

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Valentina Ciumacenco



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**Marital Status:** Married, one child

**Sex:** F | **Date of birth:** 31/08/1981 | **Nationality:** Republic of Moldova; Romania

WORK EXPERIENCE

**November 2018 – present** Vice-Rector for International Relations

Free International University of Moldova (ULIM), 52 Vlaicu Parcalab Str, MD-2012, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, [www.ulim.md](http://www.ulim.md)

**Business or sector:** Private Higher Education

**2013-present** Director of the Centre for International Cooperation  
Free International University of Moldova

- develop, promote and implement the internationalization strategy of the university;
- drafting agreements/memoranda of understanding and coordinating the cooperation with foreign universities in the framework of bilateral agreements;
- co-ordinate and manage the University's student, teacher and researcher exchanges within different EU and non-EU programmes;
- handle and manage the recruitment process of incoming visiting professors;
- increase University's international visibility by organizing symposia, conferences and summer schools with international attendance;
- organize high-profile incoming and outgoing visits linked to the development and maintenance of international partnerships;
- represent the university in dealings with foreign partners;
- project-planning, submission of proposals, financial and administrative coordination of projects.

**2008-2013** Head of the Rector's Office  
Free International University of Moldova

- support the Rector and Vice Rectors in the preparation of strategic decisions to be made in cooperation with other university bodies;
- ensure sustained and effective multiple direction free flow of communication between the Rector's Office and the rest of the University as well as with external stakeholders;
- plan Board meeting agendas; conducting meetings in the absence of the Rector;
- arrange internal and external meetings, including conferences, and make itinerary arrangements for delegates.
- manage the Rector's strategic diary;
- provide academic and research support, including preparation and editing of speeches and seminar presentations;
- prepare correspondence and documents (including proof-reading, formatting, editing, and translating).

**2003-2008** Administrative Assistant at the Rector's Office

**Free International University of Moldova**

- assist with administrative issues as directed by the Rector or the head of the Rector's Office;
- handling all logistic arrangements for meetings, agenda preparation, compiling and sending papers, taking minutes etc.;
- arrange appointments and maintain an efficient written and electronic diary;
- deal with post, faxes, emails and telephone queries, handling any straightforward matters and prioritizing the remainder for the Rector;
- organize travel arrangements, registrations and accommodation for the Board members;
- assist in the processing of purchase orders and the receipt and recording of goods received.

**2019 – present**

Associate Professor

Free International University of Moldova, Department of Letters; Department of International Relations, Political Science and Journalism

Courses taught: Oral Translation; Business Correspondence; Diplomatic discourse, Political Communication; Intercultural Communication, Project Management.

**2009-2019**

Senior Lecturer

Free International University of Moldova, Foreign Languages and Communication Sciences Department, Germanic Philology Chair

Courses taught: Specialized Translation; Literary Translation; Oral Translation; Business Correspondence; Practical Course (English Vocabulary, Syntax, Morphology).

**2004-2009**

Assistant Lecturer

Free International University of Moldova, Foreign Languages Department, Applied Foreign Languages Chair

Courses taught: English for Special Purposes; Business English; Legal English.

**2005 – present**

Researcher

Free International University of Moldova, Institute of Philological and Intercultural Researches (ICFI)

Linguistic Field (s): Semantics; Pragmatics.

Research interests: Modality; Political Communication; Discourse Analysis; Translation Studies.

## INTERNSHIPS

**September – November 2002** The World Bank country office in Moldova

Assisting the Translation Coordinator by dealing with written translations from Romanian, Russian to English and French and vice versa.

**June – July 2002**

Moscow City Court

Oral translation from Romanian to Russian and vice versa throughout the judicial trial; written translation from Russian to Romanian of the judicial dossiers to be sent to the Ministry of Domestic Affairs from Moldova.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**2014 – 2018**

Ph.D. in Communication Sciences

Thesis title: *Modal interactions in political discourse*

State University of Moldova, Department: Journalism and Communication Sciences, Specialty: Communication and Public Relations

**September 2003 – June 2004** Master's Degree in PhilologyFree International University of Moldova  
Specialty: English language and literature**September 1999 – June 2003** Bachelor's Degree in Philology

Free International University of Moldova  
Specialty: Modern and Classical Languages

January – December 2014 Psychopedagogical Module (60 ECTS)  
Free International University of Moldova

September – December 2014 Training program on emotional intelligence as key to the development of skills (30 ECTS)  
Alicante University, Spain

### Professional Records Experience

- November 20-23, 2019 Study Visit, Tbilisi State University, Georgia (funded by the German Federal Foreign Office)
- October 21-25, 2019 Study Visit, University of Liege, Belgium ((under the EU Erasmus + Programme, KA2)
- June 2-8, 2019 Staff training mobility in the framework of the Erasmus+ with partner countries (non-EU) programme at Turiba University, Riga, Latvia
- May 20-24, 2019 Study Visit, Université Côte d'Azur, Nice, France (under the EU Erasmus + Programme, KA2)
- March 25-29, 2019 Erasmus+ Staff teaching mobility programme, „Andrei Saguna” University, Constanta, Romania
- April 14-20, 2019 Erasmus+ Staff teaching mobility programme, Afyon Kokatepe University, Turkey
- November 18-24, 2018 Staff training mobility in the framework of the Erasmus+ with partner countries (non-EU) programme at Université Polytechnique Hauts-de-France, Valenciennes
- June 18-22, 2018 The IV<sup>th</sup> International Staff Week under the Erasmus + Programme, University of Cadiz, Spain
- May 14-20, 2017 The III<sup>rd</sup> International Staff Week under the Erasmus + Programme, University of Cadiz, Spain
- May 23-27, 2016 Erasmus+ Staff training mobility during the International Staff exchange week at Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Lithuania
- April 11-15, 2016 Staff training mobility in the framework of the Erasmus+ with partner countries (non-EU) programme at John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland
- March 28-April 01, 2016 Erasmus+ Staff training mobility at Danubius University of Galati, Romania
- September 22-26, 2015 Study visit, Catholic University of Lviv, Ukraine (Erasmus Mundus Programme)
- April 14-18, 2014 Study visit, Pecs University, Hungary (Erasmus Mundus Programme)

### HONORS AND AWARDS

October 02, 2019 – Diploma of Honour, President of the Republic of Moldova

2016 – Diploma of Excellence, Rector of Free International University of Moldova

2007 – ULIM Anniversary Medal, Rector of Free International University of Moldova

### PERSONAL SKILLS

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Mother tongue(s) Romanian

Other language(s)	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Russian	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
French	B2	B2	B1	B1	B1
Spanish	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user  
 Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

**Communication skills**

Excellent verbal and written communication skills both in an office environment and with external stakeholders.  
 Experienced at giving presentations to large audiences.  
 Proven ability to work effectively and collaboratively within and across institutional boundaries, inspire commitment to excellence and teamwork, and to liaise tactfully as a member of multicultural team. Experience in various types of teams from academic, research, project teams management to national league athletics.

**Organisational / managerial skills**

Excellent organisational and prioritisation skills. As part of my activities, since 2003 I have been involved directly in planning or/and organizing meetings and events in international and multilingual contexts (either EU or non -EU) involving contacts and coordination with different actors or/and services.  
 Strong leadership skills - proven ability to establish and maintain effective working relation both as a leader or as a team member.

**Computer skills**

Proficient with Microsoft Office programmes, Outlook, Internet Explorer, PPT, Prezi presentations, Microsoft Publisher, Word Press blogging software, Graphic Design –VEGAS

**Driving licence**

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**PUBLICATIONS:** About 40 studies and scientific articles published in the Republic of Moldova, Romania, and Russia.