CURRICULUM VITAE – February 2024

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Present Academic Position: Associate professor, Department of Theoretical Philosophy, University of Bucharest

Present Administrative position: Adviser to the Rector of the University of Bucharest for University Networks

Areas of Specialization: philosophy of language, philosophy of mathematics, early analytic (Frege, Russell), early modern (Leibniz, Newton)

Areas of Competence: logic, philosophy of science, metaphysics, epistemology, philosophy of mind, critical thinking, medical humanities

Education:

Ph.D. – University of Bucharest (2007)

M.A. – University of Bucharest (1997)

B.A. – University of Bucharest (1996)

Publications:

Books:

- (with Mihail Cernea & Alexandru Dragomir) Concurs de admitere la INM și Magistratură 2016. Proba 2. Verificarea raționamentului logic, C.H.Beck, 2017
- Six Fregean studies (in Romanian), University of Bucharest Publishing House, 2015
- Concurs de admitere la INM şi Magistratură 2015. Proba 2. Verificarea raţionamentului logic, C.H.Beck, 2016
- Concurs de admitere la INM şi Magistratură 2015. Proba 2. Verificarea raționamentului logic, C.H.Beck, 2015
- Concurs de admitere la INM şi Magistratură 2014. Proba 2. Verificarea raționamentului logic, C.H.Beck, 2014
- Concurs de admitere la INM şi Magistratură 2013. Proba 2. Verificarea raţionamentului logic, C.H.Beck, 2013
- (with D. Stefanescu & A. Miroiu) *Logică și Argumentare*, Humanitas, 2004

Edited volumes:

- Early Analytic Philosophy. New Perspectives on the Tradition (Editor), in "The Western Ontario Series in Philosophy of Science", Springer, 2016
- *Meaning and Truth*, Co-editor with Mircea Dumitru, ProUniversitaria Publishing House, 2015
- Special issue on Frege *History and Philosophy of Logic 34(3)*, Taylor & Francis, 2013

Chapters in volumes or *Proceedings*:

• "Is Frege's *Sinn* identical with Russell's *Denoting Concept?*", *Meaning and Truth*, Editura ProUniversitaria, 2015, pp. 37-50

- "Despre principiul leibnizian al continuității" Metafizică și Știință, *Festschrift* in honour of Prof. Ilie Parvu, edited by Mircea Dumitru, Mircea Flonta and Valentin Mureșan, Editura Universității din București, 2012, pp. 125-136
- "Leibniz on Void and Matter", *Vanishing Matter and the Laws of Motion*, vol. 13 in Routledge Studies in Seventeenth-Century Philosophy, edited by Dana Jalobeanu and Peter R. Anstey, Routledge, 2011, pp. 213-234
- "Leibniz on the Lack of Void and Infinitely Decomposable Matter" Edited by: Herbert Breger, Jürgen Herbst şi Sven Erdner, 3 volumes of the International Congress *Leibniz Natur und Subjekt 2011*, pp. 186-191
- "Mathematical intuition", *Knowledge and Action within the Knowledge Based Society*. *Epistemology*, edited by Teodor Dima and Dan Sambotin, Institutul European, 2011, pp. 275-281
- "Mathematics and the (knowledge based-)society" *Proceedings* volume of the international conference *The Limits of the Knowledge Society*, Iaşi, 6-9 October 2010;
- "Societatea bazată pe cunoașterea matematică" *Managementul cunoașterii.Teme actuale*, edited byConstantin Stoenescu, Bucharest University Press, 2010, pp. 117-122
- "Mathematics and Biology. Applicability and Predictability", *Rationality and Evolution*. *Philosophical Investigations of Complexity*, L. Staicu (ed.), Bucharest University Press, 2009, pp. 225-51
- "Leibniz and Clarke. Physics, Metaphysics and Mathematics", *New Europe College Yearbook 2006-2007*, I. Vainovski-Mihai (Ed.), New Europe College, 2009, pp. 97-127
- Is really David Lewis a Realist?", Ontology Studies/Cuadernos de Ontologia, Nr. 8, San Sebastian, Spain, 2008, pp. 127-138
- "Proper names: Mill, Russell and Frege", *Proceedings of the International Conference 'John Stuart Mill. 1806-2006, University of Bucharest, November 3rd-4th, 2006, University of Bucharest Press, 2007, pp. 291-311*
- "T. Campanella- La Città del Sole", *Dictionary of fundamental political works*, edited by Laurentiu Stefan-Scarlat, Humanitas, 2000; pp. 68-76

Papers:

- "Frege's puzzle and arithmetical formalism. Putting things in context", *History and Philosophy of Logic*, 2013, 34(3), pp. 207-224
- "Rethinking voluntary euthanasia" (with Byron Stoyles), *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*, 2013, 38(6), pp. 674-695
- "Frege on numbers", *Transylvanian Review*, 2013, XXII (2), pp. 103-120
- "On proper names: Frege vs. Kripke", Romanian Journal of Analytic Philosophy, 2012, IV(2), pp. 78-91
- "What Mathematical Cognition could tell us about the Actual World" Elsevier *Procedia Social and behavioral Science 33*, 2012, pp.138-142
- "Frege on identity: the transition from *Begriffsschrift* to *Über Sinn und Bedeutung*", *Logos & Episteme*, III (2), 2012, pp. 297-308
- "Frege's Context Principle: its Role and Interpretation" *Logos & Episteme*, Vol I (2), 2010, pp. 287-301
- "The short long life of Russell's *denoting concepts*", *Teorema*, XXIV/3, 2005, pp. 97-113
- "Leibniz on Miracles", *Arches* Revue Internationale des Sciences Humaines, Tome 7, 2004, pp. 63-8
- "Leibniz's Constructivism", Revue Roumaine de Philosophie, 47(1-2), 2003, pp. 67-81

- "Bertrand Russell & the Theory of Denotative Concepts", *Revista de Filosofie*, XLIX, sept.-dec. 5-6, 2002, pp. 641-656
- "The New Theory of Reference. Problems and Solutions concerning Proper Names", Proceedings of *The 2nd Annual Conference on Logic and Reasoning*, July 2000, NEC Institute for Advanced Studies, Bucharest; pp. 69-81
- "Possibility by Leibniz", Krisis Journal of Philosophy, 7, 1999; pp. 101-116
- "Identity & Possible Worlds", Krisis Journal of Philosophy, 2, 1995; pp. 59-64

Presentations:

- "The Role of Critical Thinking in Clinical Medicine," *The 11th Annual Western Michigan University Medical Humanities Virtual Conference*, University of Western Michigan, September 2021
- "Fregean Aquaintance," The 9th Annual Conference of the Society for the Study of the History of Analytic Philosophy, University of Vienna, July 2021
- "Russell's Aquaintance: Logic vs. Epistemology," Bridges between epietemology and the phenomenology of understanding, University of Bucharest, Aprilie 2021
- "The Role of Philosophy for (Clinical) Medicine, especially in turbulent times," *The 10th Annual Western Michigan University Medical Humanities Virtual Conference*, University of Western Michigan, September 2020
- "Frege's Puzzle against Formalism," 10th European Congress for Analytic Philosophy (ECAP10) Section: History of Philosophy, Utrecht University, August 2020
- "Medicine and Philosophy: A Way of Life", The First International Virtual Symposium "Doctor as a Humanist," La Universidad Anahuac Mexico, First Moscow State Medical University, June 2020 [invited]
- "Truth, Post-Truth and Nothing but the Truth," University of Ehime, May 2019 [invited]
- "Fake News a rational vs. An emotional approach," (with Dragos Iliescu), University of Bucharest, March 2019 [invited]
- "Fake News a rational vs. an emotional approach," University of Bucharest, February 2019 [invited]
- "Leibniz's mathematical model for the infinite divisibility of matter", *Mathematics and Mechanics in the Newtonian Age: Historical and philosophical questions,* Seville, IMUS (Institute for Mathematics of the University of Seville), September 2017
- "Sense-acquaintance: Frege vs. Russell", 9th European Congress for Analytic Philosophy (ECAP9) Section1: Frege & Russell, Munich, August 2017
- "Frege on Kindergarten Numbers", 9th European Congress for Analytic Philosophy (ECAP9) Special Symposion: Frege and Neo-Fregeanism, Munich, August 2017
- "The geometrical roots of arithmetical cognition: Frege & Dehaene", *From basic cognition to mathematical practice*, Seville, IMUS (Institute for Mathematics of the University of Seville), September 2016
- "How Leibnizian was Leibniz, or the Reception of Leibniz through some Leibnizians like Christian Wolff", *The Xth International Leibniz Congress*, Hannover, July 2016
- "Frege on acquaintance", *The 15th Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, Helsinki, August 2015
- "The Geometric Roots of Arithmetical Cognition: Frege and Dehaene", *The Cognitive Basis of Logico-Mathematical Knowledge*, Bergen, November 2015

- "Leibniz on Void and Matter" *Natural History, Mathematics, and Metaphysics in the 17th century*, Bucharest, 26-27 May 2015
- "Truth and Meaning in Frege" *Meaning and Truth*, Bucharest, 16-17 January 2015
- "Frege's Puzzle against fictionalism" *Fictionalism. The Bucharest-Budapest Workshop in Philosophy*, Budapest, 4-5 April 2014
- "A commentary to Helen de Cruz's paper *What can animal numerical cognition tell us about mathematical realism?*", *Ethics and Explanation 2013*, Nottingham, 18-19 January 2013
- "Frege's Puzzle and Mathematical Formalism", Bucharest, 19 december 2012
- On arithmetical cognition", BCAP 2012 Bucharest Colloquium in Analytic Philosophy Philosophy of Mathematics Today, Bucharest, 1-3 June 2012
- "Aritmetică: cogniție și existentă" *AVALON* Center, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, Babeș-Bolyai University, March 2012
- "Mathematical Cognition and Stucturalism" *MCMP [Munich Center for Mathematical Philosophy]* University of Munich, München, February 2012
- "Computability and mathematical predictability in biology" *Systems and processualities*, National Defence University "Carol I", Bucharest, December 2011
- "Leibniz of infinity and matter" Rethinking Politics for the Knowledge Society, Iaşi, November December 2011
- "What can Mathematical Cognition tell us about Norms?" *Evolution and Norms:* Concepts, Models, Challenges, Bucharest, November 2011
- "What could Mathematical Cognition tell us about the Actual World" *PSIWORLD 2011 Psychology and the realities of contemporary world*, Bucharest, October 2011
- "Mathematical Cognition" Significance and Interpretation within the Knowledge Based Society, Baia Mare, October 2011
- "Mathematical Cognition and Structuralism" *Seminarul de Filosofie Teoretică* of the Philosophy Faculty, University of Bucharest, Bucharest, October 2011
- "Leibniz on the Lack of Void and Infinitely Decomposable Matter" *IX. Internationaler Leibniz-Kongress Natur und Subjekt –* Hannover, September October 2011
- "Matematică și Dumnezeu", Summer School *Stiință, Religie și Filosofie* Philosophy Faculty, University of Bucharest, September 2011
- "Mathematical cognition and its (implicit) structuralist ontological committments" Special Workshop Numerical Cognition and Mathematical Ontology of ECAP7 Milano, September 2011
- "Frege on informative identities and the introduction of his sense-reference distinction" *ECAP 7 [Seventh European Congress of Analytic Philosophy]* Milano, September 2011
- "Frege on contentful mathematics" 14th CLMPS [14th Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science], Nancy, July 2011
- "Frege on contentful arithmetic" Logicism Today, Besse-en-Chandess, June 2011
- "Frege on sense and contentful mathematics" *Bucharest Colloquium in Analytic Philosophy Frege's Philosophy of Mathematics*, Bucharest, May 2011
- "Newton and Leibniz on Miracles" ISIH 2011 *Passionate Minds: Knowledge and the Emotions in Intellectual History*, Bucharest, May 2011
- "The Infinitesimal Revolution" *The Limits of the knowledge society*, Iaşi, Octomber 2010, round table *Communicating knowledge and the birth of modern science*
- "Mathematics and the (Knowledge Based)-Society" international conference *The Limits of the knowledge society*, Iaşi, October 2010

- "Leibniz's Antibarbaric Philosophy" round table at 10th Bucharest-Princeton Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy Non Mechanical Philosophies in the 17th Century, Bran (România) June July 2010
- "Societatea bazată pe cunoașterea matematică" national conference *Managementul cunoașterii: probleme fundamentale*, Universitaty of Bucharest, June 2010
- "Frege on contentful mathematics" international conference *Bucharest Colloquium on Analytic Philosophy The Actuality of Early Analytic*, University of Bucharest, June 2010
- "Mathematics and the (Knowledge Based)-Society", *The Limits of the knowledge society*, October 2010, Iasi, Romania
- "The Infinitesimal Revolution", *The Limits of the knowledge society*, October 2010, Iasi, Romania
- "Mathematical knowledge based society", *Knowledge Management Fundamental Problems*, June 2010, Bucharest, Romania
- "Frege on informative identities and contentful mathematics", Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona, Department of Philosophy, June 2009, Barcelona, Spain
- "Horror vacui. Leibniz vs. Newton", *Beyond Kuhnian paradigms: was there a scientific revolution in 17th century, after all?*, University of Bucharest New Europe College, March 2009, Bucharest, Romania
- "Leibniz on void and matter", Focus group The Research group on the foundations of European modernity-NEC, December 2008, Bucharest, Romania
- "Newton and Leibniz. Physics vs. Metaphysics", *Bucharest-Princeton Seminar*, July-August 2008, Malancrav, Romania
- "Mathematics and Biology: predictability and applicability", *Workshop on Theoretical and Methodological Fundamentals in the modeling and dynamics of complex socio-human systems*, University of Bucharest, Centre for logic, history and philosophy of science, February 2007, Bucharest, Romania
- "Leibniz' labyrinth or the mathematical analysis of the world", *Seminar New Europe College*, December 2006, Bucharest, Romania
- "Proper Names: Mill, Russell, Frege", *International Conference. John Stuart Mill 1806-2006*, University of Bucharest New Europe College, November 2006, Bucharest, Romania
- "David Lewis' ontology or how could a Nominalist be called Realist?", VII International Ontology Congress. From Plato's cave to the Internet: The real and the Virtual, October 2006, San Sebastian, Spain
- "Leibniz's intuitionism", Seminar on Early Modern Philosophy. The great instauration: science, philosophy and the reformation of knowledge in 17th century Research Centre for Foundations of Early Modern Thought (Princeton University & University of Bucharest), July 2005, Bran, Romania
- "The epistemological difficulty of Russell's theory of denoting concepts", *American Philosophical Association Eastern Division*, December 2003 / Washington, USA
- "B. Russell Theory of Knowledge (1900-1905)", *International Conference on 'Theory of Knowledge'*, Black Sea University & Romanian Academy, September 2003 / Bucharest, Romania
- "Leibniz's constructivism", 12th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, August 2003 / Oviedo, Spain
- "The Epistemological Difficulty of Russell's Theory of Denoting Concepts", *Canadian Philosophical Association*, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada
- "Leibniz's Constructivism", *Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science*, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada

- "Leibniz's Account of Infinity and His Philosophy of Mathematics", Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Mathematics, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada
- "Leibniz on Miracles", *International Philosophy Workshop on 'Constructions'*, October 2001 Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Canada
- "Leibniz on Miracles", *The 7th International Leibniz Congress*, Technical University Berlin, September 2001 / Berlin, Germany
- "The New Theory of Reference: Problems and Difficulties", *International Conference on 'Logic, Arguments and Reasoning'*, New Europe College, July 2000 / Bucharest, Romania
- "The Logic of Essentialism", 11th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, August 1999 / Krakow, Poland
- "Frege's Ontology", University of Bonn, Institute for Logic and Fundamental Research, June 1998 / Bonn, Germany
- "Observation and Theory according to Newton-Smith", Romanian Academy, October 1995 / Bucharest, Romania
- "Possible Worlds- A Critical Investigation", 10th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, August 1995 / Florence, Italy

Administrative positions:

Since January 2020 – State Advisor to the Prime-Minister for Education and Research

Since March 2017: Vice-rector of University of Bucharest

January 2017 – March 2017: Vice-dean of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest

October 2016 - January 2017: Secretary of State, Ministry of National Education and Scientific Research

July 2016 - October 2016: Advisor to the Minister of Education

March 2016 – July 2016: Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest since February 2016: Member of the Senate, University of Bucharest

August 2008 - July 2016: Head of the Department of Quality Management, University of Bucharest since May 2008: Member of the council of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest 2007- 2008: Representative of part-time instructors in the Council of Faculty of Arts, University of Western Ontario

Papers on Education & Research:

- "Assuring Quality based on the Assessment of Lerning Outcomes" *Proceedings* volume of the international conference *INTED 2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Coneference)*, Valencia, March 2011
- "The Ivory Tower Symptom" *Proceedings* volume of the international conference *INTED* 2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Coneference), Valencia, March 2011
- "The critical role of universities" *Proceedings* volume of the international conference *ICERI 2010 (International Conference of Education. Research and Innovation)*, Madrid, November 2010
- "The role of mathematics in the knowledge based-society" *Proceedings* volume of the international conference *ICERI 2010 (International Conference of Education. Research and Innovation)*, Madrid, November 2010

- "An Evaluation of the *Quality Assurance* Case Study: The University of Bucharest", *The proceedings volume no I of The 2nd International Conference on Institutional Strategic Quality management in Higher Education ISQM 2010*, October 2010, Sinaia, Romania, pp. 119-24
- "An Evaluation of the *Quality (Assurance) Evaluation* Case Study: The University of Bucharest", (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu), *QAR Quality Assurance Review for Higher Education*, vol. 1, no. 2, December 2009, pp. 100-7
- "Quality Management Certification A Trigger only for positive Changes in Higher Education?" (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu), *Proceedings of The 6th International Conference Management of Technological Changes, Alexandroupolis (Greece)*, September 2009, Democritus University of Thrace, Vol. II, ISBN 978-960-89832-8-1, pp. 445-449

Presentations on Education & Research:

- "STEM vs. STEAM. Don't underestimate the Arts in the Sciences. Case study: *Medical Humanities*", Interdisciplinary and intersectorial education and research in modern universities Part I, UNICA Rectors Seminar, University of Ljubljana & UNICA (University Network from the Capitals of Europe), online, February 2021[invited]
- "The impact of COVID-19 on university teaching: challenges & opportunities, eSTARS 2020 Conference *Education in the Context of Global Digitalization*, NRU HSE (National Research University Higher School of Economics) & UNICA (University Network from the Capitals of Europe), online, November 2020" [invited]
- "International Offices in Romania," An International Comparative Perspective on International Offices, DAAD Headquarter, December 2019, Bonn, Germany [invited]
- "CIVIS European University Network," ERASMUS+ in HE a step beyond mobility, University of Cluj-Napoca, October 2019, Cluj-Napoca, Romania [invited]
- "Truth, Post-Truth and Nothing but the Truth," What does it mean to be a Vice-Rector/Vice-President for Internationalization, The 1st UNICA/IAU Master Class on internationalization of Higher Education, April 2019, University of Zagreb, Croatia [invited]
- "Research vs. teaching. Living in the Ivory Tower in the learning-based society" *Experience and Explanation in Knowledge Society*, Baia Mare, 14-17 March 2013
- "Assessing Learning Outcomes: an internal perspective" Development of Tools to strengthen Quality Assurance of Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes in Higher Education, January 2011, Hague, Holland [invited]
- "Assuring Quality based on the Assessment of Lerning Outcomes" INTED 2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Coneference), March 2011, Valencia, Spain
- "The Ivory Tower Symptom" INTED 2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Coneference), March 2011, Valencia, Spain
- "The role of mathematics in the knowledge based-society" *ICERI 2010 (International Conference of Education. Research and Innovation)*, November 2010, Madrid, Spain
- "The critical role of universities" *ICERI 2010 (International Conference of Education. Research and Innovation)*, November 2010, Madrid, Spain
- "An Evaluation of the *Quality Assurance* Case Study: The University of Bucharest" *The* 2^{nd} *International Conference on Institutional Strategic Quality management in Higher Education ISQM 2010*, October 2010, Sinaia, Romania [invited]
- "Quality Management Certification A Trigger only for positive Changes in Higher Education?" (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu) -The 6th International Conference on

- Management of Technological Changes, Democritus University of Thrace, September 2009, Alexandroupolis, Greece
- "Quality Assurance Evaluation Process in Romanian Higher Education Institutions The Case of the University of Bucharest" (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu) *International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies EDULEARN09*, July 2009, Barcelona, Spain
- "Les politiques d'assurance qualité dans l'enseignment superior un catalyseur pour l'internationalisation des universités" (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu) 6th *International Conference on Internationalization of Quality Assurance, Acreditation and Management of Higher Education*, June 2009, Galati, Romania

Awards:

• 2003 nominated for Graduate Student Teaching Award (UWO)

Scholarships and grants:

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- 2015-2017 Researcher in the research project UEFISCDI-CNCS (PN-RU-TE-II 2014-4-2522)
 Philosophy between Mathematical Method and Experiment: The Berlin Academy (1746-1764)
- 2013-2015 Coordinating expert of the research team no.11 (Meaning and Truth), within the research project POSDRU/159/1.5/S/133675 "Inovare si dezvoltare in structurarea si reprezentarea cunoasterii prin burse doctorale si postdoctorale"
- 2000-2013 Postgraduate Fellowship Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch with the research project *Mathematical Knowledge Based Society*
- 2012 Director of the research project CNCS-UEFISCDI (PN-II-ID-WE-2012-4-030 *Philosophy of Mathematics Today*
- 2009 Erasmus mobility grant for professors (Barcelona, Spain)
- 2006-2007 New Europe College Scholarship
- 2004-2005 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2003-2004 Ontario Graduate Scholarship + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2002-2003 Special University Scholarship + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2000-2002 President's Scholarship for Graduate Studies + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2001 Deutschen Forschungsgemeinschaft grant supporting travel costs for attending *The VIIth International Leibniz Congress*, September 10-15th, 2001 / Technical University of Berlin
- 1999 World Bank grant as visiting scholar at University of Notre Dame & University of Pittsburgh in the framework of the research project: *Understanding Complexity*
- 1997-1998 Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) scholarship at University of Bonn for the research project: *Frege's Ontology*
- 1996 TEMPUS scholarship at University of Rome, *La Sapienza*
- 1993 Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) scholarship at University of Trier (Germany) for a German language summer school

Membership in Academic and Professional Organizations:

- Member of SC, Romanian Society for Analytical Philosophy (S.R.F.A.)
- Member of SC, European Society for Analytic Philosophy (E.S.A.P.)

- Member of SC, CIVIS (*European Civic University*, part of *European Universities Initiative*)
- Member of SC, UNICA (University Network from the Capitals of Europe)
- Member, *American Philosophical Association* (A.P.A.)
- Member, Canadian Philosophical Association (C.P.A.)
- Member, Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science (C.S.H.P.S.)
- Member, Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Mathematics (C.S.H.P.M.)
- Member, Association for the Philosophy of Mathematical Practice (A.P.M.P.)
- Member, *The History of Early Analytic Philosophy Society* (H.E.A.P.S.)

SC = Steering Committee:

Languages:

- Fluent in Romanian, English, Italian and German
- Partial fluency in French and Spanish