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### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

- \* Comparative politics (migration, democratization, electoral behavior, extremist political parties, developing nations)
- \* International relations (security studies, conflict management, international institutions)
- \* European Politics (post communist societies, Eastern Europe, migration, voting behavior, extremist parties)

### **EDUCATION**

- Spring 2014 PhD in Political Science, Georgia State University  
Ph.D. Dissertation: "A Transformative Effect of Migration on Tolerance? Theory Building on Democratic Learning with Empirical Investigation in Romania"  
Dissertation Committee: Dr. William Downs, Dr. Charles Hankla, Dr. Henry "Chip" Carey
- 1998-2000 M.A. Political Science (summa cum laude), Georgia Southern University  
Master's Thesis: "The Influence of Security Structures on the Stability of Central Europe"
- 1994-1998 B.A. Political Science (summa cum laude)  
Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.  
Undergraduate Thesis: "European Security Redefined after Madrid NATO Summit 1997"

### **HONORS**

- 2000 MA graduate summa cum laude (GPA: 4.0), Georgia Southern University
- 2005 Student representative for faculty hiring committee Georgia State University
- 1999 One of the three graduate students from Georgia (and 30 from United States) selected by the European Union Center of the University System of Georgia in cooperation with the European Commission to participate in the study trip to Brussels 14-19 June.
- 1998 BA graduate summa cum laude (GPA: 10 out of 10) Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj Napoca, Romania.

1994- 1998 Governmental Fellowship for Outstanding Academic Performance (tuition and stipend), Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj Napoca, Romania.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Miller-Viman, Raluca and Dlynn Armstrong -Williams.** Co-editor. Forthcoming. *Basics of World Politics*. University of North Georgia Press. Dahlonega.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** Forthcoming. *The rise of modern politics*. In Raluca Viman-Miller and Dlynn Armstrong Williams (eds). *Basics of World Politics*. University of North Georgia Press. Dahlonega.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** Forthcoming. *Basic concepts, actors and influences*. In Raluca Viman-Miller and Dlynn Armstrong Williams (eds). *Basics of World Politics*. University of North Georgia Press. Dahlonega

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** forthcoming. American and Russian Geopolitical and Geostrategic Interests during WWI. In Craig Greathouse & Austin Riede (eds.) *US National Security in World War One*. University of North Georgia Press Dahlonega.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** forthcoming. Contributor. *Enciclopedia sistemelor politice europene* (The Encyclopedia of European Political Systems). Edited by Feșnic, F & Ghica, L. Bucharest: Meronia.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2017 Social and Political Intolerance in Europe: A Source of Support for Radical Parties. In Gabriela Goudenhooff and Ioan Horga (ed.) *Education, Social Values and European Integration*. Debrecen University Press, Debrecen Hungary.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca** and Darina Lepadatu. 2016. “Criza refugiaților este un test al Uniunii. Treptat, România ar putea deveni destinație pentru migranți” (Trans. The refugees crisis is a test for the Union. Gradually Romania might become the next destination for immigration) in *Foreign Policy România* nr. 51 (April/May 2016).

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2015. Migration between inclusion and exclusion: Second generation immigrants and the problem of social integration. In Cristina Matiuta (ed.), *Democratic Governance and Active Citizenship in the EU*. Lambert Academic Publishing.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2015. “Reforma Electorală: O Perspectivă de Ansamblu” (trans. Electoral reform: a general perspective) in C.A.E.S.A.R. *Opinio* nr. 1.  
<http://www.fundatiacaesar.ro/raluca-viman-miller-reforma-electoral-a-o-perspectiva-de-ansamblu/>

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2014. “De ce voteaza diaspora altfel decat tara?” (Trans. Why is diapora voting different than the country?) in *Foreign Policy România* nr. 43 (December 2014/ January 2015), 33-34.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca., & Florin Fesnic.** 2011. Migration and Political Tolerance in Romania: Evidence from an Original Survey. In Ronald King & Paul Sum (eds.), *Romania under Băsescu: Aspirations, Achievements, and Frustrations during his First Presidential Term*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca. & Florin, Fesnic.** 2010. “Determinants of Political Tolerance in Romania: Cross-National and Longitudinal Perspectives.” In Toma Burean (ed.), *Roots of Social Capital: Youth Civic Engagement and Socialization*. Cluj: Presa Universitară Clujeană.

Feşnic, F. & **Raluca Viman Miller.** 2009. Alternative Measures of Tolerance, or Tolerance v. Social Liberalism? A Cross-National Empirical Test. *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai Politica*, 54(1), 53-75.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2009. Impactul tehnologiei asupra comunicării politice în Statele Unite ale Americii. in Dan Luca (ed.) *Dilemele comunicării Uniunii Europene*. Cluj: QualMedia, 124-129.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca.** 2007. book review of “The Romanian Revolution of December 1989” by Peter Siani-Davies. *Nationalities Papers*. 35(4), 793-795.

**Miller-Viman, Raluca. & Downs, W.** 2006. “The 2004 Presidential and Parliamentary Elections in Romania”. *Electoral Studies* 25: 409-415.

**Viman, Raluca.** 1998. Inside Perspective in an Electoral campaign. *Analele Universitatii din Oradea*. Oradea University, Romania, Seria Drept, 4: 318-327.

**Viman, Raluca.** 1997. Snake's Island and Bilateral Relations with Ukraine. *Tribuna*, February.

**Viman, Raluca.** 1997. Security: The Challenge of the 21st Century. *The Seminar Book of Civic Education Project*, January.

**Viman, Raluca.** 1996. NATO-Russia-Another Cold War? *Transylvanian Messenger*. November 29. Cluj Napoca.

**Viman, Raluca.** 1996. Russia- A Risk and Instability Factor for Central and Eastern Europe. *Standard International* 2(1), 20-22.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2017- Present Assistant Professor-Tenure track at University of North Georgia multicampus  
Responsible for advising International Affairs majors with regional concentration Europe on the Dahlonega campus. Responsible for developing new courses, creating assignments, developing lectures based on assigned readings, creating examination tools. Also, expected to produce scholarly work and conference participation and participating in community building relations activities as well as departmental and university level duties.
- 2016-2017 Senior Lecturer at University of North Georgia, Dahlonega multicampus  
Same as lecturer
- 2013-2016 Lecturer at University of North Georgia, Dahlonega multicampus  
Full time lecturer responsible for developing teaching material for courses from freshman to senior level including Global Issues, Introduction to American Government, Intro to Comparative Politics, Comparative Government, Intro to European Union, Central Eastern European Politics and Politics of Western Europe. Responsible for developing new teaching material involving current events and theoretical perspectives. Developing diverse and comprehensive reading material and examination tools. Assigning, evaluating, and assisting with written assignments. Serving the department needs by participating in various committees and other activities. Fulfilling all advisement needs for Political Science majors on the Cumming campus.
- 2013 Instructor at Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, GA  
Spring and Summer semester. Teaching Comparative Politics and International Relations. Responsible for developing the course material, choosing appropriate material for reading assignments, creating exams and guiding students in the process of academic writing.
- 2011-Spring Instructor at Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.  
Teaching POLS 3450- US Foreign Policy. Responsible for developing lectures, teaching materials, additional resources for class use, assigning and evaluating writing assignments, developing tests and exams.
- 2009-2013 Political Science and History tutor, Athletic Department at Georgia State University. Responsible for advising student athletes, revisiting class material, clarifying main concepts, verifying class assignments ahead of class due dates, teaching learning and organizational skills.

- 2008-2009 Instructor at Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach, VA.  
Teaching Basics of American Government and US Government I and II. Responsible for teaching multiple sections of the two courses. Duties include developing teaching material and additional reading materials, developing lectures for both in class and on line teaching, preparing and giving examinations, assigning and evaluating written assignments.
- 2004-2008 Graduate Teaching Assistant Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.  
Teaching POLS 2401- Global Issues. Responsible for developing teaching materials, additional resources for class use, developing lectures, assigning and evaluating writing assignments, developing tests and exams.
- 2003-2004 Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA. Duties include assisting department chairperson, faculty members, or other professional staff members at university by performing research, teaching or teaching-related duties, such as teaching courses, developing teaching materials, preparing and administering examinations, and grading multiple choice examinations and written assignments.
- 1998-2000 Graduate Assistant, Center for International Studies, Georgia Southern University. Performed administrative and office support activities for multiple supervisors. Duties included fielding telephone calls, receiving and directing visitors, taking guests site seeing and touring local sites, word processing, filing, and faxing. Extensive software skills required, as well as Internet research abilities and strong communication skills. Answer any questions and communicate any needs regarding study abroad.

## **RELEVANT RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- 2017 eCore Faculty Certification Program
- 2016 Facilitating Learning Online Certification
- 2015-present Teaching Conversations Series (Center for Teaching Learning and Leadership) University of North Georgia. Cumming campus.
- 2013-2014 New Faculty Institute. University of North Georgia. (DETI)
- 2010-2013 Cobb County School district substitute teacher and standardized tests administrator.
- 2009 Qualitative and quantitative research (quasi experiment) on Romanian students at “Babes-Bolyai” University Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

- 2009 Guest lecturer, “Babes-Bolyai” University Cluj Napoca, Romania Fall 2009 “Introduction to Political Science”.
- 1997 Organizer at the 43rd North Atlantic Assembly Annual Session in Bucharest October 9-13. Responsibilities and duties included Meet and greet conference guests, translate and distribute conference materials, help maintain conference schedule.
- 1997 Internship for Documentation at the Romanian Foreign Affairs Ministry. To be used by the Georgia Southern University Model UN team representing Romania. Responsibilities and duties included gathering information regarding Romanian official UN position, inform on general foreign policy direction.
- 1996 Member and Supervisor of the research team for the "Local Elections-1996" Research Program organized by Political Science Department of Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj Napoca. Responsibilities and duties included maintain contact and interview local party members, gather information on electoral process, write reports on election outcome and observations.
- 1996 Research assistant in sociological research programs: responsibilities included data collection, interview subjects, follow up interviews, quality control on other operators, data entry, data analysis.
- 1995 Internship at the Romanian Parliament, Chamber of Deputy, Division of External Relations, Office for Political Analysis and Documentation in July. Duties included general office duties, media research in support of office’s analysis.
- 1995 Worked in two electoral campaigns in Cluj Napoca, Romania. First at the local level March-May; second at the national level September-November for the Social Democracy Party of Romania. Responsibilities and duties included creating a campaign strategy, maintain budget, schedule public appearances, media appearances, maintain daily candidate schedule.

### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Guest lecturer at the Forsyth County Public Library for the Foreign Policy Association’s Great Decision series. “*Migration and Refugees*” January 22.
- 2019 Guest lecturer *Russia & Ukraine* at the School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development at Kennesaw State University. “*The impact of Russia foreign policy on regional conflicts*” January 14.
- 2011 Invited guest speaker at the “Year of Romania” organized by Kennesaw State University, “*The political past, present and future of Romania*” March 3.
- 2010 Participant in the International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA. February 17-20.

- 2009 Guest lecturer at “Babes-Bolyai” University in Cluj Napoca, Romania for courses thought by Dr. Irina Kantor and Dr. Bogdan Radu on “The American political system and voting behavior” “A different perspective on global issues.”
- 2004 Chair of first panel “The Impact at Home” in “The Impact of the War in Iraq” symposium, organized by the Middle East Center for Peace, Culture and Development and the Department of Political Science at Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia. April 1.
- 2004 Chair of panel “Preferences, Policies, and Partisanship: The Shaping of Romanian Political Parties and the Party System” Chicago, IL. APSA 2004 Chicago.
- 1997 Participant in the "Decentralization and European Federalism" Summer School organized by Soros Foundation and University of Bucharest, Sinaia. September 23-30.
- 1997 "National Model United Nations Conference," at the invitation of Georgia Southern University. Member and counselor GSU Model United Nations team representing Romania. New York, New York. March.
- 1996 Participant at the "Youth in Contact with Democracy Seminar" organized by the Romanian foundation Youth Movement for Peace with the help of PHARE, Cluj-Napoca.
- 1996 Participant in the Political Science Seminar at Wesfalische Wilhelms University of Munster on the integration of the Central and Eastern European states into the European structures, in Bocholt and Bad Marienber, Germany. July.
- 1996 Participant in the "Barriers of the Economical Development in Romania" seminar, organized by the German Foundation "Friedrich -Naumann", the Hungarian foundation "Sztav Rt" and the Romanian foundation "Heltai", held in Cluj Napoca, April.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Russia, good neighbor, bad neighbor? The Russian foreign policy and its global partners” Regional Development at the Borders of European Union. University of Oradea. November 5-8, 2019.

“Russian Foreign policy and Regional Interests”. National Identity in the Geopolitical Context of Eastern Europe. University of Oradea. Erasmus Plus. May 23, 2019.

“Migration and the Problem of Social Integration”, Georgia Political Science Association (GPSA), Savannah, GA November 8-10, 2018.

“The Impact of Migration on Political Behavior: Europe vs. American Models” Transatlantic Studies Association, Dahlonge GA, July 9-11, 2018.

“Liberal and Illiberal Trends in Romania's Democratization” International Studies Association (ISA). San Francisco, CA, April 4-7, 2018.

Round Table: America After the “Great War”: From Minor Actor to Major Player in International Security Issues. Savannah, GA. November 2017.

“Social and Political Intolerance in Europe a Source of Support for Radical Parties” Jean Monet Conference. University of Oradea, Department of History, International Relations, Political Sciences and Communication Sciences and the Research Center on Identity and Migration Issues. Oradea, Romania, May 2017.

“Learning or Unlearning Tolerance?: Change in Social and Political Attitudes as a Result of Temporary Work Migration.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 7-10, 2016.

“Migration between inclusion and exclusion: Second generation immigrants and the problem of social integration.” University of Oradea, Department of History, International Relations, Political Sciences and Communication Sciences and the Research Center on Identity and Migration Issues. Oradea, Romania, May 21-22, 2015.

“The impact of temporary migration on levels of tolerance.” The Society for Romanian Studies Bucharest, Romania, June 17-19, 2015.

“Migration and Political Tolerance in Romania: Evidence from an Original Survey.” Raluca Viman Miller and Florin Feșnic. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 22-25, 2010.

“What Drives the Vote for the Extreme Right? Absolute vs. Relative Deprivation.” Florin Feșnic & Raluca Viman. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada, September, 3-6, 2009.

“Political Tolerance in Romania. A Comparative Perspective” in Roots of Social Capital: Youth Civic Engagement and Socialization, Organized by the Center for the Study of Democracy, Babes-Bolyai University in partnership with New Horizons Foundation, and The Partnership for Community Development, Cluj –Napoca, Romania, June 5, 2009.

“Labor Migration and Consequences for the Country of Origin in the EU” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago Illinois, April 3-6, 2008.

“Labor Migration and Political Development” in Migration and Identity in the European Union Conference, University of Oradea, Romania, November 8-9, 2007.

“European Union Integration and the Impact of the Transformation of the Romanian Parliament” in Association for the Study of Nationalities 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, New York, March 23-25, 2006.

“Political Change and the Democratization Process in Latin America and Central Eastern Europe” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington DC, September 1-4, 2005.

“A Critique of History: U.S.-Romanian Relations since World War II”, in American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, National Convention 2003, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, November 20-23, 2003.

"Reforma institutiilor Euro-Atlantice: Modele de securitate europeana", (Reforming Euro-Atlantic Institutions: Security Models of Europe), in 2nd Annual National Conference of Political Science in May 1998 at "Babes-Bolyai" University, Cluj Napoca, organized by Faculty of Political Science and Administrative Sciences.

"European Security Policy in the Perspective of Madrid 1997", in the "Romania and the Integration Process" seminar, organized by the Friedrich -Naumann Foundation and Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj Napoca, May, 1997.

"Romania-Ucraina, fata cu Insula Serpilor." (Snake's Island and the Bilateral Relations with Ukraine), in the conference "Romania's Relations with Its Neighbors from the Perspective of Euro-Atlantic Expansion," organized by the Euroatlantic Study Center from Bucharest. It was held in Bucharest, December 1996.

"Security: The Challenge of the 21st Century," at the student international conference "Facing the Future- a Proposal for Romania" organized by the Civic Education Project. The conference was held in Timisoara, December, 1996.

"Rusia-NATO: un alt razboi rece?"(NATO-Russia: Another Cold War?), at the "Russian External Politics and Its Significance for the Euro-Atlantic Security," National School of Political Science and Public Administration of Bucharest in October 1996, in Bucharest.

"Federatia Rusa, factor de risc si instabilitate in Europa Centala si de Est" (Russia- A Risk and Instability Factor for Central and Eastern Europe), Political Science Colloquium organized by the Political Science Department of "Babes-Bolyai" University in Cluj Napoca, held in Cluj Napoca, September 1996.

"The Evolution of Liberal Parties in Romania," Friedrich –Naumann Foundation Seminar, in Budapest, Hungary, October 1995. The seminar discussed transition problems of Central and Eastern Europe.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

- 2019 Erasmus Plus faculty exchange program, training module, with University of Oradea, Romania, May 20-28, 2019.
- 2019 Erasmus Plus, University of North Georgia coordinator, established link with University of Oradea, Romania.
- 2018-present Committee work *Gateway to Completion (G2C)*, state of GA level (student degree completion and retention tasked committee), head of POLS 1101 sub-committee.
- 2016-present Member in the editorial board of “Challenges of the Future” an academic journal published by the Faculty of Organization Studies, Novo Mesto, Slovenia.
- 2015-present Website Committee Society for Romanian Studies.
- 2009- 2015 Romanian Students Abroad League (USA branch), First Counselor-External Relations and Diaspora Liaison.
- 2011 The Atlanta World Showcase & International Awards, invited by the Romanian Atlanta Consulate to represent the local Romanian community. Presented image slide show, promotional and marketing material for Romanian businesses in the US, answered questions and provided details of the Romanian political system.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**POLS 2401** – *Global Issues* (**Georgia State University**: 2004 - 2008 Fall and Spring, **University of North Georgia** Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Summer 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2016- to present )

**POLS 1101** – *Intro to American Government* (as PLS 130 at **Tidewater Community College**: Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009, **University of North Georgia**: Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014)

**POLS 1101** – e-core Intro to American Government (University system of Georgia, Spring 2017 – to present)

**POLS 211** – *American Government* (**Tidewater Community College**: Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009)

**POLS 3450** – *US Foreign Policy* (**Georgia State University**: Spring 2011)

**POLS 111** – *International relations* (**Oglethorpe University**: Spring and Summer 2013)

**POLS 2301** – *Intro to Comparative Politics* (as POLS 121 at **Oglethorpe University**: Spring and Summer 2013 and **University of North Georgia**: Spring 2015, Fall 2016)

**POLS 4201** – *Comparative Government* (**University of North Georgia**: Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2020)

**POLS 4207** – *Politics of Western Europe* (**University of North Georgia**: Spring 2015, Spring 2016)

**POLS 3201** – *Intro to European Union* (**University of North Georgia**: Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

**POLS 4205** – *East European Politics* (**University of North Georgia**: Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2019)

**POLS 7100** – *Theories of Comparative Politics* (**University of North Georgia**: Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019)

**POLS 7240** – *Democratic Transitions in Central Eastern Europe* (**University of North Georgia**: Spring 2018, Spring 2020)

**POLS 4206** – *Russian Foreign Policy* (**University of North Georgia**: Spring 2018, Spring 2019)

**POLS 4590** – *Special Topics. Migration EU-ME* (**University of North Georgia**: Fall 2018)

**POLS 4480** – *Independent Study* (**University of North Georgia**: Fall 2018)

**POLS 7210** – *Special Topics. European Security Issues* (**University of North Georgia**: Spring 2019)

**Summary:**

**Introduction to American Government (1101)**

**American Government II (211)**

**Introduction to International Relations (111)**

**Introduction to Comparative Politics (2301)**

**Global Issues (2401)**

**Introduction to European Union (3201)**

**US Foreign Policy (3450)**

**Comparative Government (4201)**

**East European Politics (4205)**

**Russian Foreign Policy (4206)**

**Politics of Western Europe (4207)**

**Theories of Comparative Politics (7100)**

**Post-Communism in Central Eastern Europe (7240)**

**Migration EU-ME (4590)**

**Independent Studies (4480)**

**European Security Issues (7240)**

**Central Easter Europe and Transition to Democracy (7241)**

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

- Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint and Excel)
- SPSS

**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

- English: excellent
  - French: good
  - Hungarian: basic
- Romanian: native  
Italian: basic

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

The Society for Romanian Studies (2003 – current)  
International Studies Association (2004 – current)  
American Political Science Association (2004 – current)  
Romanian Society of Political Science (2008 – current)  
Center for the Study of Democracy (2008 – current)

**REFERENCES:**

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