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### WORK EXPERIENCE

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#### English teacher

*Middle School "Septimiu Albini" Cut* [ 07/10/2018 - 30/08/2019 ]

Address: Sebes (Romania)

#### Journal Editor Assistant

*"1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia* [ 30/06/2019 - 30/08/2019 ]

Address: Alba Iulia (Romania)

#### English teacher

*Middle School Sasciori* [ 31/08/2019 - 31/03/2020 ]

Address: Sebes (Romania)

#### Journal copy editor

*Swedish Journal of Romanian Studies* [ 01/01/2022 - Current ]

1. reviewing articles in English

#### English-Romanian teacher

*"1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia* [ 01/10/2020 - Current ]

City: Alba Iulia

Country: Romania

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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#### High School Diploma

*National College "Lucian Blaga", Sebes* [ 2011 - 2015 ]

Address: Sebes (Romania)

- English
- Digital skills

#### Bachelor Degree

*Faculty of Letters, "Babeş-Bolyai" University, Cluj-Napoca* [ 2015 - 2018 ]

Address: Cluj-Napoca (Romania)

-during these three years I have studied English and Romanian language, literature, culture, the domain being language and literature, being specialized mainly in English studies.

Main skills developed:

- written and oral communication in English at Advanced level
- the ability to analyse and synthesize
- the ability to organize and plan
- the ability to use in a practical way everything learnt
- the ability to work within a team and to adapt to the learning environment
- the ability to communicate efficiently with colleagues

## **M.A student**

*"1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia* [ 14/10/2018 – 06/07/2020 ]

Address: Alba Iulia (Romania)

English Language, literature and culture in European context

## **PhD student**

*"1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia* [ 2020 – Current ]

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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Mother tongue(s): **Romanian**

Other language(s):

**English**

LISTENING C2 READING C2 WRITING C2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION C2 SPOKEN INTERACTION C2

## **DIGITAL SKILLS**

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Microsoft Word / Microsoft Excel / Microsoft Powerpoint / Teams / Skype

## **ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS**

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### **Organisational skills**

-I have developed my organisational skills more as a student. I worked as a volunteer in a primary school in Cluj-Napoca. I had the responsibility of maintaining the order, helping the children doing their homework and coming with creative/engaging activities/games for them.

-I had to learn being a real leader during my teaching practice. I managed to organize children belonging to different age-groups, to be understood by them and to involve them in various learning activities. All those activities developed my managerial skills. I have obtained a diploma that certifies the efficiency of my training.

## **COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS**

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### **Communication and interpersonal skills**

-I am a sociable person. I can interact with people having no problems when talking about creating connections. This aspect had been proved during the volunteering activities developed as a student. During high school I managed along with some classmates to attend a dance contest. The activity was charitable: we were trying to help homeless children. We succeeded in being a real team, to trust each other and to talk to each other about anything. The result was the fact that we won the first place.

-I was also part of a great project: Making our world green. I took part as a volunteer in this action of planting trees. I managed to get to know many people and to cooperate successfully with my working group.

## **JOB-RELATED SKILLS**

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### **Job-related skills**

-as a real teacher I have learnt to find solutions to any unexpected issue and to maintain a balance

-I have been creating real useful activities for children, engaging more and more students in the process of learning a foreign language

-good planner of real tasks



## OTHER SKILLS

### Other skills

Volunteering: I was a volunteer within a community entitled Thesaurus. There I have worked with children. Therefore, the experience helped me to develop my communication skills and to get to know how to act in a dead end situation.

Conferences (attendance):

-2017: I attended a conference entitled "English for 21st century skills" . It lasted three days. During these days I had the chance to discover many interesting and educational workshops. My certificate of attendance mentions the skills developed due to this training session: learning skills: critical thinking, creativity, cooperation, communication; digital skills: technology of information and communication, media education; life skills: social, civic and academic abilities

-may 2018: Tedx conference that took place in Cluj-Napoca. The theme was "Mind the Gap". This session made me discover the latest tools regarding 21st century technologies, jobs and tendencies. I have understood better the actual society and I have learnt to trust my own abilities and to act in order to change things because the environment is very important for a healthy evolution.

Specialized domain training: -I had the chance to see, as third year student, how the Cluj county Prefect's office is organized. I have received a certificate that proves the knowledge acquired.

-January 2019: I attended Super Teach Conference in Alba Iulia. The theme was "inspiration for education". I met colleagues, teachers with much more experience in this field and I discovered how the real school system functions worldwide. I took part in various workshop trainings that enriched my experience. I learnt new ways of approaching teaching and I listened to a variety of speeches about education, change and shaping mentalities.

-October 2020: Gateway to ELT training session. During this session I discovered more about the English Language Teaching process. The value of this training was increased by the fact that it was held by a native, specialized trainer, Lawrence Mamas.

-February 2020: Research methodology and practice as a M.A student. I have been engaged in practical activities related to researching: writing articles, checking journal publications, publishing personal analysis, learning about different citation styles.

### Academic skills

[ 2020 – Current ]

Courses (specialized topics/fields)

-11 January 2023-22 March 2023: I completed the online course entitled *Critical Reading* (taught by Jenn Dunn, Department of Continuing Education, University of Oxford). Throughout this course we were introduced to some key concepts regarding criticism and theory. I acquired skills of close critical analysis of literary texts (namely texts from the 19th and 20th century fiction).

-11 December 2022: I attended the online conference entitled *Languages of Love in the Waves (1931)* hosted by Ellie Mitchell (Literature Cambridge, an independent educational organization providing top quality courses on literature in English). At this conference I had the opportunity to listen to many scholars that wrote books about Virginia Woolf and studied her work for many years. I discovered the latest books and approaches related to this author's writings.

-8, 15 April 2023: I attended the online course entitled *On the Persona* hosted by Jungian analyst David Pressault ([Ontario Association of Jungian Analysts](#)). The course objectives were to define and understand the concept of *Persona* as defined by Carl Gustav Jung, to distinguish between certain aspects related to this concept, and to relate it to the whole personality.

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Beyond the story of "The Happy Prince"**

[2019]

SCIENCE DRIVE – 2019. STEPS IN SCIENCE – 2019

Research paper published in SCIENCE DRIVE – 2019. STEPS IN SCIENCE – 2019 : Proceedings of the International Scientific Conference

/ Ministry of science and higher education of the Russian Federation, P. G. Demidov Yaroslavl State University, Ch. Ed. N. N. Kasatkina. – Yaroslavl : Filigree, 2019. – 228 p. – English language.

ISBN 978-5-6043198-3-3

### **Teaching methods-an experimental research**

[2020]

Buletinul Sesiunii Studenților și Masteranzilor Filologi Nr. 5/2020.

Reference to my article:

Bucur, B. M. (2020). Teaching methods-an experimental research. Buletinul Sesiunii Studenților și Masteranzilor Filologi Nr. 5/2020.

### **THE PLIGHT OF WOMEN AT THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY REPRESENTED IN WRITING "THE YELLOW WALL-PAPER" BY CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN (STETSON)**

[2020]

Journal of Romanian Literary Studies (JRLS), NO. 23/2020

Reference to my work:

Bucur, B. M. (2020). THE PLIGHT OF WOMEN AT THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY REPRESENTED IN WRITING "THE YELLOW WALL-PAPER" BY CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN (STETSON). In Journal of Romanian Literary Studies (JRLS), NO. 23/2020.

### **SURREALISM IN LITERATURE-MOOD INDIGO BY BORIS VIAN**

[2020]

Journal of Romanian Literary Studies (JRLS), NO. 23/2020

Reference to my work:

Bucur, B. M. (2020). SURREALISM IN LITERATURE-MOOD INDIGO BY BORIS VIAN. In Journal of Romanian Literary Studies (JRLS), NO. 23/2020.

### **The concept of bovarism illustrated by a postmodern prototype: Gheorghe Crăciun's Pupa Russa**

[2021]

Swedish Journal of Romanian Studies (SJRS), Vol. 4, No. 1 (2021).

Reference to my work:

Bucur, B. M. (2021). The concept of bovarism illustrated by a postmodern prototype: Gheorghe Crăciun's Pupa Russa. In Swedish Journal of Romanian Studies (SJRS), Vol. 4, No. 1 (2021).

### **Conceptualisations of Apps in Business Journalese**

[2022]

Bucur, B. M. (June, 2022). *Conceptualisations of Apps in Business Journalese*. In Popescu, T. *New Insights into the Mental Lexicon*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing.



## CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

### Conference on Linguistic and Intercultural Education CLIE

[ Alba Iulia (online event), 15/10/2020 – 16/10/2020 ]

Reference to my presentation:

Bucur, B. M. (16.10.2020). Conceptualizations of Metaphors about apps and Coronavirus in The Economist and The New York Times. Conference on Linguistic and Intercultural Education CLIE-2020, Alba Iulia, Romania, October 16-17, 2020.

### Discursive Forms. Memory and Identity

[ Bacău (Romania, online event), 14/04/2021 – 15/04/2021 ]

Reference to my presentation:

Bucur, B. M. (16.04.2021). Identity and otherness in "All summer in a day". Conference on Discursive Forms. Memory and Identity-2021, Bacău, Romania, April 15-16, 2021.

### Intercultural Dialogue. Between Tradition and Modernity

[ Alba Iulia (Romania, online event), 20/05/2021 – 21/05/2021 ]

Reference to my presentation:

Bucur, B. M. (22.05.2021). The Construction of the Modernist Character in Orlando: A Mutant's Biography. Conference on Intercultural Dialogue. Between Tradition and Modernity.

