

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

09/2013 – 10/2014

Central European University in Budapest , MA Program in Public Policy, Department of Public Policy
MA Thesis: „The Role of Deliberation in the Success of Activation Work Programs: The Case of Roma Employment in Slovakia“

Specialization: Equality and Social Justice (graduated with merit)

Language of instruction: English

09/2010 – 08/2012

Comenius University in Bratislava, MA (Mgr.) Program in Public Policy, Institute for Public Policy and Economics

MA Thesis: “Evaluation of Teaching Assistant Programs in Slovakia: Case study of Elementary School in Velky Krtis” (graduated with distinction)

Language of instruction: Slovak

09/2007 – 05/2010

Comenius University in Bratislava, BA Program in Political Science, Department of Political Science
BA Thesis: “Institutional Impact on the Abnormal Enrollment of Roma children in Special Elementary Schools in Slovakia” (graduated with distinction)

Language of instruction: Slovak

WORK EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)

10/2014 – Present

Slovak Governance Institute, Full-time Junior Researcher (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Main tasks in the project “**Messaging Matters 2**” (11/2015 – 02/2017):

Providing research assistance in the field of hate-speech elimination, conducting literature review on different aspects of (anti-Roma) hate-speech, evaluation of political manifestos from the social inclusion perspective (mainly in the context of Roma inclusion), news and social media monitoring, administrative support

Other tasks (10/2014 - Present): writing analytical outputs (including media articles) on various educational policies (e.g. present legislative and policy changes) and providing an expert feedback on

the revision of the National strategy for Roma inclusion in Slovakia (under the supervision of SGI's senior analysts)

Main tasks in the project **“Messaging Matters”** (10/2014 – 10/2015):

Providing research assistance in education and employment policies targeting Roma excluded communities, providing thematic analysis of media and political discourse, developing communication strategies with the purpose to communicate pro-inclusive measures to the general public more effectively, administrative support

07/2014 – 09/2014

Slovak Governance Institute, Short-term full-time intern (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Main tasks: Providing research assistance in Roma education and labor migration projects (data collection and analysis, both quantitative and qualitative), administrative support

02/2013 – 08/2013

Private teacher of Slovak language (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Main tasks: Teaching Slovak language to international students of Slovak universities

10/2012 – 12/2012

Focus Agency, (Marketing and Social Research) Short-term part-time worker (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Main tasks: Survey data processing (in Excel)

01/2012 – 06/2012

The World Bank, Short-term research assistant (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Main tasks: Providing research assistance to the World Bank team in the project „Inclusion of Marginalized Communities in the Slovak Republic“, in the section Education and Health of Roma Communities (terrain research, data collection and analysis, conducting interviews and focus groups, presentations of results and policy recommendations for various stakeholders)

10/2010 – 05/2011

Ed-corporation (Marketing Company), Intern (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Tasks: Administrative work, media monitoring, writing newsletters about legislative changes in employment protection

06/2008 – 09/2009

Milan Šimečka Foundation, (NGO), Intern, (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Tasks: Administrative work, monitoring of media outputs about the Roma minority in Slovakia, writing and disseminating newsletters about social inclusion/Roma policies and other Roma-related issues

02/2008 – 05/2008

Centre for the Research of Ethnicity and Culture (Research and Educational Institute), Intern (Bratislava, Slovakia)

Tasks: Administrative work, participation in the project “Best Practices of Minority Protection in Central Europe” for EURAC (analysis of legislative documents related to protection of minority rights in Slovakia)

PUBLISHED WORK (SELECTED)

ACADEMIC PAPERS

“Constructing Roma Students and Parents in Slovak Educational Policies”, submitted, *European Education*, special issue “Decade of Roma Inclusion: 2005 – 2015” (with Jozef Miškolci and Martina Kubánová)

OP-EDS

“Slovak Media Struggle to Bring the Whole Picture of Roma in Education”, op-ed in *Visegrad Revue* (submitted, to be published in December 2015)

“Vláda vysvetľuje segregovanie Rómov neoveriteľnými informáciami” (“The Government Proves Roma Segregation with Unverifiable Data”), op-ed in *Denník N*, June 10, 2015, also printed (with Matúš Sloboda)

Available at: <https://dennikn.sk/156057/vlada-vysvetluje-segregovanie-romov-neoveritelnymi-informaciami/>

“Testovanie 9: nie ako prijímačky” (“Testing 9: Not as an Entry Test”), op-ed in *SME (national daily)*, May 5, 2015, also printed (with Jozef Miškolci, PhD.)

Available at: <http://komentare.sme.sk/c/7822464/testovanie-9-nie-ako-prijimacky.html>

“Rovnosť neznamená rovným dielom” (“Equity Does Not Mean the Same Portion for Everyone”), op-ed in *Dobrá Škola* (Slovak journal for teachers), Vol. 4, No. 7, March 2015 (with Jozef Miškolci, PhD)

Available at: <http://www.dobraskola.com/index.php?id=1169&rocnik=6&cislo=7>

“Rómski rodičia vraj nechcú vzdelávať svoje deti. Nezmysel” (“Roma Parents Allegedly Do Not Want To Educate Their Children. A Nonsense”), op-ed in *Denník N*, January 13, 2015 (with Jozef Miškolci, PhD.)

Available at: <https://dennikn.sk/24469/romski-rodicia-vraj-nehcu-vzdelavat-svoje-deti-nezmysel/>

SUMMER SCHOOLS AND TRAININGS

09/2015

The 2015 FutureLab Europe Annual Forum: the selected participants of a year long programme 2015-2016 discussed three focal topics – Active Democracy, Equal Opportunities and European Identity during a week long annual meeting in Brussels. This youth programme is administered by European Policy Centre

Venue: Brussels, Belgium

07/2015

The Venice Academy for Human Rights: (Dis)Integration through Human Rights: Citizens, Courts and Communities: a summer school in Venice, Italy provided by European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (main lecturer: Will Kymlicka, Queen's University in Kingston, Canada)

Venue: Venice, Italy

11/2011 – 06/2012

Mediation and Conflict Resolution (8 training days), provided by Partners for Democratic Change Slovakia (PDCS)

Venue: Bratislava, Slovakia

07/2011 – 08/2011

Summer Course of Russian Language (five-week course)

Belarusian State University in Minsk

Venue: Minsk, Republic of Belarus

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2014/2015

Open Society Foundation, Think Tank Young Professional Development Program for MA Graduates (financial support 7000 USD for young professionals working as policy analysts)

2013/2014

Central European University in Budapest, Partial Tuition Scholarship for MA Study

2011

Belarusian State University in Minsk , Scholarship of the Ministry of Education of Slovakia and the Republic of Belarus for Summer School of Russian Language

2008 – 2012

Comenius University, Multiple Scholarships for Very Good Academic Records

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Slovak (native), Czech (fluent), English (fluent), Russian (intermediate)

COMPUTER SKILLS

SPSS (Beginner), Microsoft Excel (Very Good), Microsoft Word (Very Good), Microsoft PowerPoint (Very Good)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2015 – 2016

A participant of 2015 FutureLab Europe Programme (Brussels, Belgium)