EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/2020 - CURRENT Cluj-Napoca, Romania

DOCTORATE OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD) IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Babeș-Bolyai University, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science

10/2018 - 07/2020 Cluj-Napoca, Romania

MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING Babes-Bolyai University, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science

09/2015 - 07/2018 Cluj-Napoca, Romania

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Babes-Bolyai University, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science

WORK EXPERIENCE

■ MICROSOFT - WASHINGTON D.C., UNITED STATES

SENIOR TECHNICAL PROGRAM MANAGER - 17/03/2025 - CURRENT

I lead Al-driven solutions to enhance Microsoft's datacenter operations worldwide and scale intelligent infrastructure.

III THE WORLD BANK GROUP - WASHINGTON D.C., UNITED STATES

AI TECHNICAL LEAD - 02/08/2021 - 16/03/2025

I partnered with governments and agencies in numerous countries to deliver impactful Al-driven solutions that address critical development challenges and inform decision-making on a global scale.

III BABEŞ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY - CLUJ-NAPOCA, ROMANIA

ASSOCIATE TEACHING ASSISTANT - 28/09/2020 - 01/03/2023

I taught seminaries & laboratories in Fundamentals of Programming, Advanced Programming Methods, and Artificial Intelligence.

Ⅲ MICROSOFT – PRAGUE, CZECHIA

SOFTWARE ENGINEER - 15/02/2020 - 01/08/2021

I developed new features and improved product usability across key enterprise scenarios in Dynamics 365, including early Al-driven text and image generation capabilities leveraging ChatGPT 3.0, before ChatGPT 3.5 public release.

Ⅲ BABEŞ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT - 02/12/2019 - 14/02/2020

I researched and developed a virtual assistant solution for higher-education, enabling hands-free content access, especially useful for visually impaired students, as part of Software Engineering Research Group.

III THE WORLD BANK GROUP - WASHINGTON D.C., UNITED STATES AND REMOTE

ENGINEERING CONSULTANT – 18/07/2018 – 10/11/2019

I led the development of two enterprise applications for the Pension Administration team, modernizing services for all employees and retirees at the World Bank.

■ MHP - A PORSCHE COMPANY – CLUJ-NAPOCA, ROMANIA

SOFTWARE ENGINEER - 17/07/2017 - 01/07/2019

I contributed to the development of two core software platforms at Porsche—one supporting global dealership operations and the other optimizing vehicle option strategy planning across markets.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **ROMANIAN**

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user

PUBLICATIONS

2025

Virtual Assistants: A Review of the Next Frontier in Al Interaction

Authors: Ioana Todericiu | Journal Name: Acta Universitatis Sapientiae, Informatica | Publisher: Springer

2025

Alexa and Copilot: A Tale of Two Assistants

Authors: Ioana Todericiu, Laura Dioşan and Camelia Şerban | Journal Name: 17th International Conference on Agents and Artificial Intelligence | Volume, Issue and Pages: Volume 1, Pages 445 - 452 | Publisher: Science and Technology Publications (SciTePress)

2024

Quiz-Ifying Education: Exploring the Power of Virtual Assistants

Authors: Ioana Todericiu, Mihai Pop, Camelia Şerban and Laura Dioşan | **Journal Name**: 16th International Conference on Computer Supported Education | **Volume, Issue and Pages**: Volume 2, Pages 589 - 596 | **Publisher**: Science and Technology Publications (SciTePress)

2022

Retaining women in computer science: the good, the bad and the ugly sides

Authors: Simona Motogna, Lenuţa Alboaie, Ioana Alexandra Todericiu and Catrinel Zaharia | **Journal Name**: 3rd Workshop on Gender Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion in Software Engineering | **Volume, Issue and Pages**: Pages 35 - 42 | **Publisher**: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

2021

Students perception on the impact of their involvement in the learning process: an empirical study

Authors: Ioana Todericiu, Camelia Şerban and Andreea Vescan | **Journal Name**: 3rd International Workshop on Education through Advanced Software Engineering and Al | **Volume**, **Issue and Pages**: Pages 39 - 46 | **Publisher**: Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

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Towards Accessibility in Education through Smart Speakers. An ontology based approach.

Authors: Ioana Todericiu, Camelia Şerban and Laura Dioşan | **Journal Name**: Procedia Computer Science | **Volume, Issue and Pages**: Volume 192, Pages 883 - 892 | **Publisher**: Elsevier

2020

Alexa, What classes do I have today? The use of Artificial Intelligence via Smart Speakers in Education

Authors: Ioana Todericiu and Camelia Şerban | Journal Name: Procedia Computer Science | Volume, Issue and Pages: Volume 176, Pages 2849 - 2857 | Publisher: Elsevier