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#### Research interests

Gender-Inclusive Language

Translation
Theory,
Translations
EN-RO, ROEN

Attitudes
to Language,
Language
Ideology,
Ideology of
Standardization

Sociolinguistics,
Historical
Sociolinguistics

History of English, History of Lexicography

### Focus on gender-inclusive language

- Lexicographic representation of gendered epithets /vs./ genderinclusive language in Romanian monolingual dictionaries (Vişan 2021, Vişan 2022, Vişan 2023)
- Attitudes to & representations of gender-inclusive Romanian, Standard Romanian, 'Global' English in metalinguistic comments— LGBTQ+ activists & allies/vs./ general public /vs./ linguists (Vişan, forthcoming)
- Translating gender-inclusiveness from English into Romanian: Translation Studies/Queering Translation/Queer Linguistics (Translation Workshop taught in 2021; Vişan, forthcoming)

## My students' questions regarding gender-inclusive language

- Question 1
- How should I translate the English "ae, e, ey, per, they" into Romanian? (Irina, she/her, BA student 2023)

- Question 2
- Can there really be a normative way to express non-binary identities in Romanian? Isn't their representation a non-normative one? (Lexi, they/them, MA student, 2022)

- Question 3
- How do I translate "She is the Minister of Tourism" into Romanian now? Is it better to use the default masculine/neuter ("ministru") rather than the feminine form ("ministră")? (Gabriel, he/him, BA student 2023)

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Vişan, Ruxandra (forthcoming) Myths and models concerning gender inclusivity and non-binary forms in Romanian.