

Curriculum Vitae



Personal data

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Professional and research interest

Major areas of research over the last few years are the politics and reforms in Albanian Education System, education under occupation, methodology of teaching science, university pedagogy, science and religion, the future of schooling and internationalization of HEIs.

Education

2016	Dr. in pedagogical sciences /Theme: "Analyse of factors that influence teacher-teacher and teacher-principle relationships at school". Dep. of Pedagogy – Psychology, University of Tirana (UT), Faculty of Social Sciences
2007, 2002	Specialization and foundation course on child protection, monitoring and rehabilitation of international civilian peace-keeping and peace-building program. Austrian Study Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Stadtschlaining, Austria
2000	Inclusion of students with special needs in public schools. University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway.
1986-1987	Diploma in pedagogy & psychology. UT, Faculty of Social Sciences, Tirana, Albania.
1979-1983	Physics Teacher for high school. UT, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Tirana, Albania.

Work experience

2020 to date	LOGOS University College
2017-2018	Founder and editor of Tirana Review of Books
2014 to date	Agent / Rights Director of Albanian Winner of The European Union Prize for Literature (2014)
2014-2017	Director, UET Press & Lector at Educational Department of European University of Tirana
2016	National Coordinator for "Kadare" Prize / European University of Tirana
2013-2014	Associated lecturer, Department of Psychology-Pedagogy, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Tirana
2007-2013	Director, UFO Press & Lector at Educational Department of Albanian University
2003-2006	Associated lecturer, Physics, Polytechnic University of Tirana
2001-2003	Project Coordinator for environment projects, Urban Integration Foundation
2002-2003	Project Coordinator for "Community Center", Selitë, Urban Integration Foundation & American Embassy
1998-1999	Member of "Developing the innovative school" core group, SOROS Foundation & Educational Ministry
1983-1987	Principal and physics teacher in different public high schools (gymnasium), Regional Education Directories of Tirana and Mirditë

Services, LOGOS University College: Different tasks for department and faculty

Projects

Time	Title, funding agency and amount	Tasks
2023, February 2025, February	"ROAMING" (Strengthening International Staff & Student Mobility Offices in the West Balkans) ERASMUS-EDU-2022-CBHE-STRAND-1 Project No. 101083070 / Amount: € 423,499	Chair of 'Managerial Committee' for ROAMING Project; leader of Work Package 1 "Project Management & Coordination" and of Work Package 3 "Development & Enhancement of IROs" for LOGOS University College.
2022, November 2024, November	"MAGNET" (Managerial and Governance Enhancement through Teaching) ERASMUS-EDU-2022-CBHE-STRAND-1. Project No. 101083006 / Amount: € 444,455	Leader of Work Package 4 "Quality Assurance" and chair of Quality Monitoring Committee of the project/ Member of Project Management & Coordination for LOGOS.
2023, November 2025, February	"HOMO DIGITALIS" (Bridging the Digital Humanities and Educational Media Divide in the West Balkans). ERASMUS-EDU-2023-CBHE-STRAND-1. Project No. 10112918 / Amount: € 397,670	Chair of 'Managerial Committee' for HOMOS DIGITALIS Project; leader of Work Package 1 "Project Management & Coordination" and of Work Package 3 "Development of academic staff & student learning competencies" for LOGOS University College.

Ongoing teaching assessment

2020 to date	Methods of teaching science, Level: Bachelor/LOGOS University College
2021 to date	Natural Sciences, Focus: Physics, Level: Bachelor /LOGOS University College
2021-2023	Methods of teaching mathematics, Level: Bachelor /LOGOS University College
2023 to date	Professional ethics, Level: Bachelor /LOGOS University College
2021 to date	Civic and Democratic Education, Level: Bachelor /LOGOS University College
2016-2017	School Management, Level: Master Professional /European University of Tirana
2013-2014	Theories of education, Level: Master Professional /University of Tirana, Faculty of Social Sciences
2011-2012	Reform and legislation in pre-university education system, Level: Master Professional /Albanian University
2011-2012	Educational systems and politics of education in Albania, Level: Master Professional /Albanian University
2003-2006	General Physics, Level: Bachelor /Polytechnic University of Tirana, Faculty of Engineering

Massive Open Online Course (MOOC)

2023-2024	Using models in teaching physics in higher education (Module, level 1), MAGNET Project.
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Teaching Mobility

2024	Erasmus+International Credit Mobility KA171. University of Patras, Greece (13.05.2024 -17.05.2024)
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Scientific Articles - journals

1. 2024, April Nathanaili, V. & Kostrista, Entela *Shall girls wearing headscarf be allowed to attend pre-university public schools?* Social Studies. Vol. 18, No. 1 (65), 2024 pp. 5-21. ISSN 2309 3455 Publisher: Albanian Institute of Sociology.
2. Nathanaili, V. & Mehmeti, Nevila & Prendi, Llambi (2023, December). Teaching in Albanian Higher Education Institutions Challenges and opportunities. Social Studies. Vol. 17, No. 4 (64). ISSN 2309 3455 Publisher: Albanian Institute of Sociology.
3. 2023, September Nathanaili, V. *Education in Albania under the Italian occupation*. International Journal of Educational Development. Volume 103, November 2023, 102896. Publisher: Elsevier <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijedudev.2023.102896>
4. 2023, August. Nathanaili, V. *Professional passive practice mentoring system in study program 'Teaching for pre-school education' in Albanian HEI-s*. European Early Childhood Education Research Journal. Publisher: Taylor & Francis <https://doi.org/10.1080/1350293X.2023.2247590>
5. 2018 Nathanaili, V. (2018) *Public and private Albanian universities: the admission process and the factors considering by students in choosing between them*. ILIRIA International Review, Vol 8, No 2 (2018). Peer Reviewed
6. 2017 Nathanaili, V. *Teacher-teacher and teacher-principal collaborations in the public schools of Albanian educational pre-university system*. ILIRIA International Review. Vol 7, No 1 (2017). Peer Reviewed
7. 2016, February Nathanaili, V. *Teacher's Influence Scale from their Colleagues and Principals. It's Relation with School Performance in Public Schools of Albanian Educational System*. The IAFOR Journal of Education. ISSN: 2187-0594 (Online) <http://iafor.org/educationjournal.html>. Peer Reviewed
8. 2015 Nathanaili, V. *School Leadership in Pre-University Albanian Education System (1995-2012): Politics, Issues and Trends*. Journal of Educational and Social Research. Vol 5, No 3 (2015). Peer Reviewed (<http://www.mcser.org/journal/index.php/jesr/article/view/7717>)
9. 2015 Nathanaili, V. *"Ringjallja e arsimit liberal"* (Reborn of liberal education). In "Social Studies" Vol. 9, No. 1, 2015, pp. 33-42. ISSN 2309-3455 (print) online 2309-3471
10. 2014 Nathanaili, V. *Rreth librit "Fugë për violine", me autor Tedi Papavrami*. Reflections on the book "Fuge per violin seul" by Tedi Papavrami. In "Academe", Journal of Albanian Academy of Arts and Science. ISSN 2226-9509. Vol. 3, No.1 – Pranverë / Spring 2014, f. 121-125.
11. 2013 Nathanaili, V. *"Lidhjet ndërmjet arsimit dhe pabarazisë: rishikuar"*. Forume publike të Akademisë së Shkencave të Shqipërisë. Editor Kosta Barjaba. Në librin me titull "Rithemelimi i mirëqenies" ("Relations between education and inequality: revisited". Public Forums of Albanian Academy of Sciences. Editor Kosta Barjaba. In the book entitled "Reestablishing well-being". ISBN 978-9928-4193-9-2 (f. 193-198). Tiranë: June, 2013.
12. 2013 Nathanaili, V. *"Space and Time in Giddens' Concept on Modernity"*. Reflections on Anthony Giddens book "The Consequences of Modernity". (Tiranë: UET Press, 2013). "Sociological Analysis" (European University of Tirana) Vol. 7, Number 1, Spring 2013 (ISSN 1097-7147) (English)
13. 2012 Nathanaili, V. *"Shkollat e shek. XXI. Faktorë që ndikojnë në formatimin e politikave arsimore"*. (The schools of c. XXI. Factors influencing the formation of educational policies" "Social Studies" (Albanian Institute of Sociology), Vol. 6, no. 3, 2012. ISSN 2309-3455 (print) online 2309-3471
14. 2012 Nathanaili, V. *"Mendime rreth projektligjit të ri "Për sistemin arsimor parauniversitar"* (Reflections about the new draft law "On the pre-university education system". Optime", No. 3. "Albanian University".

Policy papers

15. 2019 Nathanaili, V., Hafizi, M., Mullaj, T. & Dhoqina, P. *Paper with proposals for politics and actions*. Policy paper for Educational, Youth & Sports Ministry, in the ending process of consultation with teachers, professors and specialist of physics (coauthors,)
16. 2015 *Pre-university Education 2015+*. Policy paper for Educational & Sports Ministry about draft-strategy in education.

Books: textbooks

17. 2016 Nathanaili, V. Physics, X. For teacher of physics in pre-university education system. Based on the text-books of Longman Publishing House. Tiranë: 2016, Dudaj. ISBN

18. 2016 Nathanaili, V. Physics, XI. For teacher of physics in pre-university education system. Based on the text-books of Longman Publishing House. Tiranë: 2016, Dudaj. ISBN
19. 2012 Nathanaili, V. Physics, 11 (as a selected subject). For teacher of physics in pre-university education system. Tiranë: Pegi, 2012. ISBN 978-9928-162-64-9
20. 2011 Nathanaili, V. *Reform and legislation in pre-education system. Issues, practices & politics. Albanian Case*. Publisher: Albanian University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Dep. of Education, Professional master in "Management of education" UFO Press, ISBN 978-9928-127-05-1, 2011. In this book are documented some of the educational reforms in pre-university education system, their impact and dissemination; the characteristics of the teacher profession and the need for an ethical code; some cases from the European Court regarding parent vs school, as an awareness for the Albanian community of teachers and parents; some recommendation for improving the legislation in this level.

Monograph: Author

21. 2016 Nathanaili, V. *The difficult journey of Albanian school (Rruga e mundimshme e shkollës shqipe), 1912-1944*. Tiranë: UET Press, 2016 ISBN 978-9928-190-06-2. Forwarded: Prof. Aleko Minga. f. 330, 230 x 275 mm.
The book analyses the educational politics of all the Albanian Governments during 1912-1944 period. The difficulties and the challenges; how those politics has changed during the WW 2; the % of the educated population, the measures undertaken from one to another government; an important aspect of the book are the biographical sketches of some of the most influential Alb. Ministers of Education.

Books: Author

22. 2014 Nathanaili, V. *Our ambassadors. The meeting point of diplomacy with creativity (Ambasadorët tanë. Pikëtakime të diplomacisë me krijimtarinë)* Tiranë: UET Press. ISBN 978-9928-190-06-2
This book has 2 dimensions: the first is focused on the diplomacy issues, why the politic often choose the ambassadors from the cultural sector (theory, examples and interviews); the second is a collection of the biography of some of the most distinguished Albanian Ambassadors chosen from the cultural sectors, from the very first formation of the state until the actual times.
23. 2013 December. Nathanaili, V. *Education and inequality. The challenge of a different perception (Arsim dhe pabarazi. Sfidë e perceptimit ndryshe.)* UET Press, 2012. ISBN 978-9928-4193-3-0.
24. 2010 Nathanaili, V. *Albania Rock: Political documents, European Zone of Higher Education*. Tirana: UFO Press. ISBN 978-99956-19-61-9

Books: Co-author, editor, contributor

25. 2021 CoAuthors: Valbona Nathanaili, Martha Nussbaum, Steve Fuller. *Liberal Education*. Tiranë: "Henrietta Leavitt" Foundation.
26. 2019 Nathanaili, V. (Ed.) *Commercialisation of schooling. Anthology (Komericializimi i shkollimit. Antologji)* ISBN 978 9928 4543 3 1 (272 pages). The book is a collection of essays and articles, focusing in different aspects of the commercialisation of schooling and how the neoliberal principles of the market are changing the schooling. The authors of the essays are selected for their focus on these important issues. Steve Fuller, Randall Curren, J. C. Blokhui, Colin Crouch, Gary Anderson, Valbona Nathanaili, Michael I. Cohen, et al.
27. 2015 *Pre-university Education, 2015 + (Arsim parauniversitar 2015+)*. Tomi Treska, Ylljet Aliçka, Edi Puka, Valbona Nathanaili, Mateo Spaho. UET Press. ISBN 978-9928-190-34-5.
28. 2013 *Re-establishing well-being*. Editor Kosta Barjaba. Public forums of Academy of Science. Contributor: "The relationship between education and inequality. Revisited". ISBN 978-9928-4193-9-2 (f. 193-198). Tiranë: 2013.
29. 2012 *Parts from the history of education (Copëza nga historiku i arsimit)*. Në disa rrethe të vendit). Edited: Valbona Nathanaili Tiranë: AU Press. ISBN 978-99928-127-22-8
30. 2001 Nathanaili, V. *Toward the physics exam (Drejt provimit të fizikës)* For students of upper middle school. Tirana: Erik, 142 faqe.

Participation in International and National Scientific Conferences (with paper)

15. 2024, May 29-June 1 Nathanaili, V. *"Analyzing poor academic performance of Albanian pupils in PISA"*. ATEE Spring Conference 2024 "Teacher education research in Europe: trends, challenges, practices and perspectives", organised by: Dipartimento di Scienze Umane e Sociali, University of Bergamo; CQIIA - Centro per la Qualità dell'Insegnamento, dell'Innovazione didattica e dell'Apprendimento; ATEE – Association for Teacher Education in Europe
16. 2024, April 11-12. Nathanaili, V. *"The use of MOOCs in University Teaching and Learning. Case study Constructing a MOOC course for teaching physics in higher education"*. Ditët e Studimeve Shqiptare. Living in a technological area. 11-12 Prill 2024. Organiser: European University of Tirana (EUT)
17. 2022, April 28 Nathanaili, V. *"The need to re-evaluate the passive professional practice in the study program "Teacher for Preschool Education"*. University College Logos. Scientific Symposium "Challenges and problems in education" organised by University College Logos. Book of Proceedings. ISBN 978-9928-4594-9-7
18. 2019, June 10 Nathanaili, V. *Even it is break, doesn't mean that need commercialisation. Lessons for Kosova from Albania Case in Education*. In: International Scientific Conference "Kosova 20 years of Freedom and Efforts". Organised by University of Prishtina, Faculty of Philosophy, in cooperation with Institute of Albanology – Prishtinë, Kosova.
19. 2017, November 17-18 Nathanaili, V. *"The scale of teacher's involvement in professional networks"*. International Conference "Good Society – A Multidimensional Approach".
20. 2017, April 6-7 Nathanaili, V. *"Teacher-teacher and teacher-principal collaborations in the public schools of Albanian educational pre-university system"* 3rd LSEE Research Network Conference on Social Cohesion in South East Europe organised by the LSE Research on South Eastern Europe (LSEE) at the London School of Economics in cooperation with the National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia (NBRM) and the University American College Skopje (UACS), Skopje, Macedonia.

21. 2017, January, Nathanaili, V. & Subashi, A. "*Regjistrimet e kandidatëve për studentë në institucionet e arsimit të lartë (LAL) - sfida të vjetra dhe nevoja për një qasje tjetër filozofike*" ("Enrollment of student candidates in higher education institutions (HEIs) - challenges and the need for a different philosophical approach"). Conference of Rectors, January 2017. Organised by the network of Albanian Universities.
22. 2015, Septemehr 4-8. Nathanaili, V. "*School-Site Accountability: the language used in schools*". 6th International Conference, Bulgaria. Organized by Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Union of Scientists in Bulgaria, Science & Education Foundation, Bulgaria, etc. (www.sciencebg.net). Published in Educational Alternatives, Journal of International Scientific Publications: vol. Nr. 13, 2015. ISSN 1314-7277. <http://www.scientific-publications.net/en/article/1000967/>
23. 2015, May 18-21 Nathanaili, V. "*Liberal Education as a Key for World Citizenship*". Athens Institute for Education and Research (www.atiner.gr), 17th Annual International Conference on Education, Athens, Greece.
24. (2014) International Conference (AIS 9th Annual Conference) "Law and Values in Contemporary Society". Organizers: Albanian Institute of Sociology (AIS), European University of Tirana (UET), Albanian Sociological Association (ALBSA) & Faculty of Education, University "Aleksander Moisiu" Durrës. Local organizing committee & Paper: "Salloni i librit universitar: Në udhëkryqin e botimeve universitare"(University textbooks: At the crossroads of university publishing). UET, Tirana-Albania, 21-22 November 2014.
25. 2014, May 1-4 Nathanaili, V. "*Pasqyrimi në literaturë i kërkimit shkencor rreth kënaqësisë e motivimit në punë*" (The reflection in the literature of scientific research about satisfaction and motivation at work). International Conference "Rethinking development and integration", Organizer: European University of Tirana (UET) Tiranë, Albania. Proceedings: ISBN 978-9928190-20-8
26. 2012, November 26-27 Nathanaili, V. "*The necessity for a variety of quantities in commensurability of teachers' results work*". The 7th International Conference of Institute of Sociology "Identity, image and social cohesion in our interdependence", Vlora, Albania. Proceedings. ISBN 9789928-4100-4-7
27. 2010, May Nathanaili, V. "*For European levels and standards in the university research and scientific work*", Tirana – Shkodër. Albanian University & University of Shkodra. UFO Press. ISBN 978-99956-19-76-3

Forums, activities, Scientific Committees, discussions in different panels (listed partly)

28. 2022, 18 march. "Astronomy Day" at University College Logos. Theme "Time and space in Ancient Greece. Mechanism Antikithera". Organiser and scientific moderator Honoured guest: Prof. Xenophon Moussas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.
29. 2022, 23 march. Promotion Campaign "Communicating science in public: Academics in the media". Moderator and scientific organiser. College University of Logos.
30. 2022, 11 February. Promoting STEM. To encourage girls to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math fields /Promoting model women in STEM as base of progress and sustainable development. Academy of Science of Albania, in cooperation with Embassy of Greece and College University of Logos. Contributor: Basis and foundations of a life in engineering and science, introducing carrier and activity of Prof. Luljeta Bozo.
31. 2021 25 November Organiser and Scientific Coordinator in the symposium "Orange the world. Theme: Orange the World: End Violence against Women Now!" College University of Logos, in cooperation with Ministry of Education and Sport and the State Policy.
32. 2021, 5 February, Symposium "Quo Vadis Humanitas" "What is life?" 78 years after the famous lecturer of Erwin Schrödinger - What Will Life Be? Inspired by the lecturer of Erwin Schrödinger, "What is life", Trinity College, Dublin. Academy of Science of Albania. Introduction words / from the old and existing paradigm, to a new and challenging one – the scientific revolution that inspired Erwin Schrödinger / book launch "What is life" in Albanian Language / Dr. Valbona Nathanaili, "Henrietta Leavitt" Foundation, Albania.
33. 2019, 2020, 2021 Promoting STEM. "Henrietta Leavitt" Foundation and University of Tirana, Faculty of Natural Sciences. National campaign /To encourage girls to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math fields /Promoting model women in STEM as base of progress and sustainable development
34. 2019, 2020, 2021 National competition in physics (for students of upper secondary schools). In collaboration with Albanian Society of Physics.
35. 2020 February/ Roundtable: Integration of Western Balkan in European Union on the Agenda of HEIs. Integration from inside. Speaker and Panel /Contributor: Integration of AKNM area from inside. University "Fan. S. Noli".
36. 2020 "My city, my future" Children Competition in paint and fairy tale (City range). In cooperation with Library of Elbasan City.
37. 2019, December 13 /Public Forum "Remix Albania", in collaboration with Theatre of Metropol Tirana /Theatre and education, theatre and liberal education. Member of Organised Committee and Speaker. Contributor: Liberal Education through the theatre.
38. 2018, 5 December "Theatre of Metropol, Tirana". Topic: "Albanian Drama as an laboratory for knowledge and research", Contribution: "Theatre of Metropol between choices and solutions".
39. 2016, 23 April Forum: "Books for a good society". UET Press, in collaboration with Albanian Institute of Sociology, Panel Valbona Nathanaili, Lekë Sokoli.
40. 2015, 11 April Debate about Draft-Strategy of Pre-university education, 2014-2020", organized at UET with 140 headmasters and teachers from different DARS/ZAs. Addressing section 3 of this draft-strategy "Objectives of politics, activities and outcomes", Edited: "Arsimi Parauniversitar 2015+". Co-author ISBN 978-9928-190-34-5. Tiranë: UET Press.
41. 2015, 23 October With the invitation of "Koordinacioni i Këshillave dhe Përfaqësive të Pakicave Kombëtare" Zagreb city", in collaboration with "Këshillin e Pakicës Kombëtare Shqiptare" Zagreb city and Shoqatën e Shkrimtarëve Kroatë, në Zagreb, Book promotion of author Ben Blushi "Otello". Panel Ben Blushi, Valbona Nathanaili, Ivana Simić Bodrožić, shkrimtare, Božidar Petrač, President of Writers Association of Croatia.

42. 2014, 16 January Forum “Pirateria dëmton artin dhe kulturën e një kombi”, Universiteti Europian i Tiranës in collaboration with Ministry of Culture. Contributors: Evien Dako, Director of Albanian Office of copyright, Valbona Nathanaili, Director of UET Press and Juela Lamçe, lector of the law of right, UET.

Books: Forward

43. For the Albanian language variant of book What is life. Author Erwin Schrödinger. Publisher: “Henrietta Leavitt” Foundation.
44. For the Albanian language variant of book The Rise and fall of nations. Forces of Change in the Post-Crisis World. Author Ruchir Sharma Publishing House “Pema”, Prishtinë, Kosovë, 2017.