

## **THE HISTORY OF ROMANIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE: TEXTBOOKS AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE ACADEMICS AT OVIDIUS UNIVERSITY IN THIS FIELD**

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**Abstract:** *Ovidius University of Constanta promotes a sustained policy of internationalization which leads to a raise of the number of foreign students who have decided to attend this university. This policy is not very easy to sustain, but based on the common efforts and determination of all teachers, the results can easily be seen.*

*The majority of these students will attend courses in Romanian, so they need to learn and pass the examination of a one-year course of Romanian Language for Foreign Students. In order for this course to be better liked and more accessible for foreign students coming from all over the world, the teachers from the Preparatory Year have published very useful coursebooks to be used by the foreign students of the Romanian language. Over time, these instruments have been permanently improved and adapted to the first level A1-A2.*

*So, creating and publishing new and attractive courses that use new methods of teaching Romanian as a Foreign Language is a permanent and constant interest for all the academics involved, with a new useful and loved course of B1-B2 level being prepared to be published soon.*

*The article presents the evolution of all the existing courses created and published by academics teaching at “Ovidius” University of Constanța used for teaching Romanian as a foreign language, and analyzes the methods used by their authors.*

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