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• WORK EXPERIENCE

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JUNIOR LECTURER

West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work
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2019 – 2022

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Department of Social Work
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2015 – 2019

ASSOCIATE TEACHER

West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Department of Social Work
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• EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2019

PhD in SOCIOLOGY

West University of Timișoara, Doctoral school of Sociology, Philosophy and Political Science – Field: Sociology
Str. Paris, No. 1, 300223, Timișoara, Timiș, Romania.

2019

DIDACTIC TRAINING COURSE - Level II

The Banat University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "King Mihai I of Romania" of Timișoara, Department for Teacher Training
Calea Aradului, No. 119, 300645, Timișoara, Timiș, Romania.

2018

DIDACTIC TRAINING COURSE - Level I

The Banat University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "King Mihai I of Romania" of Timișoara, Department for Teacher Training
Calea Aradului, No. 119, 300645, Timișoara, Timiș, Romania.

2014

Master's degree – MANAGEMENT IN SOCIAL WORK

West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Department of Social Work
Bd. Vasile Pârvan, No. 4, 300223, Timișoara, Timiș, Romania.

2012

Bachelor's degree – SOCIAL WORK

West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Department of Social Work
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2009

High School diploma – Field: Technological – Profile: Technical – Specialization: Computer technology operator

Technical School "Dimitrie Leonida" - Petroșani
Str. 22 Decembrie, No. 6, 332020, Petroșani, Hunedoara, România.

• LANGUAGE SKILLS

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2

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

• DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office | social media | Adobe Photoshop & Illustrator (medium) | General hardware and software

• PUBLICATIONS

Coman, C., Bărbat, C., Goian, C., Bularca, M. C., Androni, F., Popp, L., Netedu, A., Burlacu, M., **Bălăuță, D.**, Talpă, N., & Popa, B. (2024). The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Immobilized Lifestyle of Institutionalized Older Persons: An Empirical Study. *Societies*, 14(6), 91. <https://doi.org/10.3390/soc14060091>

Bălăuță, D., Neagoe, A., Vasiluță Ștefănescu, M., & Toderici, O. F. (2019). The Social and Vocational Integration of Former Users of the Child Protection System in Romania: A Qualitative Study. *Sustainability*, 11(12), 3306. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su11123306>

Tudorel, O. I., Vintilă, M., Vlaicu, L., **Bălăuță, D.**, Cosmin. G., & Rusu, A. (2019). Romanian Version of the Internet Addiction Test: Psychometric Properties and Cross-Gender Invariance. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*, 17(2), 234-246. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11469-018-0014-6>

Budo, C., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Vlaicu, F. L. (2021). The role of the family in the social integration of the child with disabilities. *Revista Educația Plus [Journal Plus Education]*, 28(1), 182-193. Disponibil la <https://uav.ro/jour/index.php/jpe/article/view/1598>

Vulcănescu, M. I., Vlaicu, F. L., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Jivanov, G. (2021). Loneliness and Social Isolation of the Elderly from Drobeta-Turnu Severin During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Revista de Asistență Socială [Social Work Review]*, 1, 149-158. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=944037>

Goian, C., Meszaros, A., Vlaicu, F. L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2020). A comparative analysis between the perceptions and attitudes of students in two high schools with different status regarding the phenomenon of bullying in schools. *Revista Educația Plus [Journal Plus Education]*, 25(1), 308-325. Disponibil la <https://uav.ro/jour/index.php/jpe/article/view/1484>

Stanciu, C., Goian, C., Lavric, L. E., Vlaicu, F. L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2018). Interpersonal conflict and its implications in social work. *Agora Psycho-Pragmatica*, 12(2), 163-172. Disponibil la <https://www.uav.ro/jour/index.php/app/article/view/1137>

Nica, R., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, Vlaicu, F. L., & Dongea, D. D. (2018). Perceptions of involved professionals regarding cannabis decriminalization. *Social Research Reports*, 10(2), 95-100. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=675446>

Mizrach, H., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Vlaicu, F. L. (2018). An innovative teaching method to improve the functioning of children with autism spectrum disorder: a comparative analysis between storytelling and shadow theater. *Social Research Reports*, 10(1), 51-63. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=637539>

Marsiano, Y., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2018). The pedagogical instructor: traits preferred by students versus traits that predict success in the practical work. *Social Research Reports*, 10(1), 39-50. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=637538>

Neagoe, A., Trancă, L. M., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Vlaicu, L. (2018). "Values Focused Social Work Practice" Master's Degree – a Model of Pedagogical Good Practices. *Revista de Asistență Socială [Social Work Review]*, 1, 27-32. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=682091>

Abu Abid, M., Vlaicu, L., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Buică, D. (2018). School Violence in the Negev Region of Israel. *Revista de Asistență Socială [Social Work Review]*, 1, 7-15. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=682057>

Vlaicu, L., Fulop, D., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2017). The Language of Social Work – Comparative Study Between Romanian and American Terminology. *Agora Psycho-Pragmatica*, 11(2), 111-115. Disponibil la <http://www.uav.ro/jour/index.php/app/article/view/885>

Bălăuță, D. S., Borcovi, R., & Vlaicu, L. (2017). School Social Work – Between Reality and Desideratum. *Agora Psycho-Pragmatica*, 11(2), 76-82. Disponibil la <http://www.uav.ro/jour/index.php/app/article/view/881>

Vlaicu, L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2017). Perceptions of Actors Involved in Social Work Field Placement at the West University of Timisoara. *Social Work Review [Revista de Asistență Socială]*, 2, 53-60. Disponibil la <https://www.ceeol.com/search/article-detail?id=567005>

Vlaicu, L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2017). The portrayal of refugees in social media. *Agora Psycho-Pragmatica*, 11(1), 158-164. Disponibil la <http://www.uav.ro/jour/index.php/app/article/view/793>

Bălăuță, D. S. (2017). Awareness and involvement of youth regarding illegal drugs. *Agora Psycho-Pragmatica*, 11(1), 152-157. Disponibil la

- Bălăuță, D. S.** (2023). Instituționalizarea și efectele acesteia asupra persoanelor vârstnice. In C. Goian (Coord.), *Asistența persoanelor vârstnice în instituții rezidențiale* (pp. 69-84). Polirom.
- Vlaicu, L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2015). Valori și principii profesionale în asistența socială. In C. Goian, și L. M. Trancă (Coordonatori), *Formarea practică în asistența socială* (pp. 100-102). Timișoara: Editura de Vest.
- Goian, C., Vlaicu, F. L., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (2014). Practice Activities at the Social Work Department of the West University of Timișoara - A Qualitative Analysis. In G. Rață și P. L. Runcan (Editori), *Education and Continuous Education* (pp. 67-74). Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.
- Nica, R., **Bălăuță, D.**, & Vlaicu, L. (2016). Risk drug legalization in Romania - Opportunity or threat?. În M. Tomiță (Editor), *THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE MULTIDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVESIN THE QUASICOERCIVE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS – Probation as a field of study and research: From person to society*. (pp. 149-154). Bologna: Filodiritto International Proceedings, Filodiritto Publishing.
- Șotor, A. I., & **Bălăuță, D. S.** (29th - 31st October 2025). *The Dependency of Unhoused People on Social Work Institutions in Timișoara*. The 9th Social Work International Conference (SWIC) „Social Work in a shifting world: Responding to transforming realities and their ripple effects”, București, RO. (<https://swicub.com/>)
- Vlaicu, F. L., Nica, R., **Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Dongea, D. (08th - 09th December 2017). *Cannabis decriminalization and perceptions of involved professional*. The 9th Edition of the International Conference „Alcoholism and Other Addictions; Psychosocial, Historical and Therapeutical Issues”, Alba Iulia, RO. (http://uab.ro/sesiuni_2017/alcoholism/)
- Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Vlaicu, F. L. (08th - 09th December 2017). *A historical perspective of drugs use*. The 9th Edition of the International Conference „Alcoholism and Other Addictions; Psychosocial, Historical and Therapeutical Issues”, Alba Iulia, RO. (http://uab.ro/sesiuni_2017/alcoholism/)
- Bălăuță, D. S.**, & Vlaicu, F. L. (09th - 10th November 2017). *Advantages and disadvantages of inclusive education from the perspective of teachers and parents*. 3th International Conference on Communication and Education in Knowledge Society 2017, Timișoara, RO. (https://cesc2017.uvt.ro/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Program-_sectiuni_CESC_2017.pdf)
- Nica, R., **Bălăuță, D.**, & Vlaicu, L. (31st March - 01st April 2016). *Risk drug legalization in Romania - Opportunity or threat?* THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE MULTIDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVESIN THE QUASICOERCIVE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS – Probation as a field of study and research: From person to society, Timișoara, RO. (<http://specto2016.uvt.ro/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/program-SPECTO-1.pdf>)
- Vlaicu, L., & **Bălăuță, D.** (31st March - 01st April 2016). The portrayal of refugees in social media. THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE MULTIDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVESIN THE QUASICOERCIVE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS – Probation as a field of study and research: From person to society, Timișoara, RO. (<https://specto2016.uvt.ro/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/program-SPECTO-1.pdf>)
- Bălăuță, D. S.** (21st - 22nd April 2015). *The usefulness of Social Media in promoting social work institutions*. Youth Participation to Research and Psychosocial Intervention in Contemporary Society, Cluj-Napoca, RO. (<http://oldnews.ubbcluj.ro/international-student-conference-%E2%80%9Dyouth-participation-to-research-and-psychosocial-intervention-in-contemporary-society%E2%80%9D-held-at-ubb/>) (<http://socasis.ubbcluj.ro/docs/2014-2015/Social%20Justice.pdf>)
- 10 - 21 Martie 2014 – Erasmus Intensive Program „Generation Y”, Haute Ecole Libre Mosane – Helmo Ste-Croix (Teacher training department), Liège, Belgia.
- 11 - 30 Iulie 2013 – Erasmus Intensive Program „Competences for Collaboration and Knowledge Sharing in Digital Society”, Instituto Politécnico de Santarém – Escola Superior de Educação, Santarém, Portugalia.
- 04 - 15 Martie 2013 – Erasmus Intensive Program „From exercising to exploring”, University of Hradec Kralove, Hradec Kralove, Republica Cehă.
- 23 - 26 Iunie 2010 – Cursul „Pregătire în domeniul acordării primului ajutor premedical”, Societatea Națională de Cruce Roșie din Română, Filiala Hunedoara, Lupeni, Hunedoara, România.
- 19 - 23 Aprilie 2010 – Modulele de formare: „Introducere în problematica traficului de ființe umane”, „Dezvoltarea abilităților de prezentare; tehnici și metode de transmitere eficientă a informației”, „Elaborarea planului de lecție pentru orele de prevenire a traficului de persoane la ciclul gimnazial”, Societatea pentru Copii și Părinți, Timișoara, Timiș, România.
- 28 - 30 Noiembrie 2008 – Cursul „Metode și instrumente în educația non-formală în context Tineret în Acțiune”, ANPCDEFP cu sprijinul Asociației pentru Consolidarea Societății Civile Valea Jiului, Petroșani, Hunedoara, România.
- 21 - 23 Martie 2008 – Modulul de formare „Scrierea propunerilor de finanțare în context Tineret în Acțiune”, Centrul de Resurse pentru Educație Animație Training Inițiativă și Voluntariat și Fundația Noi Orizonturi, Petroșani, Hunedoara, România.

09 Noiembrie 2018 – Conferința „*Orient and Occident: Sir Allama Iqbal's universal heritage*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

30 Mai 2018 – Conferința „*Dialoguri cultural-sociale: Orient – Occident 2018*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

13 - 14 Octombrie 2016 – Conferința Națională „*Proiecte ale copiilor și tierilor: participare la decizii și acțiune socială*”, Cluj-Napoca, Cluj, România.

01 - 02 Iunie 2016 – The International Conference „*Young Romanians Adopted Around the World*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

06 Iunie 2013 – Conferința Regională Timișoara „*O intervenție integrată în vederea consolidării antreprenoriatului social al femeilor vulnerabile*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

20 - 24 Noiembrie 2012 – The 4th Edition of the International Conference on Gerontological Social Work „*Solidarity beyond age*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

24 - 26 Mai 2012 – The First International Conference on Social Inclusion and Equal Opportunities – SIEO 2012 „*Employment for Young People: Challenges and Opportunities*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

10 - 12 Mai 2012 – The Third International Conference Social Work Perspective on Quasi-Coercive Treatment of Offenders „*Violence among adolescents*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.

05 - 07 Mai 2011 – The Second International Conference Social Work Perspective on Quasi-Coercive Treatment of Offenders „*Modern trends in juvenile delinquency – Resilience of the delinquent child*”, Timișoara, Timiș, România.