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Raluca Maria POPA – CV

Education:

- Since June 2005: PhD Candidate in Comparative Gender Studies at the Central European University, Budapest (www.ceu.hu/gend)
- **MA in Gender Studies** from the Central European University, Budapest (2003).
MA Thesis: Socialism and Gender (In)Equality – Gender Relations in Socialist Theory and in the Context of Late State Socialist Family and Reproductive Policies in Hungary, Poland and Romania
- **Romanian Society of Political Science** – Research fellowship (2002) – Research project: “Minorities’ Freedom of Association in Central and Eastern Europe”. Courses in: *Theories of Political Elite Recruitment; Anthropological Foundations of Political Science, and Minorities, Democracy, Rights in Post-Communist Europe*
- September 2000 – June 2001: Open Society Institute Undergraduate Exchange Program, at the **Kalamazoo College, USA**. Fields of study: sociology, history, and political science
- **BA in Political Science** from the National School for Political Studies and Public Administration (2002)

Additional courses:

- “Intersectionality – Potentials and Challenges”, August 29 – 31, 2005, Nordic Research School in Interdisciplinary Gender Studies. Venue: The Danish University of Education, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- “Teaching in Higher Education 1: A Key Skills Training Course” (Spring 2005) Curriculum Resource Center, CEU, Budapest.
- “Women’s Work: Biographies, Living Conditions and Global Transformation in Comparative Studies”, June 28 - July 2, 2004, Inter-University Center, Dubrovnik
- “The European Integration Process (Europe after the War against Serbia)”, September 1999, Mangalia, Romania, offered by The Black Sea University and Luxembourg Institute for European and International Studies.

Training certificates:

- “Ethnic Diversity and Public Service Delivery”, Budapest, November 5-9, 2006, Delivered by LGI/ OSI
- “EU Funding”, Brussels, October 4-5, Delivered by Information Diffusion Europe Association (IDEA)

Courses I have taught (in English):

- Introduction to Sociology (at the CEU Roma Access Program)
- Intersections of Ethnicity/ “Race”, Gender and Class (at the CEU Roma Access Program)

Trainings I have delivered (in Romanian):

- “Gender mainstreaming in public policy”, for the Romani Women Seminar “Broadening the Policy Agenda”, Timisoara, Romania, December 7-9, 2006 organized by the ASSOCIATION OF GYPSY WOMEN and ROMA PARTICIPATION PROGRAM, OSI
- “Introduction to gender issues”, for the Romani Women Seminar “Priorities, Interests and Opportunities”, Bucharest, Romania, September 4-5, organized by AVEN AMENTZA, Bucharest

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- Facilitator for the summer school for Roma students “I want more” organized by the AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT “TOGETHER” and HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT PROGRAM, OSI

Professional experience:

- From February 2007: Junior researcher at the **CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES**, Budapest.
- June – September 2006: **UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR WOMEN (UNIFEM) – CEE, Bratislava**. Consultant for the UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women.
- April – December 2006: **ROMA ACCESS PROGRAM**, CEU Budapest. Tutor for the “Introduction to Gender and Sociology” teaching module.
- September - November 2005: **ROMA PARTICIPATION PROGRAM (RPP), OSI Budapest**. Consultant for the project “Improving the Situation of Romani Women in Romania”.
- July - August 2005: **UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR WOMEN (UNIFEM) – CEE, Bratislava**. Intern. Main outcomes: Participated in the elaboration of the study “The Story Behind the Numbers: Women and Employment in Central and Eastern Europe and the CIS” (UNIFEM, forthcoming 2005); developed the project proposal “Working Against Stereotypes: Developing Effective Strategies for Gender Equality in the CEE and CIS regions”
- April – June 2005: **ROMA ACCESS PROGRAM**, CEU Budapest. Tutor for the “Introduction to Sociology” course. (Prepared the course, delivered lectures, and held the seminars.)
- August 2003 – July 2004: **INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY**, Bucharest, Romania (www.ipp.ro). Started as program assistant and continued as program coordinator (from January 2004). Main project: “Political Extremism in Romania”.
- August 2004 – December 2004: **“POLIROM” PUBLISHING HOUSE**, Iasi, Romania. Translated the book *Eugenics and Modernization in Interwar Romania*, by Maria Bucur.
- February 2004 – June 2004 and October 2001 – January 2002: **NATIONAL SCHOOL FOR POLITICAL STUDIES AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**, Bucharest, Romania. Teaching assistant for “Academic Writing” and “Feminist Political Theories”. Tutor for the course “Introduction to Political Science”.
- October 1998 – July 1999: **COMMISSION FOR LABOUR AND SOCIAL WELFARE, CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES**, Bucharest, Romania. Intern.

Grants and scholarships:

- April 2006 – May 2007: International Policy Fellowship, from the Open Society Institute, Budapest/ Center for Policy Studies. Policy fellow conducting an individual research project on “The Accountability of EU Funding to Romani Women’s Issues and Priorities”. (www.policy.hu/popa)
- October 2005: Awarded a CEU research grant at the International Archives and Information Center for the Women’s Movements (IIAV), and International Institute for Social History (IISG), Amsterdam
- October 2005: Awarded a CEU travel grant to the European Social Science History Conference, Amsterdam, March 2006
- Since September 2004: CEU Full Fellowship for doctoral studies (three years)
- June 2004: “Henrik Birnbaum” scholarship for attending the course “Women’s Work” at the Inter-University Center (IUC), Dubrovnik
- August 2003 – September 2003: OSF Fellowship, Bucharest for working at the Institute for Public Policy
- September 2002 – June 2003: CEU Full Fellowship for MA studies

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- September 2000 – June 2001: Open Society Institute, New York, Undergraduate Exchange Program for one academic year at Kalamazoo College, Michigan, USA
- October 1998 – August 2000: Merit scholarship (monthly) of the National School for Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

Publications:

In English

- “Communist Women Speaking Internationally: A Revision of the ‘East’/‘West’ Divide?” in Marlen Bidwell-Steiner, Karin S. Wozonig (ed.): "A Canon of Our Own?". Kanonkritik und Kanonbildung in den Gender Studies. Wien, Innsbruck: Studienverlag 2006 (=Gendered Subjects III)
- “Eugenia de Reuss Ianculescu” In Francisca de Haan, Krassimira Daskalova, and Anna Loutfi (eds.), *A Biographical Dictionary of Women’s Movements and Feminisms in Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe, 19th and 20th centuries* (Budapest and New York: CEU Press, 2006)
- “The Socialist Project for Gender (In)Equality: A Critical Discussion” in *Journal for the Study of Religions and Ideologies*, no.6, Winter 2003

In Romanian

- “Female Bodies, Masculine Power: A Case Study of the Adoption of Anti-abortion Legislation in Communist Romania (1966)” in Oana Baluta (ed.), *Gen si putere [Gender and power]*, Iasi: Polirom, 2006
- “Minorities’ political representation in the 2004 local elections” in *Local Elections 2004. A Political Lesson*, Institute for Public Policy, Bucharest, 2004
- “Policy making in the field of anti-discrimination and equal opportunities for minorities and between women and men” in *Intolerance, Discrimination and Extremism – the current phenomena and their implications*, Institute for Public Policy, Bucharest, 2003.
- Co-authored with Monica Toba and Ovidiu Voicu: “Rejecting diversity: Romaphobia and homophobia” in *Intolerance, Discrimination and Authoritarianism in Romanian public opinion*, Institute for Public Policy, Bucharest, 2003
- „Dimensiuni ale patriarhatului în gândirea liberală românească, între 1848 și al doilea război mondial” [“Patriarchy in classical liberal thought in Romania, 1848 to Second World War”] in Maria Bucur and Mihaela Miroiu (eds). *Patriarhat si Emancipare [Patriarchy and Emancipation]*. Iasi: Polirom, 2002
- Translation (from English to Romanian) of Maria Bucur, *Eugenics and Modernization in Interwar Romania*, 2002 (translation published in 2005 by Polirom, Iasi, Romania)

Papers delivered:

- “Female Bodies, Masculine Power: A Case Study of the Adoption of Anti-abortion Legislation in Communist Romania (1966)” **38th Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies**, Washington, November 16-17, 2006.
- “Images of women in Romanian media before and after 1989”, **Austrian Social Forum**, Graz, June 15-17, 2006
- “Communist Women Speaking Internationally: The Involvement of Women’s Organizations in State Socialist Hungary and Romania in International Women’s Activism, 1965-1985”, at the **European Social Science History Conference**, Amsterdam, March 22-25, 2006
(Abstract available <http://www2.iisg.nl/esshc/programme.asp?selyear=8&pap=3493>)
- “Contradictory (Feminist?) Locations: Revisiting the ‘East’/ ‘West’ Divide”, at the conference **A Canon of Our Own?** Vienna, November 28-29, 2005 (Abstract available at <http://www.univie.ac.at/gender/canon/>)

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- “Women’s political participation in Romania: towards better policies for equal opportunities” at the conference **Feminist Policies**, National School for Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, July 2003

References:

Osnat Lubrani, Regional Program Director, UNIFEM CEE, Bratislava

Isabela Mihalache, Senior Program Manager, Roma Participation Program, OSI

Eva Fodor, Associate Professor, Department of Gender Studies, CEU

Violeta Alexandru (Bau), Director, Institute for Public Policy, Bucharest