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### **EDUCATION**

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

October 2021 - Present

Transilvania University of Brasov

Lectured to undergraduate students.

Organized and delivered course material for the seminar "World Economy and

Geography"

Organized and delivered course material for the seminar "Tehnici și Operațiuni de

Comert Exterior"

Organized and delivered course material for the seminar "Politici și strategii

Internaționale pentru dezvoltare durabilă"

May 2018 - Present Taste Culinary Business Academy -- Research Methods Lecturer

Lectured "Research Methods" course providing extensive knowledge on the quantitative

and qualitative data collection and analysis.

Lectured to undergraduate students

Develop and deliver resources and teaching materials to meet course frameworks

Supervised BA and MSc Dissertation papers.

Coordinated the admission process for American Hotel Academy and Taste Culinary

**Business Academy** 

June 2011 - Present

American Hotel Academy - Lecturer

Program and Course Developer: Food and Beverage Service, Food and Beverage

Management, Hospitality Today Lectured to undergraduate students

Develop and deliver resources and teaching materials to meet course frameworks and

learning resources to meet course framework and learning outcomes.

Supervised Dissertation papers.

Coordinated the admission process for American Hotel Academy and Taste Culinary

**Business Academy** 

#### PAPERS PRESENTED

May 2018

Ţurcaş, I. and Enache, I. (2018) The wine list optimization – a customer behavior perspective. Paper presented at BIOATLAS International Conference, Sibiu, Romania.

November 2019

Ţurcaş, I. and Enache, I. (2019) The impact of customer behavior on wine list

management. Paper presented at the EuroCHRIE, International Conference, Dublin,

Ireland

May 2021

Turcas, I. (2021) Cartografierea hărții clientului – valoare în industria vinului? Poster

Presented at AFCO, Brasov

May 2022

Musa, B., A., Grigoroiu, M. and Țurcaș, I. (2022) Alumni Insert, îmbunătățirea relației

Universității Transilvania din Brașov cu absolvenții săi prin digitalizarea activităților

specifice - Proiect "Fii in Centru"

March 2023

Ion, S., Turcas, I., Musa, B., A., and Tescasiu, B. (2023) The Role of Romanian Startup Hubs – a Bridge between a business idea and the Reality of the economic sector. Paper Presented at the 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Business Excellence Rethinking business:

Sustainable leadership in a VUCA world

May 2023

Draghici, S., I., Turcas, I., Tescasiu, B., and Musa, B., A. (2023) An evaluation of the impact of new sustainable cities and Communities' policies on the Brasov Area's hospitality

and service businesses. Paper presented at International Economic Conference, Sibiu

May 2023

Turcas, I. (2023) Romanian Traditional Food -a Tool to Increase the Visibility of the

Country. Paper presented at Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Growth

## PROFESSIONAL GROWTH ACTIVITIES

**Turcas,** I. and Tescașiu, B. (2022) The importance of value creation in Marketing, Bulletin of the Transilvania University of Brasov Series V: Economic Sciences, Vol. 15(64) No. 1, 2022, <a href="https://doi.org/10.31926/but.es.2022.15.64.1.3">https://doi.org/10.31926/but.es.2022.15.64.1.3</a>

Tescaşiu, B., Piuaru, B. A., Grigoroiu, M. C. and **Țurcaș**, I. (2022) Graduates and employability –quantitative research at the tertiary level", Journal of Smart Economic Growth, Vol 7 No 3 (2022), 63-57.

Turcas, I., Popa, D., Maican, C., Muşa (Piuaru), B.A., & Grigoroiu, M.C. (2023). Universities are in the process of co-working with the labor market. Amazonia Investiga, 12(63), 330-340. https://doi.org/10.34069/A1/2023.63.03.31

Chiroiu, M. I., Țurcaș, I. and Tescașiu, B. (2023) Do women in the hotel industry from Romania have equal chances as men in their career" progression? Proceedings of International Scientific Conference, ISSD 2023, X Edition, Information Society and Sustainable Development, April 27-28, La Valletta, Malta, 176-183

Mirza, H. and Ţurcaş, I. (2023) The wine tourism in Romania – a customer behavior perspective, în curs de publicare în Analele Universității "Dunărea de Jos" din Galați Fascicola I. Economie și Informatică Aplicată, Print ISSN 1584-0409

Şerbănescu, I., M., **Țurcaș**, **I.** and Tescașiu, B. (2023) Factors Influencing the Consumption of organic coffee and the Level of Ethical Consumerism" în curs de publicare în Book of Proceedings (indexed by Springer) of the Conference: Modern Trends in Business, Hospitality, and Tourism, 3rd Edition.

Ţurcaş, I. (2019) Wine list as a marketing tool used by restaurants in Romania. Lambert Academic Publishing, ISBN-13: 978-620-0-22864-2

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# June 2021 MSc International Tourism and Hospitality Business Management Program Leader

Organize and prioritize all academic aspects related to the program.

Understand, monitor, and comply with the academic rigorousness imposed by

Manchester Metropolitan University, as a partner

Initiate contact with future international lecturers for providing the best teaching for all students.

Constantly measure success for both the program and for student

Design, implement, and evaluate the transformational experience for lecturers and students.

# May 2018 – June 2021 Taste Culinary Business Academy Program Leader

Oversee the academic and business aspect of the Academy

Participate in the development of internal and external partnerships to disseminate information, share best practices, establish opportunities for collaborative work, and enhance the reputation of the academy.

Overall responsibility for program development, implementation, reporting, and program risk management. Integrating and ongoing management of effective monitoring and evaluation framework into program design Exploring innovative solutions and thinking creatively to identify opportunities and maximize the impact of the academy on the student experience.

Conceiving and controlling the budget for each academic year ensuring all aspects are fully covered and professionally managed.

Contributing to Taste Business Academy's strategic planning and organizational tasks

Recruiting lecturers for all academic years, designing contracts, and elaborating induction meetings with all collaborative partners, to expand the academic teams

Communicating with Taste students regarding academic issues and concerns.

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June 2020 – present American Hotel Academy, Taste Business Academy - Dissertation Coordinator

Responsible for overseeing the dissertation process for all students enrolled in the last academic year Organize, communicate, assign, and monitor dissertation supervisors.

Formulate and evaluate relevant topics for all students

Constant communication with students regarding dissertation information/issues

Conduct seminars for both supervisors and students.

Guide students for ensuring a high-quality dissertation paper.

Communicate with Manchester Metropolitan University

Extensive SPSS knowledge

Market research consultant

Qualitative data analyst

January 2010-January 2011 "Due" Restaurant, New York Assistant Manager

Responsible for cost containment through the proper use, handling, and maintenance of records, reports, records, supplies, and equipment.

Ensured that the revenue targets set by the restaurant are achieved and exceeded through sales techniques, up-selling, suggestive selling, cross-selling, and at the same time keeping the cost levels within the limits set by the Restaurant Manager.

#### Special achievements

Mentored, developed, and provided on-the-job training to recruits to improve their current performance allowing them to gain skills and abilities for future advancement.

Inspired and built a solid team of efficient and customer-driven staff.

June 1998 – 2008 "Carnival Cruise Lines" – Miami, Florida Restaurant team Headwaiters

Provided excellent wine and food service and developed tactics to ensure guest satisfaction.

Led the wait staff to work their shifts.

Trained new restaurant servers, assigned opening, and closing duties monitored them through the completion.

#### Special achievements

Developed and managed shipboard weddings, destination weddings, and renewal of marriage vows.

Oversaw the "bon voyage" operations (delivering pre-ordered gifts to the guest's staterooms)

Dealt with high-profile clients.

Participated in crowd management meetings involving problem-solving and decision-making in case of emergency on board the ships.

Attended a comprehensive wine and food pairing course in Napa Valley, California.

Developed a new understanding regarding service recovery management.

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