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111 teachers (99 holding research degree), 84 doctoral students.

DEPARTMENTS OF THE FACULTY

Department of General Psychology

Department of Educology

Department of Philosophy

Department of Logic and History of Philosophy

Department of Clinical and Organizational Psychology

Department of Social Work

Department of Sociology

RESEARCH AREAS

Nature, Role and Historical Genesis of Contemporary Philosophy

Psychological Factors of Society, Community and Personality Development

Educational Policy in Lithuania: Coherency Issues within National and Global

Sociological Analysis of Social Structure and Change

Social Work and Development of Social Welfare

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS MAINTAINED IN 2016

M. Šupa. Physical, Legal and Discursive Aspects of Social Control Over Urban Space: The Case of a Centrally Located Neighbourhood in Vilnius.

O. Zamalijeva. Factors Predicting Adherence to Treatment Regimen Among Patients with Chronic Diseases.

S. Šabanovas. Social Change of Modern Lithuanian Territories.

V. Jurkuvėnas. Structure and Correlates of Information Processing Speed.

D. Petkevičiūtė-Barysienė. The Factors of the Judgment of Judicial Behavior Fairness in Civil Justice.

MAIN CONFERENCES ORGANIZED IN 2016

International conference *Education Policy and Culture: Radical and Consistent Transformations*

International Scientific Conference *Family and Common Good*

Conference *Evidence based Suicide Intervention Methods in Practice*

13th Conference for Young Scientists in Psychology: Science that Inspires

The 7th Annual Vilnius Trauma Psychology Conference *Challenges in Trauma Psychology: From Theory to Practice*

VI Conference *Psychologist in organization: in the World of Informational Technologies*
Conference *Relationship with Authority: Challenges and Opportunities*

Conference *Approach of Individual Psychology to Psychopathology*

MAIN SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

Professors **Marijus Arvydas Šliogeris** and **Zenonas Norkus** were decorated with Lithuanian state orders by the President of Republic of Lithuania Dalia Grybauskaitė for merits in Lithuanian science development.

Assoc. Prof. **Evaldas Kazlauskas** received Vilnius University Rector's science award.

Prof. **Marius Povilas Šaulauskas** received Vilnius University Rector's award as best teacher 2016.

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Associate professors: Dr. R. Bliumas, Dr. I. Čėsniėnė, Dr. M. Dovydaitienė, Dr. G. Gintilienė, Dr. S. Girdzijauskienė, Dr. A. Kairys, Dr. F. Laugalys, Dr. D. Nasvytienė, Dr. V. Pakalniškienė, Dr. B. Pociūtė, Dr. R. Stanikūnas, Dr. A. Švegžda, Dr. K. Vanagaitė.

Lecturers: Dr. R. Berniūnas, Dr. D. Blažys, D. Butkienė, Dr. K. Čunichina, Dr. V. Jurkuvėnas, K. Dragūnevičius, Dr. V. Mikuličiūtė, Dr. V. Navickas, Dr. D. Petkevičiūtė-Barysienė, Dr. L. Rakickienė; Dr. O. Zamalijeva.

Doctoral students: G. Ambrulaitienė, R. Černovaitė, K. Eismontaitė, D. Jančiūrė, J. S. Jasiulionė, I. Juodkūnė, V. Jurkuvėnas, V. Klimukienė, T. Maceina, J. Narmontienė, D. Petkevičiūtė-Barysienė, D. Šorytė; I. Vasionytė, A. Žiedelis.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Influence of Colour Contrast, Adaptation and Location of Stimuli in Visual Field on Colour Perception (on Colour Constancy)

Selection and Registration of Psychophysical Parameters for Estimation of Effectiveness of Human Being Activity

Procedural Justice in Criminal and Civil Proceedings

Development of Asocial Personality

The Problems of Psychological Functioning of Students and Teachers in the System of Higher Education of Lithuania

Development of Language and Thinking

Intelligence Testing with Children

Psychopathology of Early Relationships

Addiction Psychology: Early Detection and Intervention

Cognitive Development and Social Cognition in Adolescence

Career Psychology

Emotion and Behavioural Problems of Lithuanian Schoolchildren

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Factors and Outcomes of Psychosocial Interactions and Decision Making. Prof. Dr. G. Valickas. 2016-2020.

In 2016 the three research works were conducted. The first research examined: a) factors affecting litigants' perceived fairness of judicial behaviour; b) congruence between judicial behaviour and the requirements of procedural justice in civil cases.

The second research examined the modern theories and models explaining health-related behaviour and possibility to apply them in the healthy lifestyle promotion programs.

The third research examined cognitive functioning of individuals of different ages (verbal and visual-spatial memory of Lithuanian adult population).

Main publications:

Kymantienė, J., Bulotaitė, L. 2016. Kompleksinio sveikatos vertinimo modelis [Model of Complex Health Assessment]. *Visuomenės sveikata*, 2(73), 46-53.

Petkevičiūtė-Barysienė, D., Valickas, G. 2016. Civilinio ginčo šalių suvoktas teisėjų elgesio teisingumas [The Factors of Litigants' Perceived Judicial Behavior Fairness] *Teisė. Mokslo darbai*, 99, 25–42.

Jurkuvėnas, V., Bagdonas A., Germanavičius A. Simple and Complex Information Processing Speed in Psychiatric Samples. *Psichologija*, 2016, Nr. 53. P. 7–23.

Principles of Cognitive Processing. Dr. R. Stanikūnas. 2016-2020.

Although from very beginning of research it was noted that temporal discrimination depends on the subjective experience, the influence of “top-down” processes (attention, primarily) was addressed more often only in last decade or two. We investigated the temporal sensitivity of visual system under different conditions of expectations. The three primary LED's (red, green and blue) were used as flashlights, they also composed the illuminant D65 of the background extending full visual field in our experiment. The two separate lights of the same colour flashed at different temporal intervals (zero phase shift at the start of experiment, 40–60 ms at the subject decision, the increase interval – 1 ms). After presentation of stimuli, the subject responded with one of four possible answers: a) stimuli flashed at the same time, b) the left stimulus flashed first, c) the right stimulus flashed first, d) stimuli flashed not at the same time, but it is not possible to say which came first. Temporal discrimination was measured under two conditions of expectations: when the subject knew in advance which stimulus flashed first, and when the subject didn't know in advance which stimulus flashed first. All stimulus timing presentation and instructions for expectations were presented in pseudo random order. As expected, temporal discrimination threshold was highly affected by expectations. Lowest thresholds were for red colour when expectation coincided with flash presentation.

Main publications:

Vaitkevičius, P.-H., Stanikūnas, R., Švegžda, A., Kulbokaitė, V., Daugirdienė, A., Bliumas, R. (2015). Influence of expectations on temporal discrimination of flashing colour stimuli. *The 14th European Congress of Psychology*, 7-10 July 2015 Milan, Italy : abstract book. Milano : Innexa S.r.l., 2015. p. 1961.

Vaitkevičius, P.-H., Švegžda, A., Stanikūnas, R., & Bliumas R. (2016). Perceptual illusion and sensitivity of sensory. / Skotnikova, O. Korolkova, I. Blinnikova, V. Doubrovski, V. Shendyapin, N. Volkova (Eds). *Fechner Day 2016 – Proceedings of the 32nd Annual Meeting of the International Society for Psychophysics. International Society for Psychophysics. Труды 32-й ежегодной конференции Международного психофизического общества*, Moscow, Russia 15-18 August, 2016 / Editors: Skotnikova I., Korolkova O., Blinnikova I., Doubrovski V., Shendyapin V., Volkova N. Moscow : Изд-во «Институт психологии РАН», 2016. p. 58.

Bliumas, R., Švegžda, A., Stanikūnas, R., Daugirdienė, A., Vaitkevičius, P.H., Kulbokaitė, V. (2016). Bidwell effect under various chromatic illuminations and different eccentricities. 31st International Congress of Psychology, 24–29 July 2016, Yokohama, Japan: *International Journal of Psychology*, 2016, Vol. 51, Iss. S1. p. 1019. DOI: 10.1002/ijop.12348.120.

The Adaptation and Standardization of the Instruments for the Assessment of Psychological Characteristics of Individuals and Groups. Dr. G. Gintilienė. 2011-2016.

Data of representative Lithuanian sample of 3309 children aged 7–16 years in 15 urban, 10 town and 22 rural schools was analysed for confirmation of relevance in using the Lithuanian version of the Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) and the Development and Well-Being Assessment (DAWBA) for estimating prevalence of ICD-10 psychiatric disorders. Data of Lithuanian sample was compared to Western European countries. One of the main findings was that SDQ and DAWBA measures appear useful for the further research and clinical practice in Lithuania. These findings were presented in the article submitted to the journal *Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology*.

Child's School Maturity Assessment was adapted for the assessment of children speaking Russian and Polish language. Norms for CPM, Rapid Naming, Phonological Awareness, Figure Copy and Vocabulary based on representative sample of Russian and Polish speaking children aged from 4 year 8 months to 7 years 7 months were established. Norms, cut-off scores and other psychometric data are presented and published in the Supplements to the Child's School Maturity Assessment.

The Relationship Among Children's Self-Regulation, Behaviour and the Interactions with Mother. Prof. dr. R. Jusienė. 2015-2017.

The longitudinal data of 30 one-and-half-year old children and their mothers' dyads and of the 140 four-year old children and their mothers' dyads were analysed in relation to children's and maternal characteristics. The maternal postpartum depressiveness and delivery mode were particularly taken into account. The quantitative and qualitative (deep-in observational) analysis of the data was made.

The results were presented in four oral presentations at two international conferences and one national conference; also they were presented in one publication.

Main publications:

Jasiulione, J. S., Jusiene, R., Markuniene, E. 2016. Sintetinio oksitocino naudojimo gimdymo veiklos sužaditimui ir skatinimui sąsajos su vaikų iki 1,5 m. amžiaus emocijų ir elgesio sunkumais [Associations between use of oxytocin for inducing and stimulating labor and emotional and behavioral problems of children up to 1,5 years old]. *Sveikatos mokslai [Health Sciences in Eastern Europe]*, 26, 2: DOI: 10.5200/sm-hs.2016.028.

Jusienė, R., Jarumbauskaitė, A., Jasiulionė, J. S., Vickutė, M. 2016. Depressive mothers' interactions with young children: what we miss if do not include free play observations in assessment. *15th Congress of World Association of Infant Mental Health (WAIMH)*, June, 2016, Prague, Czech Republic.

Jasiulionė, J. S., Jusienė, R. Mother-infant interaction during free play and structured task: does the mode of delivery matter? *15th Congress of World Association of Infant Mental Health (WAIMH)*, June, 2016, Prague, Czech Republic.

National Research Projects

Factors of Psychological Well-Being and Mental Health among Pre-Retirees and Retirees. GER-011/2015. Assoc. Prof. V. Pakalniškienė. 2015-2017.

In year 2016 questionnaires for the main data collection were created, some standardised instruments were translated from English language and tested during pilot study. Main data collection was going on. All the data were collected and data analysis was performed. First drafts of scientific publications were prepared.

Biopsychosocial Factors of Well-Being in Later Life. Contract No MIP-010/2015. Assoc. Prof. A. Kairys. 2015-2017.

The project is aimed to adapt and implement Lithuanian version of SHARE (Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe) wave 7 study assessment instrument and to analyse biopsychosocial factors of well-being in later life. During 2016 the translation of questionnaire of SHARE wave 7 was performed. The questionnaire was tested in several test runs as well as in two field studies:

Pretest study were conducted in summer 2016 (N=100);

Field rehearsal study was conducted in November – December 2016. The random sample of 400 respondents aged 50 or more was interviewed.

Based on testing of survey instrument and field studies major improvements of questionnaire were made. The condition of aging research in Lithuania and SHARE survey was presented in conference presentation and in mass media.

In March 2016 the meeting of SHARE central coordinators and country teams was organized in Vilnius. Representatives from 27 SHARE country teams as well as representatives from SHAREERIC participated in this meeting.

Staff of the project participated in several SHARE meetings that took place in Germany and Croatia.

Main publication:

Kairys, A., Zamalijeva, O., Bagdonas, A. 2016. Psichologiniai senėjimo tyrimai Lietuvoje: užmiršta tyrimų kryptis? In: K. Kovalčikienė (Ed.), *Lietuvos psichologų kongresas*.

Psichologija: mokslu grindžiama praktika žmogui ir visuomenei. Kongreso pranešimų santraukų leidinys (p.36). Kaunas: VDU.

The Relationship between Personality Traits and Criminal Risk Factors in a Sample of Incarcerated Violent Offenders. Contract No MIP-004/2015. Assoc. Prof. I. Čėsniėnė. 2015-2017.

The aim of this project was to analyse the relationship between personality traits of convicted violent offenders and risk of criminal reoffending. For this purpose, the implementation of empirical research was carried out in two phases. On a basis of scientific literature and results from the first stage of research, two scientific publications were prepared. In total eight presentations were made in five different national and international scientific conferences.

International Research Projects

COST Action IS1302: Towards an EU Research Framework on Forensic Psychiatric Care. Dr. I. Čėsniėnė.

The aim of the Action is to exchange, increase and deepen the knowledge on evidence-based practice and (cost) effective services in long-term forensic psychiatry in Europe. In order to achieve scientific progress leading to an improvement of evidence-based treatment in long-term forensic psychiatric services, the Action focuses on three main core areas: characteristics of long-term forensic psychiatric patients, needs and quality of life as well as best practice in long-term forensic psychiatric care.

Please find more information on website <http://lfpc-cost.eu/>.

SPAN - Science for Prevention Academic Network Members - Prof. L. Bulotaitė, Prof. R. Jusienė, K. Dragūnevičius. 2012-2016.

SPAN aims

Improve the integration of Prevention Science degree/quality assurance standards, methods and approaches in the European Higher Education Sector in such a way that improves the quality and increases the volume of staff and student mobility across Europe.

Share Best Practice and facilitate the development of innovative practices in Prevention Science education and training.

Support the development of innovative ICT-based content, services, pedagogies and practice for lifelong learning in Prevention Science.

Lithuania's team was working in work package 4. The main aim of this group was the definition of the concept of "prevention science" in the context of lifelong learning. Also we focused on gaps in prevention science education and training in terms of skills and competencies in the prevention science workforce. Lithuanian team collected some information about study programs in Lithuania which are offered by various institutions and identified the courses/modules which are essential for the proper formation of a prevention scientist. This information was used in preparation of "Quality Plan for Prevention Science Education and Training in Europe" (authors: Gabrielik R., Foxcroft D., Mifsud J., Dimech A.M., Pischke C., Steenbock B, Bulotaite L., Mulligan C, 2015).

Also we collected information in Lithuania, which was used for six database files that provide information about different aspects of Prevention Science across Europe (Prevention Science Databases, <http://www.span-europe.eu/span>).

MAIN RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION PARTNERS

Child Development Centre (Lithuania)
Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)
Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Manchester (Manchester, UK)

OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Prof. A. Bagdonas –

- editorial board executive secretary of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/psichologija/redakcine-kolegija>;
- member of Lithuanian Neurobiological Association;
- member of General Education Council of Lithuanian Ministry of Education and Science.

Prof. G. Valickas –

- editor-in-chief of the journal of *Psichologija (Psychology)*, Vilnius University, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/psichologija/redakcine-kolegija>;
- member of the of the board of the journal *Psychology and Law* („Психология и право“), Russia, <http://psyjournals.ru/psyandlaw/editorialboard/>;
- member of the Senate of Vilnius University;
- member of the Committee of Science of Vilnius University;
- expert of the Lithuanian Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education;
- member of the Board of Centre for Criminological Studies of Vilnius University;
- member of the Board of Lithuanian Association of Criminology;
- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of the Committee of Prosecutors' Ethics, Prosecution Service of the Republic of Lithuania.

Assoc. Prof. R. Bliumas –

- member of the of Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- international Affiliate of the American Psychological Association, www.apa.org/.

Assoc. Prof. L. Bulotaitė –

- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Ugdymo psichologija (Educational Psychology)*, www.vpu.lt/.
- mentor Scientific Advisory Network, <http://www.mentorfoundation.org/people.php?nav=3-26-90>;
- European Health Psychology society (EHPS), <http://www.ehps.net/membership>.

Assoc. Prof. I. Čėsniienė –

- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of the Society for Police and Criminal Psychology, <http://psychweb.cisat.jmu.edu/spcp/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Socialinių mokslų studijos (Societal Studies)*, http://www.mruni.eu/lt/mokslo_darbai/sms/apie_leidini/;
- member of the International Association of Applied Psychology, <http://www.iaapsy.org/>;
- member of the Board of Ethics of The European Federation of Psychologists' Associations (EFPA), <http://www.efpa.eu/ethics/board-of-ethics> .

Assoc. Prof. M. Dovydaityienė –

- member of Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of Network of Listening Fitness Instructors network, http://www.listeningfitness.com/d_list.html.

Assoc. Prof. R. Jusienė –

- board member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of ISSBD, www.issbd.org;
- member of European Society for Developmental Psychology, www.esdp.info .

Assoc. Prof. G. Gintilienė –

- member of ISSBD, www.issbd.org;
- member of the International Study Group on Special Education Needs;
- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, www.lps.vu.lt/;
- affiliate member International School Psychology Association, www.ispaweb.org/ ;

- member of editorial team of the journal *Ugdymo psichologija (Educational Psychology)*, <http://www.ugdymopsichologija.leu.lt/index.php/Ugdymopsichologija>.

Assoc. Prof. S. Girdzijauskienė –

- member of ISSBD, www.issbd.org;
- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>.

Dr. A. Kairys –

- editorial board executive secretary of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/psichologija/redakcine-kolegija>;
- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>.

Assoc. Prof. F. Laugalys –

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Dr. V. Pakalniškienė –

- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of European Association for Research on Adolescence, www.earaonline.org;
- member of ISSBD, www.issbd.org .

Assoc. Prof. B. Pociūtė –

- member of ISSBD, www.issbd.org ;
- board member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>.

Dr. K. Vanagaitė –

- member of the Lithuanian Association of Criminology, <http://www.kriminologija.lt/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Kriminologijos studijos (Studies of Criminology)*, <http://www.zurnalai.vu.lt/index.php/kriminologijos-studijos/pages/view/editorial-board>.

Assoc. Prof. R. Stanikūnas –

- member of the International Colour Vision Society (ICVS), <http://macboy.uchicago.edu>;

- member of the Vision Sciences Society (VSS), <http://www.visionosciences.org/>;
- member of the Lithuanian Neuroscience Association (LNA), www.neuromokslai.lt/en/.

Assoc. Prof. A. Švegžda –

- member of the Lithuanian Neuroscience Association (LNA), www.neuromokslai.lt/en/.

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Culture of education

Education policy

Transformations of education policy in Lithuania

Research of curriculum development

Educational management in Lithuania

Studies of Lithuanian educational heritage

Dialogue between cultures in education

Problems of personal identity

Globalization and localization in education

Philosophy of education

Higher education

Gender differences in education and science

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Educational Policy and Educational Culture. 2015-2019.

The main aim of the research in 2016 was to develop the analysis of the tendencies of the educational politics in regard with the educational culture. Some data of theoretical and empirical research are published in research papers written by Lilija Duoblienė, Irena Stonkuvienė, Vilija Targamadzė, Rimantas Želvys, Sandra Kairė, Šarūnė Nagrockaitė and analyzing issues of education policy and culture. The papers were published in Lithuanian and international educational journals.

The staff of the Education Department presented their research findings at different national/international conferences held in Lithuania and foreign countries (Italy, Hungary, Georgia, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Poland, etc. etc.). All the international visits were supported by Vilnius University and/or Lithuanian Research Council.

Main publications:

Aramavičiūtė, V. 2016. *Vertybės ir ugdymas: tarp kaitos ir stabilumo. Mokslo studija* [Values and Education: between Change and Stability. Scientific Study] Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, p. 422. ISBN 978-609-459-762-6.

Duoblienė, L., Kairė, S. 2016. Artefaktai bendrojo ugdymo mokyklose: laisva ar sunorminta kūryba? [Artefacts in General Education Schools: Open or Standardised Creative Work?] *Acta paedagogica Vilnensia*. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2016, T. 36. p. 42-58. ISSN: 1392-5016 ; DOI: 10.15388/ActPaed.2016.36.10071.

Targamadzė, V. 2016. The new generation at the crossroad of cultures: socialization aspect. *Multicultural studies*. Wrocław : Uniwersytet Wrocławski, 2016, T. 1, no 1. p. 65-76. ISSN: 2451-2877.

National Research Projects

Research Council of Lithuania. **Dominant and Demotic School Culture: Analysis of Tension Fields.** Research leader Prof. L. Duoblienė. 2014-2015.

The aim of this project was to reveal the links and intersections among teachers' dominant culture from the top and students' demotic culture from the bottom in Lithuanian schools. The main activities in 2016 were dissemination of the research results in seminars, conferences and scientific publications.

Research Council of Lithuania. **Modeling the Status and Causing Factors of Lithuanian Education System.** Research leader Assoc. Prof. A. Jakaitienė, partner from the department of Educology - Prof. R. Želvys. 2015-2017.

The aim of the project is to analyse causing factors influencing the results of the international OECD PISA study and to model the system of educational indicators for Lithuania based on the data available from OECD PISA study, National examination and testing databases.

International Research Projects

Nordplus Horizontal programme (project No. NPHZ-2016/10118): **Developing Early Foreign Language Learning and Teaching in the Nordic/Baltic Context (ELL-NB)**. Coordinator - University of Copenhagen. Vilnius university–partner organization. Coordinator Assoc. Prof. T. Bulajeva. 2016-2018.

MAIN R&D&I (RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INOVATION) PARTNERS

Bristol University (United Kingdom)

TU Dortmund University (Germany)

University of Verona (Italy)

University of Haifa (Israel)

UCL Education institute (United Kingdom)

University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)

Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (Georgia)

OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Prof. V. Aramavičiūtė –

- member of the Lithuanian Catholic Academy of Science, <http://www.lkma.lt/>.

Assoc. Prof. T. Bulajeva –

- editorial board member of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/acta-paedagogica-vilnensia/redakcine-kolegija>.

Prof. L. Duoblienė –

- member of the Lithuanian Association of Teachers of Philosophy;
- member of International Association of Teachers of Philosophy;
- member of International Network of Philosophy of Education (INPE);
- deputy editor-in-chief of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/acta-paedagogica-vilnensia/redakcine-kolegija>;
- member of the editorial board of the journal *Religija ir Kultūra (Religion and Culture)*;
- member of VU Philosophy Faculty Board, <http://www.fsf.vu.lt/lt/apie-fakulteta/taryba>;
- member of Lithuanian Education Board at Lithuanian Parliament (Seimas).

Dr. Š. Nagrockaitė –

- head of non-degree studies programme “School Pedagogy” and adjacent study programme “Subject Pedagogy” at Vilnius University;
- representative of Educology Department (Vilnius University) at the Ministry of Education and Science;
- member of the working group for the Internship Regulations at the Faculty of Philosophy;
- member of the Association for Improvement of Schools, <http://www.mtc.lt/lt/mtc-balsas/mokyklu-tobulinimo-asociacija>.

Assoc. Prof. I. Stonkuvienė –

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/acta-paedagogica-vilnensia>;
- member of ISCHE (International Standing Conference for the History of Education), <http://www.ische.org/>;
- member of the Baltic Association of Educational Historians, <http://www.baltichistorians.lu.lv/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *IJGE: International Journal of Global Education*; <http://www.ijge.net/ojs/index.php/ijge/about/editorialTeam>;
- editorial board member of the journal *International Journal of New Trends in Arts, Sports & Science Education (IJTASE)*, <http://www.ijtase.net/ojs/index.php/IJTASE/about/editorialTeam>.

Prof. V. Targamadžė –

- international PISTA, IMSCI Conferences Reviewer (USA, Florida) since 2006;
- member of editorial board in *International Journal of Multilingual Education (IJME)*, <http://www.multilingualeducation.org/> ;
- editorial board member of journal *Socialinis ugdymas (Social education) (LEU, SKI)* http://www.leidykla.vpu.lt/files/redakcija_1392-9569.pdf ;
- editorial board member of journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia (VU)*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/acta-paedagogica-vilnensia/redakcine-kolegija>;
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- member of the editorial board of scientific journal *Pedagogika*,
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Premises of phenomenological and hermeneutical philosophy and possibilities of its development

The impact of metaphysics on the rise of modern natural science

Impact of the globalization on culture and transformation of values

Philosophical reflection of everyday world

Philosophy of cinema

Philosophical investigations of imagination

Basic problems of phenomenology

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Contemporary Philosophy and Philosophical Investigations of Culture. Prof. Dr. A. Plėšnys. 2015–2020.

The main research titles accomplished in 2016: the importance of ecological ethics in global society, a re-evaluation of concept of imagination in relation to aesthetics and contemporary art, an monography in English on influence of positivism on modernity and postmodernity by Evaldas Nekrašas.

Main publications:

Kalenda, Č. *Achilo kulno papėdėje: pasaulinė ekologinė krizė ir Lietuva* [At the Foot of Achilles' heel: Global Ecological Crisis and Lithuania] Vilnius: Vilnius University Press.

Sabolius, K. 2016. *Proteus and the Radical Imaginary*, Vilnius: Contemporary Art Centre, and Cracow: Bunkier Sztuki Gallery of Contemporary Art.

Nekrašas, E. 2016. *The Positive Mind. Its Development and Impact on Modernity and Postmodernity*, Budapest and New York: CEU Press, 2016.

National Research Projects

Imagination Lab. project: **The Development and Implementation of the System of National Science Popularization** Funded by European Social Fund. (No, 09.3.3-ESFA-V-711-02-0001), implemented by Lithuanian Academy of science. Dr. K. Sabolius.

The project activity consists of an intense session of 3 workshops for high school pupils on the practices and theories of imagination in philosophy, psychology, neuroscience, art.

Hybrid Creativity: Contemporary Art and Science. S/TYR-3(6.51)-2016/LSS-250000-325. Funded by Lithuanian Council of Culture. Dr. K. Sabolius.

Introducing the combination of both scientific and artistic practices, as well as applying philosophical methodology, this research project analyses the elements of imaginary and creativity at the intersection between biotechnologies and contemporary art.

Preparation and Publication of the Book **“Visual Violence in Cinema”** (agreement nr. S/HUM – 4(6.49)/2016/LSS-250000-175). N. Milerius.

During the 2016 N. Milerius had been fulfilled the commitments set out in the project by publishing to articles: one in an academic journal (Milerius, N., *Violence as the Condition of Modernity: The Case of F.T. Marinetti and G. Simmel*, Problemos 90) and one in cultural media (Milerius, N., *Snuff film and the phenomenon of death*, 7 meno dienos, Nr. 41 (1193), 16/12/2016). According to the project, the monograph should be published by the end of 2017.

MAIN R&D&I (RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INOVATION) PARTNERS

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OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Lekt. J. Čiurlionis –

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Assoc. Prof. M. Gutauskas –

- editorial board member of the journal *Religija ir kultūra* (*Religion and Culture*), <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/religija-ir-kultura>;
- board member of the Lithuanian Association of Phenomenology;

- member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>;
- member of the Philosophy Bachelor Study Programme Committee.

Lekt. L. Jakavonytė –

- board member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>.
- editorial board member of the international project The Encyclopaedia of Educational Philosophy and Theory, http://www.ffst.hr/ENCYCLOPAEDIA/doku.php?id=on_encyclopaedia.

Assoc. Prof. K. Sabolius –

- member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>;
- member of the Lithuanian Association of Phenomenology.

Assoc. Prof. A. Mickevičius –

- member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>.

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- board member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>.

Prof. E. Nekrašas –

- editorial board member of the journal *Problemos (Problems)*, <http://www.leidykla.vu.lt/index.php?id=39>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Politologija (Political Science)*, <http://www.leidykla.vu.lt/en/journals/politologija/politologija-2010-vol-4-60/editorial-board/>);
- member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, <http://lma.lt/>;
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Prof. A. Plėšnys –

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- member of the Lithuanian Catholic Academy of Science, <http://lkma.lt/>.

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- editorial board member of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy. Sociology)*, <http://www.lmaleidykla.lt/filosofijasociologija/2010/3/>;
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Philosophy in classical and modern civilizations

Modern – postmodern controversy

Information society studies

Analytical philosophy and hermeneutics

Logic

Postmodern philosophy

Social and political philosophy

Contemporary Christian philosophy

Ethics

Religion studies

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

The History of Philosophy and Nowadays: Framework Methodological Controversies.
Prof. M. P. Šaulauskas. 2016 – 2021.

The main research titles accomplished in 2016: analytical philosophy paradigms of science, consciousness, language and law; essential problems of axiological discourses; methodological controversy of contemporary politics and moral philosophy; the genesis of modern philosophy.

Main publications:

Dranseika, V. 2016. Moral responsibility for natural disasters. *Human Affairs*, vol. 26 (1), p. 73-79.

Dranseika, V. 2016. Folk concepts of person and identity: a response to Nichols and Bruno. *Philosophical psychology*, vol. 29 (1), p. 96-122.

Jokubaitis, A. 2016. Liberalizmo filosofijos paradokasai [Paradoxes of the Philosophical Liberalism] *Problemos*, t. 90, p. 7-19. (in Lithuanian).

National Research Projects

Information Society Research: a New Methodological Paradigm. MIP-072/2014/LSS-250000-520/03-13. Assoc. Prof. Dr. K. Kirtiklis. 2014-2016.

This research project aimed at the analysis of the conception of information society and its differences from the previous conceptions of society, trying to understand whether the differences might be considered paradigmatic. The metatheoretical analysis was focused on the micro level research of online communities, empirical studies of information society and the grand information society theories. This year the project was finished and the general conclusion, which followed from the research was that information society research did not create the paradigmatic shift in social sciences.

The Value of Humanities: Global Arguments and Lithuanian Specifics. LIP-081/2016/LSS-250000-1131. Assoc. Prof. Dr. K. Kirtiklis.

This project aims philosophical and sociological research of importance and use of humanities on the intersection of global and local discourses arguing for their value. We seek to refine the arguments for the value of humanities in Lithuanian context. This aims is pursued in two ways – analyzing the global English speaking discourse, as well as the assertions of the values of humanities in the local context of Lithuanian studies.

The project started at the end of year 2016 with the collection and the analysis of the arguments in the global discourse.

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Bilkent University (Turkey)

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OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Assoc. Prof. J. Dagys –

- executive secretary of the editorial board of the journal *Problemos*, <http://www.leidykla.vu.lt/index.php?id=39>;
- member of the board of Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>;
- member of the Appeals Committee of the Faculty of Philosophy at Vilnius University;
- member of the Faculty Council;
- member of the Philosophy Master Study Programme Committee;
- scientific board member of the journal *Philosophica Critica* (Nitra University, Slovakia) <http://philosophicacritica.ukf.sk/editorial-board.html>.

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- member of the Lithuanian Society for History and Philosophy of Science, <http://www.bahps.org/contact-information>;
- network coordinator of the Nordic Network for Philosophy of Medicine and Healthcare, http://www.imh.liu.se/avd_halsa_samhalle/nnpmmme/hem?l=en.

Assoc. Prof. K. Dubnikas –

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Prof. A. Jokubaitis –

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- advisory board member of the journal *Politeja*, <http://www.politeja.wsmip.uj.edu.pl/>.

Assoc. Prof. N. Kardelis –

- vice-President of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>;
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- member of the Societas Classica (*Classical Association*), <http://www.klasikai.lt/>;
- deputy editor of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy. Sociology)*, <http://www.lmaleidykla.lt/filosofijasociologija/2014/3/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Athena: Filosofijos studijos (Athena: Philosophical Studies)*, <http://lkti.lt/athena/?no=apie-leidini>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Sovijus: tarpdalykiniai kultūros tyrimai (Sovijus. Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture)*, http://www.sovijus.lt/wordpress/?page_id=21;
- editorial board member of journals *Lietuvos kultūros tyrimai (Investigations of Lithuanian Culture)*, *Ars et praxis*.

Assoc. Prof. K. Kirtiklis –

- vice-chair of Philosophy of Communication section at the European Communication Research and Education Association (ECREA);
- member of the Lithuanian Social Science Forum, <http://www.socforumas.lt/?lang=en>;
- member of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society, <http://www.filosofai.lt/>.

Assoc. Prof. N. Radavičienė –

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Problemos*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/problemos/apie-zurnala>;
- Prorector of Studies of Vilnius University (until 31.08.2016);

Prof. M. P. Šaulauskas –

- director of the Centre for Information Society Studies, Vilnius University, <http://www.infovi.vu.lt/mps/index.html>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija. Mintis ir veiksmai (Sociology. Thought and Action)*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/sociologija-mintis-ir-veiksmai>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Informacijos mokslai (Information Sciences)*, <http://www.leidykla.vu.lt/mokslo-darbai/informacijos-mokslai/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Problemos*, <http://www.vu.lt/leidyba/lt/mokslo-zurnalai/problemos/apie-zurnala>;
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Investigation of the DSH (deliberate self-harm) and effects of long lasting traumatisation
Research in existential-phenomenological psychology and psychotherapy in cross cultural context

Developmental psychopathology

Work and organizational characteristics as antecedents of employee work motivation, attitudes toward work and organization, citizenship and in role behaviour, job insecurity.

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Ris and Coping Factors of Psychosocial Stress and Psychological Disorders and the Effectiveness of Support. Prof. D. Gailienė. 2016-2020.

Evaluation of psychosocial disfunction and the need of Professional aid in the groups of different levels of psychosocial stress.

Projects, Programmes, Issues Supported by Research Council of Lithuania

Revelation of Personality's Integrity: Problem of Relation with Authority and Psychotherapy. Contract No NR. MIP-080/2014/LSS-250000-488. Prof. G. Gudaitė. 2014-2016.

The aim of the project was to explore the experience of relation with the authority (in connection with the consequences of Lithuanian historical heritage) and reconstruction of this relation in psychotherapy. As the aim of the project was to explore a dynamic phenomenon, which depends on objective and subjective conditions, quantitative and qualitative (thematic

and case analysis) research methods were combined in the project design. 240 participants took part in the research. The results were presented in national and international conferences.

Main publications:

Gudaitė, G. 2016. *Santykis su autoritetu ir asmeninės galios pajauta* [Relationship with Authority and Feeling of Personal Power]. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 191 p. ISBN: 9786094597329.

Grigutyte, N., Rukšaitė, G. 2016. Lithuanian Historical Heritage: Relation with Authority and Psychological Well-being. *The European Proceedings of Social & Behavioural Sciences*, eISSN: 2357-1330, 274-284.

Bieliauskienė, I., Gudaitė, G. 2016. Lyties veiksnys asmens santykiuose su autoritetais: kokybinė subjektyvaus patyrimo analizė [Gender Issues in an Individual's Relationship with Authority: Qualitative Analysis of Subjective Experience] *Psichologija: mokslo darbai*, Nr. 53, 101-113.

Brief Adjustment Disorder Psychosocial Intervention Effectiveness Study. Contract No MIP-079/2014/ LSS-250000-644/03-21. Dr. P. Skruibis. 2014-2016.

Researchers developed a brief adjustment disorder psychosocial intervention (BADI) based on the cognitive-behavioural and mindfulness theories and evaluated its effectiveness. After one month of use of the program effect sizes were determined: approximately 0.9 for the psychological well-being and 0.3 for the adjustment difficulties. These effect sizes confirm the effectiveness of the BADI program. BADI is a short-term intervention program and the effective change is achieved within a single month.

Main publications:

Skruibis, P., Eimontas, J., Dovydaitytė, M., Mazulytė, E., Zelviene, P., Kazlauskas, E. 2016. Internet-based modular program BADI for adjustment disorder: protocol of a randomized controlled trial. *BMC Psychiatry*, 16(1), 264. JOUR, <http://doi.org/10.1186/s12888-016-0980-9>.

Kazlauskas, E., Jovarauskaite, L., Mazulytė, E., Skruibis, P., Dovydaitytė, M., Eimontas, J., & Zelviene, P. (in press). 'It will get even better': Preliminary findings from a trauma-focused psychotherapy effectiveness study reveal false positive patients' long-term outcome expectations after the treatment. *Nordic Journal of Psychiatry*.

Eimontas, J., Gegieckaitė, G., Zelviene, P. 2016. perspectives of e-health interventions for stress-related disorders: a critical review. *Jaunųjų mokslininkų psichologų darbai*, 4: 1-7. ISSN 2029-9958.

Mediating Effects of Psychosocial Factors on Stress and Trauma Related Psychological After-effects in the Context of Social Psychotraumatology. MIP-15266. Principal investigator Dr. E. Kazlauskas. 2015-2017.

During this period of research project a pilot study with 125 participants was completed, and two papers to peer-reviewed scientific journals were submitted. Collection for the main study was started. Results of the pilot study were presented in a symposium "Psychotraumatology

research in Lithuania" organised by the research team in the Lithuanian Congress of Psychology in 2016.

Psychosocial Working Conditions and their Impact upon an Employee in Work/Life Domains. MIP-15284. Principal investigator Dr. J. Lazauskaitė-Zabielskė. 2015-2018.

The project is aimed at analyzing psychosocial working conditions and their positive and negative impact upon employees in the work/life context. This topic is particularly relevant in light of modern organizational psychology, which emphasizes not only task performance, but also employees' well-being. During the first project implementation stage a pilot study of was conducted. The results of the survey, based upon 889 employees from various organizations and various occupational groups, showed that organizational and personal outcomes could be predicted by certain psychosocial factors and their combinations.

Participation of Mental Health Service Users and Carers in a Reading of the International Classification of Diseases for Mental and Behavioural Disorders (ICD 11). a Princeps Study on Two Disorders: Depressive Episode and Schizophrenia (Contract No. MTS-250000-1336). Assoc. Prof. N. Grigutyte, 2016-2017.

The goal of the research is to describe how users who have experienced a diagnosis of depressive episode and/or schizophrenia and their carers understand and perceive the essential features of the ICD-11 guidelines for these diagnoses. More specifically, the goal is to specify the views of users and carers on the essential features of the guidelines for the diagnosis concerning depressive episode or schizophrenia as relevant by describing:

- Their understanding of terms;
- Their reactions (positive vs. negative) generated by the terms used;
- Any alternative wording for the terms used to designate the essential features of the relevant diagnostic guidelines. This rewording exercise can lead to proposals to describe the experiences of users and carers differently;
- And for users, whether they have already experienced the essential feature of the diagnosis being described.

Moreover, the comparison of some of the reactions to the essential features of the two diagnoses should help identify communication problems specific to both.

The project is implemented in 14 countries around the world in collaboration with EPSM Lille-Métropole WHO Collaborating Centre, Lille.

Job Insecurity in the Work/Life Context: Testing its Effects upon Employees' Work Performance and Well-Being. (APP-9/2016/LSS-250000-473). Dr. I. Urbanavičiūtė. 2016 – 2019.

The project is aimed at investigating employee job insecurity and is carried out in collaboration with researchers from Leuven University (Belgium). In 2016, the project team prepared a conceptual research model. In September, an international meeting was held in Vilnius where research methodology was discussed with the international project partner. In October, the first phase of data collection was launched which will last throughout February 2017. No publications were foreseen in this phase.

COOPERATION

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University of Trondheim (Norway)
University of Zurich (Switzerland)
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OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Prof. D. Gailienė –

- consulting editor of the journal *Archives of Suicide Research*, <http://www.tandfonline.com/action/aboutThisJournal?show=editorialBoard&journalCode=usui20>;
- associate editor of the journal *European Psychologist*, www.hhpub.com/journals/ep/journals.html;
- international Association of Suicide Prevention (IASP), <http://www.iasp.info/>;
- associate editor of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*, www.leidykla.vu.lt ;
- member of the Lithuanian Committee of Medical Bioethics, www.bioetika.sam.lt;
- member of International Association of Suicide Prevention (IASP), www.med.uio.no/iasp/;
- member of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Suizidprophylaxe (DGSP), www.suizidprophylaxe.de/;
- member of American Association of Suicidology (AAS), <http://www.suicidology.org/home>;
- member of Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- member of European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ESTSS), www.estss.org.

Prof. G. Gudaitė –

- member of Lithuanian Psychological Association, <http://www.psichologusajunga.lt/>;
- individual and full member of the International Association of Analytical Psychology, www.iaap.org/;
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Prof. R. Kočiūnas –

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- general secretary of East European Association for Existential Therapy, www.exist-association.eu;
- editorial board member of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*, www.leidykla.vu.lt;
- editorial board member of the *Journal of Baltic Psychology* (Latvia), <http://www.lu.lv/apgads/izdevumi/elektroniskie-izdevumi/zurnali-un-periodiskie-izdevumi/baltic-journal-of-psychology/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Existential Analysis* (Great Britain), www.existentialanalysis.co.uk;
- editorial board member of the journal *Psychotherapy* (Russia);
- editorial board member of the international journal *Existential Tradition: Philosophy, Psychology, Psychotherapy*, www.existradi.ru;
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Assoc. Prof. D. Bagdžiūnienė –

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- National Representative at EFPA Standing Committee of Ethics;
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Assoc. Prof. D. Čekuolienė –

- member of Society for Research of Child Development (SRCDD), www.srcd.org/ ;
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Analysis of social policy, social security, pensions

Development of social services in Lithuania

Social inclusion, social support for vulnerable people

Social prevention, rehabilitation and integration

Community development and empowerment

Migration, intercultural learning and communication

Labour market policy

Evaluation of the effectiveness of programs and services

Promoting youth participation

Human rights in mental health

Disability, stigma, stereotypes and discrimination

Development of social work education and profession

Gender equality and social work

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Research on Social Policy, Innovative Paradigms and Models of Social Work and Social Services in Response to Societal Changes and the Aims to Create Welfare Society. Dr. L. Žalimienė. 2015-2018.

Social policy and social work research was carried out, encompassing analyses of social work profession, social work practice, social problems and social help for youth/children. Another branch of research has been focused on critical evaluation of mental health policy in Lithuania, models of social integration of disable people. Furthermore, the trends of deinstitutionalization in care sector in Lithuania, innovation in social services, and governance in public services were discussed. Results of research were published at national or international scientific journals, presented on national or international conferences and their proceedings, or used in preparation of practical recommendations for social policy, social work practice or teaching aids.

Main publications:

Gvaldaitė, L., Šimkonytė, S. 2016. Vaikų globos namų deinstitutionalizacija Lietuvoje: ar „vežimas“ judės į priekį? (De-institutionalisation of child foster care system in Lithuania: will the “carriage” move forward?), *STEPP: Socialinė teorija, empirija, politika ir praktika*, 12, p. 55-73.

Skubiejūtė, G., Petružytė, D. 2016. Darbas su onkologinėmis ligomis sergančiais vaikais ir jų šeimomis: socialinę pagalbą teikiančių darbuotojų patirtys [Work with children who have cancer and their families: experiences of social services specialists]. *Socialinis darbas: patirtis ir metodai*. Nr. 17 (1). – Kaunas, VDU leidykla, 2016. - 35-54p.

Lisevičiūtė, L., Žalimienė, L. 2016. Inovacijos nevyriausybinėse organizacijose, teikiančiose socialines paslaugas. [Innovation in Non-Governmental Organisations Providing Social Services]. 2016. *STEPP: Socialinė teorija, empirija, politika ir praktika*. 13, 77-88.

International Research Projects

De-institutionalization as an Opportunity to Promote Human Rights of People with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities in Belarus. E. Šumskienė (expert). 2016-2018.

Funded by the EC. Contract number NEAR-TS/2015/365-188. Four trainings conducted for representatives of Civil society organizations on deinstitutionalization, disability rights and advocacy. Developed and released four modules which have been distributed for participants of the trainings.

Main publications:

Levickaitė, K., Šumskienė, E. 2016. Конвенция о правах инвалидов: 19 статья Самостоятельный образ жизни и вовлечённость в местное сообщество [The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: Article 19 Living independently and involvement in the local community]. *Mental Health Perspectives*, 30 p.

Levickaitė, K.; Šumskienė, E. Наилучшие практики и усвоенные уроки [Best Practices and Lessons Learned]. *Mental Health Perspectives*, 26 p.

Levickaitė, K., Šumskienė, E. 2016. Адвокация при деинституционализации. Роль неправительственных организаций на местном и центральном уровнях [Advocacy for Deinstitutionalization. The Role of NGOs on Local and National Levels]. *Mental Health Perspectives*, 21 p.

Empowering Belarus CSOs to Advocate for Social Inclusion and Promote Participatory Decision Making for People with Intellectual or Psychosocial Disabilities in 6 Regions of Belarus. Funded by the EC, contract number ENI 2015/368-142. E. Šumskienė (expert and coordinator). 2016-2019.

Ten trainings conducted in 6 regions of Belarus for representatives of Civil society organizations on project management and networking. Developed and released two modules which have been distributed for participants of the trainings.

Enhancing Procedural Rights of Persons with Intellectual and/or Psychiatric Impairments in Criminal Proceedings: Exploring the Needs for Actions. Funded by the EC, contract number JUST/2015/JACC/AG/PROC/8625. E. Šumskienė (expert and coordinator). 2016-2018.

Methodological guidelines for the research and country study has been developed, the research has been started of experts on procedural rights during criminal proceedings. 10 persons with intellectual and psychosocial disabilities have been interviewed.

REFLECT: Reflection as Core Transferable Competence in Higher Education and Adult Education. Erasmus + programme no 2014-1-LT01-KA200-000547. Coordinator at Vilnius University Assoc. Prof. J. Buzaitytė-Kašalynienė.

During the project there were several meetings with international team in Italy (in September of 2015 and February of 2016). During the autumn semester of 2015 testing projects on non-formal methods of reflection during teaching classes at Faculty of Philosophy of Vilnius University were implemented. During the 2016 international meeting the results and feedback of students were discussed. The main result was new knowledge about non-formal education and implementation of reflection method in the teaching.

Main publications:

Concetta, T, D'Agostino, M., De Vilder, D., Deltuva, A., Fedeli, M., Frison, D., Gísladóttir, K., Jackienė, E., Jakubė, A., Jasienė, G., Árnadóttir, H. A., Buzaitytė Kašalynienė, J., Leysen, J., Minnoni, E., Paci, A., Þorsteinsson, J. F., Taylor, M. E, Vandenbussche, B., Vansieleghe, N., Vilhjálmsón, B. 2016. *Holding the space: Facilitating reflection and inner readiness for learning*. Ghent : Sintjoris, Graphius, 2016. 132 p.

Buzaitytė-Kašalynienė, J. 2016. Reflection in Higher Education: A mean for higher students involvement in study process and enhancement of inner readiness for professional activity. *Jaunimo dalyvavimo ir atskirties, laisvės ir atsakomybės takoskyros: 3-oji jaunimo tyrėjų moklinė-praktinė konferencija Lietuvos jaunimo politikos 20-mečiui paminėti*. 2016 m. rugsėjo 8 d.: pranešimų santraukos. Vilnius: Mykolo Romerio universitetas, 2016. p. 22-23.

Seventh Framework Programme (FP7): **Possibilities and Limits, Challenges and Obstacles of Transferring CEE EU Pre-Accession Best Practices and Experiences to Moldova‘S and Georgia‘S Pre- Accession Process.** L. Šumskaitė (participant). 2013-2017.

Support for training and career development of researchers' career (Marie Curie), International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES). The coordinator of the project at Vilnius University is Assoc. Prof. Dovilė Jakniūnaitė at the Institute of International Relations and Political Sciences.

Main publication:

Namicheishvili, S., Šumskaitė, L. Social Policy of Combating Domestic Violence in Georgia and Lithuania, *STEPP: Social theory, empirics, policy and practice*, ISSN 1648-2425 (in English) in press.

EUROMOD - Microsimulation Tool for Modelling the Impact of Policy Measures.

Funded by the European Commission, coordinated by the University of Essex. Dr. J. Navickė (participant).

The project aims to regularly update and maintain EUROMOD – a tax-benefit microsimulation tool for the 28 EU member states. As an output of the project in 2016 an annual report on Lithuania was prepared, the Lithuanian component of the model and data updated up to 2016. Funded by the European Commission.

Main publication:

Navicke, J. EUROMOD country report: Lithuania 2013-2016. ISER (forthcoming).

Social mobility in Europe. Case study – BALTIC COUNTRIES. Internal reference number: 2016/150024/4119. Eurofound. Prof. R. Lazuta, Dr. J. Navickė (participants).

The outputs of the project included a) commentary on the data analysis and the information from the network of European Correspondents on Social Mobility in the Baltics; b) expert workshop on social mobility in the Baltics organized in Vilnius, VU on 4th November, 2016; c) summary of the main workshop findings and recommendations; d) written comments on the consolidated Eurofound's report on Social mobility in Europe. Funded by the Eurofound.

Contractual Research

Research Council of Lithuania: **Paradigm Change of Mental Health and Well-being in Lithuania: Towards Empirically Valid Model.** (No. GER-15070). Assoc. Prof. E. Šumskienė (head of the researchers' team). Dr. J. Mataitytė, Dr. D. Petružytė (participants).

Data collection stage has been finalized. It includes qualitative interviews with 30 patients, 20 experts of mental health care, 500 quantitative interviews with patients, as well as statistical data collected from health, social and police institutions. The project and its initial data has been presented during 7 scientific conferences and congresses.

Main publications:

Šumskiene, E., Jankauskaite, M., Grigaite, U. 2016. Intersection between a Social Gender and Disability: A Self-concept of Women with Disabilities in the Post-feminist Context. *Considering Disability Journal*. 2016 10 16. 1(3-4). 35 p.

Petružytė, D., Šumskienė, E., Mataitytė, J., Murauskienė, L., Germanavičius, A., Klimaitė, V. 2016. Paradigm change of mental health and well-being in Lithuania. Conference paper abstract. APPAC ARCHIVES. *Quarterly Journal of the Association of Psychology and Psychiatry for Adults and Children*. Vol. 24, N.2. Athens, Greece, 2016. p.3.

Šumskiene, E. 2016. Human rights of persons with intellectual disabilities in Lithuanian social care institutions. *Journal of Intellectual Disability Research*. Global Partnerships: Enhancing Research, Policy and Practice. Congress abstracts. 60 (7-8): 744.

Research Council of Lithuania: **Factors of Income Redistribution in the Baltic States: Work, Capital, Welfare State (GER-007/2015)**. Prof. R. Lazutka (principal researcher), Assoc. Prof. E. Dunajevs, Dr. J. Navickė, Assoc. Prof. D. Skučienė (participants).

This research project on income distribution in the Baltics is carried out by a group of researchers at Vilnius University. We aim at revealing the relationship between economic growth and income formation, its sources and differentiation, institutional effect on personal income and subjective valuation of inequality. The analysis covers the gap between functional distribution of income at the state level and household income at the microlevel. Funded by the Lithuanian Science Council (LMT).

Main publications:

Navickė, J, Lazutka, R. 2016. Work Incentives Across the Income Distribution and for Model Families in Lithuania: 2005-2013. *Baltic Journal of Economics*, vol. 16, Issue 2, p. 175-191.

Navickė, J., Lazutka, R. 2016. Functional and Personal Income Distribution in the Baltics: Comparison of National and Households Accounts *Business and Management, VGTU Press p. 1-10*. <http://doi.org/10.3846/bm.2016.38>.

Navickė, J, Lazutka, R. 2016. Functional and Personal Income Distribution in the Baltics: Comparison of National and Households Accounts. 9th International Scientific Conference *Business and Management*. Proceedings. May 12–13, Vilnius.

Research Council of Lithuania: **Transformations of Elderly Care Sector: the Need of the Services and Labour Force, and Quality of Work**. (GER -012-2015). Head of the Project- Prof. L. Žalimienė. 2015-2017.

To implement the goal of the project and to compare demand and supply of elderly care services, 3 empirical survey's were conducted. Population of 50-65 years old age opinion survey has a goal to understand expectations towards elderly care in the future. Survey of the opinion of home help workers is seeking to evaluate work place quality. Information about working conditions of this care providers group was collected during the interview with elderly informal carers.

Main pulication:

Žalimienė, L. 2016. *What personal social services trajectories predict „new coming“ elderly expectations?* Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development. Seoul, 2016 June 27-30. Abstract. OP004-02. 1 p.

Reports for European Social Policy Network (ESPN):

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. The challenges of an action plan to improve the integration of aliens in Lithuania. R&D Project Report. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?advSearchKey=ESPNFlash&mode=advancedSubmit&langId=lt&search.x=0&search.y=0>

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. ESPN Thematic Report on Retirement regimes for workers in arduous or hazardous jobs: Lithuania. R&D Project Report. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?pager.offset=0&langId=lt&mode=advancedSubmit&year=0&country=0&type=0&advSearchKey=ESPNwahj>

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. ESPN Thematic Report on work-life balance measures for persons of working age with dependent relatives: Lithuania. R&D Project Report. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?pager.offset=0&langId=lt&mode=advancedSubmit&year=0&country=0&type=0&advSearchKey=ESPNwlb>

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- editorial board member of the journal *Human Resources Management (Zarządzanie Zasobami Ludzkimi)*, Academy of Sciences of Poland, <http://zsl.ipiss.com.pl>;
- member of the editorial board of the scientific journal *Issues of Business and Law / Verslo ir teisės aktualijos*, <http://www.ttvam.lt/lt/mokslina-veikla/leidiniai/mokslo-darbai/verslo-ir-teises-aktualijos/redaktoriu-kolegija>;

- member of the editorial board of the scientific journal *Education of Economists and Managers* (Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw, Poland), http://eeim.kwartalnik.com.pl/?page_id=864.

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- member of the European Association for Evolutionary Economy (EAEPE), <http://eaepe.org:80/user/1994100>;
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- member of an informal NGO association “Mental Health 2030”.
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RESEARCH INTERESTS AND TRENDS

Analysis of theoretical discourses (social constructivism, theories of (post)modernity, critical theory, criminological discourses)

Sociology of education

Sociology of deviations and crime

Rural and urban sociology

Sociology of science

Sociology of youth

Sociology of ageing

Sociology of health and illness

Theoretical and empirical issues in the research on family

Corruption and anti-corruption activity

Policy analysis of social inclusion

Social economy

Role of mass media in contemporary society

Post-communist social transformation in Lithuania in the comparative perspective

Social theory of Max Weber

Methodology of comparative historical sociological research

Rational choice approach in sociology

Comparative historical sociological imperiology

RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2016

Projects Supported by University Budget

Sociological Discourses, Social Control and Time Structures. Prof. A. Poviliūnas. 2012–2016.

Research in the field of the history of sociology and analysis of the theoretical discourse was continued. The catching-up development of post-communist countries was analysed in the long-run synchronic and diachronic comparative perspective. Comparative historical sociological research on empires was continued. The issues of migration and family life were analysed. The members of the department were participating in the research programmes of criminology and deviance. The Lithuanian social policy and social policy discourse were critically analysed. Old age identity and its stigmatization in Lithuanian society were analysed, as well, as experiences of carrying out academic projects in changing bureaucratic environments.

Main publications:

Norkus, Z. 2016. Inductive Modeling and Discursive Idealization in Scenario Planning, in Borbone, Giacomo and Brzechczyn, Krzysztof. *Idealization XIV: Models in Science*, Poznań Studies in the Philosophy of the Sciences and the Humanities, vol. 108. Leiden: Brill Rodopi, p. 270-298.

Norkus, Z. 2016. Was There an Increasing Civic Culture South-North Gradient in the Baltic States, 1918-1940? An Examination of the Polity IV Database, in Jõesalu, Kirsti and Kannike, Anu (Eds), *Cultural Patterns and Life Stories*. Tallinn: Tallinn University Press, p. 352-392.

Norkus, Z. 2016. A Comparison of the Economic Growth of the Baltic States between the Two World Wars, *World Political Science*, vol. 12 (1), p. 1-23.

National Research Projects

Social Context of Corruption: An Analysis of Macro-, Mezzo-, and Micro- Factors (Contract No. MIP-15582). Dr. A. Čepas. 2015-2017.

The project is based on constructivist approach, built on a viewpoint that corruption as a social phenomenon is not a given; rather, it is being constructed in the context of social interplays. Thus the research has covered processes of formation of the concept on the global level, corruption measurement tools and the influence they exert on contemporary understanding of corruption; has also aimed to single out social, psychological, economic factors of micro level that encourage and discourage individual and group decisions to take corrupt ways for satisfaction of interests.

Main publication:

Čepas, A., Dobryninas A. 2016. Criminalization of Corruption: Philosophical and Legal Facets. *Problemos*, vol. 90. p. 20-30.

Emigration and Family: Challenges, Family Resources, Ways of Coping with Difficulties. (Contract No VAT-39/2012/ LSS-250000-643). Prof. I. Juozeliūnienė.

Main publications:

Juozeliūnienė, I., Budginaitė, I. 2016. Global migration and Family Change in the Baltic Sea Region. *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, special issue „Reshaping Families in Northern Europe“, January-February, 2016, vol. 47 (1), p. 65-86.

Juozeliūnienė, I. 2016. Using visual methods to describe migrant family change. – Book of Abstracts of the 3-rd ISA Forum of Sociology *The Futures we Want: Global Sociology and the Struggles for a Better World*, Vienna, 10-14 July, 2016, p. 341 (co-author: I. Budginaitė).

Juozeliūnienė, I. 2016. How Transnational Families are Seen to be “Troubling”? Book of Abstracts of the 3-rd ISA Forum of Sociology *The Futures we Want: Global Sociology and the Struggles for a Better World*, Vienna, 10-14 July, 2016, p. 341 (co-authors: I. Budginaitė, I. Bielevičiūtė).

Late Socialism in the Life Stories: the First Generation of the Soviet Era (Contract Nr. LIT-15128). Dr. L. Žilinskienė.

The project is seeking to analyze the late socialism phenomena through the life stories of the ‘first generation of the soviet era’ born in 1946 to 1959. The project will be developed by means of the biography methodology. The project foresees to examine the features of socialization of this generation during the period of late socialism, especially, the significance of the family institute in socialization and the social maturity processes. The project will study how the memory of late socialism is employed in different social and biographic contexts restoring the consistency of an identity in the collapse of the post-soviet system. In addition to this, the project will be seeking to identify the features of generation identity in life stories by studying both features that, in the opinion of the researcher, are analysable and the apprehensions of collective ‘we’ of the generation.

Research Council of Lithuania. Researchers’ Teams project: **Change of Values of Lithuanian Society during Twenty Years of Independence** (Contract No. MIP-15288)
Participants: Assoc. Prof. R. Žiliukaitė (Head), Prof. A. Poviliūnas, Dr. A. Savicka.

The project was aimed at analysis of values’ changes of Lithuanian society during twenty years of independence in comparative context of other European countries, using data of three waves (1990, 1999 and 2008) of European Values Study.

Main publications:

Žiliukaitė, R., Poviliūnas, A., Savicka, A. 2016. *Lietuvos visuomenės vertybių kaita per 20 nepriklausomybės metų* [Change of Values of Lithuanian Society during Twenty Years of Independence]. – Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla.

Savicka, A. 2015. “Postmaterialiųjų vertybių raida netikrumo sąlygomis. Lietuvos atvejis“. [The Development of Postmaterialist Values in Conditions of Uncertainty. Lithuanian Case’.

Sociologija: mintis ir veiksmai, 2015/2(37): 106-119. DOI:
<http://dx.doi.org/10.15388/SocMintVei.2015.2.9867>

Poviliūnas, A. 2016. Kodėl Lietuvos socialinės įtraukties politika yra būtent tokia, kokia yra? [Why Lithuania social inclusion policy is exactly such as it is]. *STEPP: Socialinė teorija, empirija, politika ir praktika* (forthcoming).

Reports for European Social Policy Network (ESPN):

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. ESPN Thematic Report on work-life balance measures for persons of working age with dependent relatives: Lithuania. R&D Project Report. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?pager.offset=0&langId=lt&mode=advancedSubmit&year=0&country=0&type=0&advSearchKey=ESPNwlb>

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. ESPN Flash Report : Resistance to the deinstitutionalisation of the childcare system in Lithuania. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?pager.offset=390&langId=lt&mode=advancedSubmit&policyArea=0&subCategory=0&year=0&country=0&type=0>

Lazutka, R., Poviliūnas, A., Žalimienė, L. ESPN thematic report on minimum income schemes: Lithuania. R&D Project Report. 2016.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/keyDocuments.jsp?pager.offset=0&langId=en&mode=advancedSubmit&year=0&country=0&type=0&advSearchKey=ESPNmis>

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- editorial board member of the Universal Lithuanian Encyclopaedia;
- editorial board member of the journal *Teisės problemos* (*Legal Issues*);

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- member of the Family Research Committee (RC 06) of the International Sociological Association (ISA), www.rc06-isa.org;
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- editorial board member of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija* (Philosophy, Sociology), <http://www.lmaleidykla.lt/filosofijasociologija/2010/3/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Santalka*, <http://www.coactivity.vgtu.lt/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Przestrzeń Społeczna (Social Space)*, <http://socialspacejournal.eu/indexpl.html>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Baltic Journal of Political Science*, <http://www.zurnalai.vu.lt/baltic-journal-of-political-science/pages/view/editorial-board>;
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- Lietuvos istorijos studijos (Studies of Lithuania's History), <http://www.lis.lt/index.php?id=redakcija&lang=LT>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Research in Social Change* (Slovenia), <http://www.fuds.si/en/publishing>;
- member of the Board of the Research Network 36 “Sociology of Transformation: East and West”, <http://www.europeansociology.org/research-networks/200-rn36-sociology-of-transformations.html>;
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- member of Advisory Board of the COMPASSS (COMPARative Methods for Systematic cross-caSe analySis) network, <http://www.compass.org/people.htm>.

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- head of the Doctoral Studies Committee of Sociology, Vilnius University;
- member of the Research Council of the Law Institute of Lithuania, http://www.teise.org/Council_of_Law_Institute.html.

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Assoc. Prof. R. Žiliukaitė –

- National programme director, European Value Survey, <http://www.europeanvaluesstudy.eu/evs/about-evs/organisation/newcouncil/>;
- editorial board member of the journal *Kultūra ir visuomenė: socialinių tyrimų žurnalas*, [file:///C:/Users/Admin/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/IE/8XIBI8SL/I skarpa KIV 7 1.pdf](file:///C:/Users/Admin/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/IE/8XIBI8SL/I%20skarpa%20KIV%207%201.pdf);
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- member of the Interagency Commission on Implementation of the National Program for Crime Prevention and Control by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, <https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/lt/legalAct/TAR.B407818CEA8A>;
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- member of the Lithuanian Association of Criminology, <http://www.kriminologija.lt/apie-mus/>;
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- National representative in the COST IS1106 activity “Offender Supervision in Europe”. Member of the Working Group “European policy and practice”, <http://www.offendersupervision.eu/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/OSE-Progress-Report-2014.pdf?b7f3d7> .

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- National representative in the COST IS1402 activity „Ageism - a multi-national, interdisciplinary perspective“ Management Committee (2014 – 2018);
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