



*Curriculum vitae*

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**ACADEMIC AFFILIATION**

- Associated professor, Department of Sociology, Vytautas Magnus university (VMU).
- Senior researcher, Social Research Center, Magnus university (VMU).

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**ACADEMIC TITLES / EDUCATION ACHIEVED**

- Doctoral degree in Social Sciences (Sociology), Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania, 2008. Doctoral dissertation „Networking Governance in Local Community“.
- MA in Sociology, Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania, 2003.
- BA in Ethnology, Vytautas Magnus university, Kaunas, Lithuania, 2001.
- Certificate in Sociology, Vytautas Magnus university, Kaunas, Lithuania, 2001.

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Social policy on local level
- Democratization and democratic forms in municipalities (decentralization, local governance, civic participation)
- Local community development
- Economic sociology

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Associated professor, Vytautas Magnus university, Kaunas, Lithuania, from 2015 – by now.
- Lecturer, Vytautas Magnus university, Kaunas, Lithuania, 2008 –2015.
- Lecturer, Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania, 2008-2012.
- Project manager, expert, Lithuanian Regional Research Institute, from 2004 – by now.

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**COURSE DESIGNED AND TAUGHT**

- Economic sociology (BA)
- Social change (BA)
- Poverty, social exclusion and social policy (BA)
- Sociology and anthropology (BA)
- Civic society sociology (MA)
- Problems of modern economic sociology (MA)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (LAST 5 YEARS)

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- In 2014-2016 national research team leader of research Network POLLEADER (European Political Leader Research) (coordinator: Florence University, Italy).
- In 2015 -2017 research team leader of project “Mayors in Lithuania: Political Leadership in Local Government” (No. MIP-031/2015, Lithuanian Council of Science), Vytautas Magnus university, Center of Social Research.
- In 2015 -2018 national member in COST Action „Local Public Sector Reforms: An International Comparison“ (ISCH COST Action IS1207).
- In 2017-2019 research team leader of project “Intermunicipal cooperation and implementation of public services: options for network governance and public interest dilemma in Lithuania” (No. S-MIP-17-3, Lithuanian Council of Science), Vytautas Magnus university, Center of Social Research.
- Since 2017 research team leader for European Commission H2020 programme project No. H2020-SC6-REV-INEQUAL-2016 "Inequality, Urbanization and Territorial Cohesion: Developing the European Social Model of Economic Growth and Democratic Capacity" (coordinator: Aalborg university, partner: Vytautas Magnus university, Center of Social Research).
- Since 2019 national member in COST Action CA17175„Deliberative Democracy and Constitution-Making“.
- Since 2019 researcher in project „Families, Inequalities and Demographic Processes”, No. 09.3.3-LMT-K-712-01-0020, EU Structural Funds measure „ Improving the qualification of researchers in high-level R&D research“.
- Since 2019 national team associate in EU survey network „Local state society relations“(institutional coordinator: Darmstadt university, Germany).

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- ISA (International Sociological Association)
- BASEES (British Association for Slavonic and Eastern Europe Studies)
- Lithuanian Society of Sociologists, member of board.