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Education

September 1998-November 2003: Central European University, Budapest, History Department, Ph.D. in Comparative History; title of dissertation: "From Robin Hood to Don Quixote: Resistance and Dissent in Communist Romania."
September 2002-June 2003: University College London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, academic visitor.
January-August 2000: University of Maryland, College Park, USA, Department of Government and Politics, visiting graduate student.
1997-1998: Central European University, Budapest, History Department, M.A. in History.
1992-1997: University of Bucharest, Department of History, B.A. in History.
1982-1987: Polytechnic University of Bucharest, Department of Energetics, B.A. in Engineering.

Academic Position

Since February 2004, Lecturer in Comparative Politics and Recent History, Department of Political Science, University of Bucharest.

Professional Memberships

Since April 2007, Member of the Advisory Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania
April 2006-December 2006, Expert to the Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania

Research projects

"Remembering Communism: Methodological and Practical Issues of Approaching the Recent Past in Eastern Europe," hosted by Universität Leipzig, sponsored by Volkswagen Stiftung, 2006-2009.
"Diktaturbewältigung und nationale Selbstvergewisserung an der Semi-Peripherie Europas," hosted by Geisteswissenschaftlichen Zentrums Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas, Universität Leipzig, sponsored by Volkswagen Stiftung, 2005.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Co-author of *Raport Final al Comisiei Prezidențiale pentru Analiza Dictaturii Comuniste în România* (Final Report of the Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania). (Bucharest: Editura Humanitas, 2007).
Co-editor of *Nation-Building and Conflicting Identities: Romanian and Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest: Regio Books, 2001)

Book Chapters and Studies

- “Cum ne-am recuperat trecutul recent: Interpretarea comunismului în sfera publică postcomunistă” (How did we recuperate our recent past: Interpretation of communism in the post-communist public sphere), in Mihai Dinu Gheorghiu and Mihăiță Lupu, eds. *Mobilitatea elitelor în România secolului al XX-lea* (Elite mobility in Twentieth Century Romania) (Bucharest: Editura Paralela 45, 2008), pp. 339-372.
- “Eastern Europe, Central Europe or Europe? A Comparative Analysis of Central European Dissent and Romanian ‘Resistance through Culture’” in José M. Faraldo, Paulina Gulińska-Jurgiel, Christian Domnitz, eds., *Europa im Ostblock: Vorstellungen und Diskurse (1945-1991)* (Köln: Böhlau Verlag, 2008), pp. 231-249.
- “Resistance and Dissent under Communism: The Case of Romania” (with Dragoș Petrescu), *Totalitarismus und Demokratie* (Göttingen), Vol. 4, No. 2 (2007): pp. 323-346.
- “Mastering vs. Coming to Terms with the Past: A Critical Analysis of Post-Communist Romanian Historiography” (with Dragoș Petrescu), in Sorin Antohi, Balázs Trencsényi and Péter Apor, eds., *Narratives Unbound: Historical Studies in Post-Communist Eastern Europe* (Budapest: CEU Press, 2007), pp. 311-408.
- “Construcția identității naționale în Basarabia” (Construction of national identity in Bessarabia) in Monica Heintz, ed., *Stat slab, cetățenie incertă. Studii despre Republica Moldova* (Weak state, uncertain citizenship. Studies on the Republic of Moldova) (Bucharest: Editura Curtea Veche, 2007), 127-153.
- “Seven Faces of Dissent: A Micro Perspective on the Study of the Political (Sub)Cultures under Communism,” in Alexandru Zub and Adrian Cioflâncă, eds., *Cultură politică și politici culturale în România modernă* (Political culture and cultural politics in modern Romania) (Iași: Editura Universității “Alexandru Ioan Cuza, 2005), pp. 305-344.
- “How Communism Turned into History: Vladimir Tismăneanu as Historian of Romanian Communism” (with Dragoș Petrescu) *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. V, No.3 (2005): pp. 727-733.
- “The ‘Letter of the Six.’ On the Political (Sub)Culture of the Romanian Communist Elite” *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. V, No.2 (2005): pp. 355-384.
- “Romania,” in Detlef Pollack and Jan Wielgohs, eds., *Dissent and Opposition in Communist Eastern Europe: Origins of Civil Society and Democratic Transitions* (London: Ashgate, 2004), pp. 141-160.
- “Who Was the First in Transylvania: On the Origins of the Romanian-Hungarian Controversy over Minority Rights” *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. III, No.4 (2003): pp. 1119-1148.
- “The Nomenklatura Talks: Romanian Party Dignitaries on Gheorghiu-Dej and Ceaușescu” (with Dragoș Petrescu), *East European Politics and Societies*, Vol. 16, No. 3 (2002): pp. 958-970.
- “Contrasting/Conflicting Identities: Bessarabians, Romanians, Moldovans,” in Balazs Trencsenyi et al., eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities: Romanian & Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest & Bucharest: Regio Books & Polirom, 2001), pp. 153-178.
- “Ar mai fi ceva de spus: Despre disidența din România lui Ceaușescu” (Is there something else to be said: On Dissent in Ceaușescu’s Romania), afterword to Dan Petrescu and Liviu Cangeopol, *Ce-ar mai fi de spus: Convorbiri libere într-o țară ocupată* (What Remains to Be Said: Free Conversations in an Occupied Country) (Bucharest: Nemira, 2000), pp. 311-339.
- “Central Europe: Cultural Patterns and Civil Society,” in Marius Turda, ed., *The Garden and the Workshop: Disseminating Cultural History in East-Central Europe* (Budapest: Central European University & Europa Institut, 1999), pp. 268-280.
- “Vizitele de lucru, un ritual al Epocii de aur” (Domestic Visits of Ceaușescu, a Ritual of the Golden Epoch) in Lucian Boia, ed., *Miturile comunismului românesc* (Myths of Romanian Communism), vol. II (Bucharest: Bucharest University Press, 1997), pp. 105-111; reprinted in Lucian Boia, ed., *Miturile comunismului românesc* (Myths of Romanian Communism) (Bucharest: Nemira, 1998), pp. 229-238.