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**EDUCATION**

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2015	Ph.D.	The Graduate Center, CUNY: Anthropology <i>Dissertation:</i> “May God Cure You”: Contemporary Egyptian Therapeutic Landscapes between Qur’anic Healing and Psychiatry <i>Dissertation committee:</i> Talal Asad, Vincent Crapanzano, Murphy Halliburton, Sherine Hamdy
2005	M.A.	The American University in Cairo, Egypt; Sociology-Anthropology
2003	M.A.	The National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest, Romania; Anthropology
2000	B.A	University of Arts, Bucharest, Romania; Art History

**APPOINTMENTS**

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Dec 2015-Dec 2018	Postdoctoral Fellow, Michigan Society of Fellows Assistant Professor, Near Eastern Studies, University of Michigan. Ann Arbor
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**RESEARCH GRANTS**

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2011	National Science Foundation, Doctoral dissertation research grant
2011	The Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Dissertation

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	fieldwork grant
2008	The Graduate Center, CUNY, Summer reconnaissance research grant

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**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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2015-2018	Michigan Society of Fellows Postdoctoral Fellowship
2012-2015	Provost’s Office University Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
2013-2014	Dissertation Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
2007-2013	Presidential Research Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
2006-2011	Robert Gilleece Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
2006	G. Wisner Award for the best MA thesis, The American University in Cairo
2005-2006	Post-graduate Research Fellowship, The American University in Cairo
2003-2005	International Graduate Fellowship, The American University in Cairo
2000-2001	Romanian Ministry of Education research scholarship
1997	Avakian Foundation Award for Scholarly Achievement

**PUBLICATIONS**

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Refereed journal articles:

<i>in progress</i>	“Al-Wahm/Self-Illusion: Egypt, Modernity and Emergent Afflictions”
<i>in progress</i>	“The Prophets’ Practice, Practical Experience, and Modern Science: Delimiting Contemporary Epistemologies of Healing in Egypt”
2009	“Building Families across Boundaries: Kinship Practices and Household Organization in Romanian/Egyptian Mixed Marriages,” <i>Sociologie Românească</i> (Romanian Sociology), 8(3): 73–90.
2007	“Creating Families across Boundaries: A Case Study of Romanian/Egyptian Mixed Marriages,” <i>Cairo Papers in Social Sciences</i> , 2005, 28 (1).

Book chapters:

2005	“The Pawnshops of Rovinari: Informal Practices, Auto-Consumption and Circulation of Objects” (in Romanian), in Liviu Chelcea and Oana Mateescu
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(eds.), *Informal Economy in Romania: Markets, Social Practices, and State Transformations after 1989*, Bucharest: Paideia.

Other publications:

- 2013 Interview, *The Wenner-Gren Blog*, <http://blog.wennergren.org/2013/02/interview-ana-maria-vinea-and-between-the-psyche-and-the-soul/>
- 2010 “Home in Rovinari” (co-author Raluca Nagy), *Martor: Writings Lost & Found*, 15: 42-52.
- 2003 Editor of *LXXX: Anii '80 și bucureștenii* (The 1980s in Bucharest), Bucharest: Paideia.
- 2002-04 Member of the editing board of *Martor* (no.7, 8–9), Bucharest: The Museum of the Romanian Peasant.
- 2002 *Eye in Eye* (a series of 5 CD-ROMs on photographic representations of the Romanian peasant from the 19<sup>th</sup> century to the present; conceived with Ioana Popescu), Bucharest: The Museum of the Romanian Peasant.
- 2000 “Herescu House,” *Observator cultural*, no.25.

**PRESENTATIONS**

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Invited talks:

- 2006 “Gender, Household Organization and Kinship Practices in Romanian/Egyptian Mixed Marriages,” Anthropology-Sociology Unit Seminar, *The American University in Cairo*

Conference presentations:

- 2015 “ ‘The Person Who Has Strong Faith Does Not Get Depression’: Debating Mental Disorders in Contemporary Egypt between Psychiatry and Islamic Healing,” *The Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*
- 2015 “The Prophet’s Practice and Modern Science: Constructing and Contesting Healing Authority in Contemporary Egypt,” *American Anthropological Association*, 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
- 2015 “Debating the Materiality of the Word of God in Contemporary Egypt,” *Material*

*Religion: Embodiment, Materiality, Technology, Duke University*

- 2014 “Drinking the Word of God: Qur’anic Healing and the Authority of Modern Science in Contemporary Egypt,” *American Anthropological Association, 113<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*
- 2014 “The Prophet’s Practice and Modern Science: Delimiting Contemporary Egyptian Epistemologies of Healing,” *Ways of Knowing, Graduate Conference on Religion, Harvard Divinity School*
- 2014 “ ‘The Girl who Cries Blood’: Visualizing Possession and Debating Healing Authority in Contemporary Egypt,” *American Ethnological Society, Spring Meeting*
- 2013 “A Hair Breadth’s of Difference: On Distinguishing Mental Disorders and Jinn Afflictions in Contemporary Egypt,” *American Anthropological Association, 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*
- 2013 “Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and the Devil’s Whispers: Reconfiguring Psychiatric and Islamic Traditions in Contemporary Egypt,” *The Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*
- 2013 “Delineating Correct Therapeutic Practices: Interactions with the Jinn in Qur’anic Healing,” (De)-Centering Islam and the Question of Authenticity, *Tenth Annual Duke-UNC Islamic Studies Graduate Conference*
- 2002 “At Home in Rovinari: Social Relations and Subjective Investment in a Labor Settlement’s Houses” (co-author Raluca Nagy), *The Romanian Society of Cultural Anthropology Annual Conference*

Workshops:

- 2014 “Drinking the Word of God: Science and Revelation in Contemporary Egyptian Debates on the Qur’an as Cure,” *Workshop Delimiting Egypt: Law, Land, Bodies, CUNY-The Graduate Center, Middle East and Middle Eastern American Center*

Panels organized:

- 2015 “Traveling Knowledge: Psy-sciences in the Modern Middle East,” *The Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor on file:

- 2016 (Fall) "Madness, Medicine, and Magic in the Middle East," Near Eastern Studies Department, University of Michigan, co-taught with Jay Crisostomo
- 2016 (Winter) "Science and Society in the Modern Middle East," Near Eastern Studies Department, University of Michigan
- 2015 "Introduction to Medical Anthropology," Anthropology Department, Lehman College
- 2004-2006 Sociology teacher for IGCSE, AS, and A levels, Cambridge International Examinations Pakistan International School, Cairo, Egypt

### Guest lecturer:

- 2015 "Global History of Health and Medicine," University of Michigan
- 2012 "Ethnographic Fieldwork," American University in Cairo, Egypt
- 2012 "The Body, Illness, and Healing," American University in Cairo, Egypt
- 2011 "Religion, Ideology, and Society," American University in Cairo, Egypt
- 2008 "Arab Society" and "Religion, Ideology, and Society," American University in Cairo, Egypt
- 2008 "Religion, Ideology, and Society," American University in Cairo, Egypt

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2007-2015 Research assistant (Talal Asad), The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2009-2010, fall Research assistant, Provost's Office, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2011, 2012-2015 *Responsibilities:*
- Co-authored annual reports for the Mellon funded initiative, "Interdisciplinary Innovation in the Humanities and the Humanistic Social Sciences"
  - Organized the selection committees for Dissertation Fellowship competition
  - Gathered data and conducted research

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2006-2010	Research assistant (Katherine Verdery), The Graduate Center, CUNY.
2003-2006	Research assistant (Mona Abaza, Soraya Altorki, Nicholas Hopkins, and Saad Eddin Ibrahim), The American University in Cairo, Egypt
2001-2003	Researcher, Visual Anthropology Department, The Museum of the Romanian Peasant, Bucharest, Romania
2001	Field researcher, The Association for Urban Transition, Bucharest, Romania

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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American Anthropological Association

Middle East Studies Association

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## LANGUAGES

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Romanian: native

English: reading, speaking, writing-fluent

French: reading-fluent, speaking and writing-excellent

Arabic:

- Egyptian dialect: speaking-very good
- Modern Standard Arabic: reading and writing-good