UK, 4-5 June.
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Fellowships and awards

Award for Advanced Doctoral Students, Central European University.	2021
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Visiting Writing-Up Fellowship, Department 'Law & Anthropology', Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle (Saale).	2020
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Visiting Research Fellow, Department of Anthropology, Goldsmiths, University of London (financed by CEU's Doctoral Research Support Grant).	2019
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Academic service

- 2019-present Editor of the open-access peer-reviewed journal *Anthropology Matters*.
- 2022 Organised and delivered student workshop on academic publishing (CEU).
- 2019 Organised departmental colloquium (CEU).
- 2019 Organised student workshop (CEU).
- Peer reviews for *Social Analysis* and *Critical Romani Studies*.

Memberships

- 2021-present Member of the editorial board for *Martor. The Museum of the Romanian Peasant Anthropology Review*.
- 2020-present Member of the Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK.

Field research (total: over 25 months)

2015-2016	Participant observation and interviews in a Roma neighbourhood in southern Romania. Doctoral research, Central European University, 16 months.
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2013	Participant observation and interviews in Hădăreni, Romania. MA research, 1 month.
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2013	Participant observation and interviews in Bicske refugee camp, Hungary. MA research, 2 months.
2011-2014	Engaged research in more than 20 Roma settlements in Romania. Total: 3 months.
2008-2010	Participant observation and interviews in SE Romania. MA research, 3 months.

Other work experience (total: over 11 years)

2017-2018	Research assistant for the EU-funded TransCrisis project (Enhancing the EU's Transboundary Crisis Management Capacities: Strategies for Multi-Level Leadership). Center for Policy Studies, CEU.
2011-2013	Research consultant on public policies for Roma. 'Impreuna' Agency for Community Development, Bucharest.
2011-2012	English language instructor at the Ariel Foreign Language Centre of the University in Bucharest. Taught 2 groups of adult learners.
2006-2012	Cultural magazines editor, Writers' Union in Romania, Bucharest.

Languages

	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Writing</i>
Romanian	native	native	native
English	proficient	proficient	proficient
Romani	advanced	advanced	advanced
Dutch	intermediate	intermediate	intermediate
French	intermediate	intermediate	intermediate