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## Contact and consultation hours

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## Taught subjects

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## Subject area

Social work with families  
Gender competence of social workers  
Critical social work  
Street-level bureaucracy

## Education

2024	Associate Professor, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies, Social Work
2014–2018	Doctoral studies, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies, Social Work
2011–2014	Master's studies, Masaryk University Brno, Faculty of Social Studies, Social Work
2011–2013	Master's studies, Masaryk University Brno, Faculty of Social Studies, Public Policy and Human Resources
2008–2011	Bachelor's studies, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Arts, Counseling in Social Work
2008–2011	Bachelor's studies, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Arts, German in Business
2004–2007	Higher Vocational School of Social Work, Social Work

## Further education

September 2023–June 2024:	Educational program Possibilities of Dialogue (training in collaborative-dialogic practice with accreditation by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs and with certification by the International Network of Collaborative-Dialogic Practice, 170 hours)
September 2018–May 2019:	Accredited course Community Work in the Context of Socially Excluded Localities (100 hours)

## Selected work experience

2024–present	University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies, Department of Social Work, position: Associate Professor, Researcher
2021–2025	University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies, position: Head of the Department of Social Work
2018–2024	University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies, Department of Social Work, position: Assistant Professor, Researcher

## Other professional experience

2022–2025	Rosteam, s.r.o., position: lecturer, evaluator
2016–2021	Social Work Journal: Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / CSSW (ASVSP and ERIS), position: administrator of academic articles of the English edition
2014–2017	SocioFactor s.r.o., position: researcher

## Membership in bodies

2025–present: member of the Board for Doctoral Studies, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

2025–present: member of the Scientific Board, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

2021–2026: member of the Program Councils, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

2023–2025: member of the Disciplinary Committee, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

2021–2023: member of the Ethics Committee, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

2015–2018: member of the Scholarship Committee, University of Ostrava, Faculty of Social Studies

## Awards

2014 I. A. Bláha Scholarship

## Selected research projects

2023-2028: “Excellent research in the field of digital technologies and wellbeing” funded by OP JAK, CZ.02.01.01/00/22\_008/0004583 / co-investigator

2024-2026: “Social dimension of new technologies in energy in the Ostrava metropolitan area”, OP JAK, CZ.02.01.01/00/23\_021/0008591 / co-investigator

2020–2022: “Development of tools to support fathers’ involvement in social activation services for families with children and their pilot verification in practice” is implemented with the financial support of TA CR, TJ04000152: Zéta program / principal investigator

2018–2020: “Development of software for responsive evaluation and planning of community work as a tool for development of effective and efficient practice in the field of social inclusion

## Selected Publications

### Article in an Impacted Journal

Mertl, J., **Gřundělová**, B., Gojová, A., Broskevičová, Z., Kowolová, I. The New Role of Social Work: The Social Worker-Client Relationship in the Digitalised Society as Hotline-Level Bureaucracy. *Journal of Social Work Practice*. In press.

**Gřundělová**, B., Mertl, J. Becoming a “Good” Father in Context of Czech Social Work. *Social Inclusion*. Available from: <https://www.cogitatiopress.com/socialinclusion/article/view/10878/4888>

Mertl, J., **Gřundělová**, B. Criminalisation of Truancy as a Manifestation of Advanced Marginality that Mothers should be Blamed for: Media Framing in the Czech Republic. *Crime, Media, Culture*. Available from: [https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/17416590251405761?utm\\_source=researchgate.net&utm\\_medium=article](https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/17416590251405761?utm_source=researchgate.net&utm_medium=article)

**Gřundělová, B., Broskevičová, Z. a Kowolová, I.** Negotiating access to hard-to-reach populations through institutional gatekeepers in social work research. *The British Journal of Social Work*. 2024, 54(6), 2790-2807. Available from: <https://academic.oup.com/bjsw/article-abstract/54/6/2790/7637659?redirectedFrom=fulltext>

**Gřundělová, B., Broskevičová, Z. a Kowolová, I.** When a gatekeeper denies a researcher access: circumstances of gate closure in social work research. *Research Ethics*. 2024, 21(4), 623-643. Available from: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/17470161241273813>

Broskevičová, Z., **Gřundělová, B.** a Kowolová, I. "It Puts Them in the Role of Zoo Animals": Gatekeeping, Research Fatigue and Over-Researched Populations in Czech Social Work Research. *Journal of Social Service Research*. 2024, 50(4), 548-561. Available from: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/01488376.2024.2348530>

**Gřundělová, B., Černý, J., Gojová, A., Stanková, Z. a Lisník, J.** The Shadow Fathers: Barriers to Whole Family Approach in Social Work. *Journal of Family Research*. 2023, 2023(35), 85-102. Available from: <https://ubp.uni-bamberg.de/jfr/index.php/jfr/article/view/796/696>

Burda, M., Gojová, A., **Gřundělová, B.**, Malina, M., Stanková, Z., Štěpnička, M. a Vajgl, M. EVKA-Fuzzy Modelling Based System for the Decision-Making Support of Community Workers. *Social Science Computer Review*. 2022, 1-33. Available from: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/08944393221117912>

**Gřundělová, B. a Gojová, A.** Gendered Practices of Family Social Workers: The Case of the Czech Republic. *International Social Work*. 2022, 65(4), 622-637. Available from: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0020872820911678>

**Gřundělová, B.** Client Experience of Street-Level Activation Practices: Implementation of Discourage Policy in the Czech Republic. *Critical Social Policy*. 2021, 41(4), 566-585. Available from: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0261018320980583>

Gojová, A., Burda, M., **Gřundělová, B.**, Stanková, Z. a Gojová, V. Variables of community social work and their interconnections in socio-spatial excluded neighbourhoods – example of the Czech Republic. *European Journal of Social Work*. 2021, 24(6), 1001-1014. Available from: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/13691457.2021.1882398>

Glumbíková, K., Gojová, A. a **Gřundělová, B.** Critical reflection of the reintegration process through the lens of gender oppression: The case of social work with mothers in shelters. *European Journal of Social Work*. 2019, 22(4), 575-586. Available from: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/13691457.2018.1441132>

**Gřundělová, B. a Stanková, Z.** The Shadow Fathers in Social Work with Families: Barriers to Whole Family Working. *The British Journal of Social Work*. 2019, 49(7), 1913-1931. Available from: <https://academic.oup.com/bjsw/advance-article/doi/10.1093/bjsw/bcy110/5240813?questAccessKey=e6adaad2-d160-48a0-be36-151bf054c48B>

## Article in journals (Scopus database)

**Gřundělová, B., Pavlica, K. a Lisník, J.** Zapojování otců v sociálně aktivizačních službách pro rodiny s dětmi v České republice. *Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2023, 23(6), 52-69. Available from: <https://socialnprace.cz/article/zapojovani-otcu-v-socialne-aktivizacnich-sluzbach-pro-rodiny-s-detmi-v-ceske-republice/>

Broskevičová, Z. a **Gřundělová, B.** Negotiating relationships between researchers, gatekeepers, and hard-to-reach groups of population as a challenge for social work research. *Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2023, 23(1), 4-17. Available from: <https://socialnprace.cz/en/article/negotiating-relationships-between-researchers-gatekeepers-and-hard-to-reach-groups-of-population-as-a-challenge-for-social-work-research-2/>

**Gřundělová, B.** Activation Policy in the Czech Republic: A Failing Tool to Fight Poverty and Social Exclusion. *Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2022, 4(22), 36-53. Available from: <https://socialnprace.cz/article/activation-policy-in-the-czech-republic-a-failing-tool-to-fight-poverty-and-social-exclusion/>

**Gřundělová, B.** Faktory ovlivňující zapojení otců v sociální práci s rodinou. *Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2020, 20(2), 79-98. Available from: <https://socialnprace.cz/article/factory-ovlivnujici-zapojeni-otcu-v-socialni-praci-s-rodinou/>

**Gřundělová, B.** Hodnocení implementace české aktivační politiky. *Sociální práce / Sociálna práca / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2020, 6(20), 55-72. Available from: <https://socialnprace.cz/article/hodnoceni-implementace-ceske-aktivacni-politiky/>

**Gřundělová, B. a Stanková, Z.** Hope in Homeless People: Potential for Implementation of Person-Centred Planning in Homeless Shelters? *Practice: Social Work in Action*. 2019, 25, 1-19. Available from: <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09503153.2019.1695109>

**Gřundělová, B.** Genderové aspekty v sociální práci s rodinou – implikace pro vzdělávání. *Sociální práce / Sociální práce / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2019, 19(3), 53-67. Available from: <https://socialniprace.cz/article/genderove-aspekty-v-socialni-praci-s-rodinou-implikace-pro-vzdelavani/>

**Gřundělová, B.** Janusova tvář aktivace: mezi disciplinací a zmocněním. *Sociální práce / Sociální práce / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2019, 19(6), 5-20. Available from: <https://socialniprace.cz/article/janusova-tvar-aktivace-mez-disciplinaci-a-zmocnenim/>

**Gřundělová, B.** Kritická reflexe konstrukce mateřství a otcovství v sociální práci s rodinou. *Sociální práce / Sociální práce / Czech and Slovak Social Work*. 2018, 18(3), 40-53. Available from: <https://socialniprace.cz/article/kriticka-reflexe-konstrukce-materstvi-a-otcovstvi-v-socialni-praci-s-rodinou/>

Glumbíková, K., **Gřundělová, B.** a Gojová, A. Intersekcionalita útlaku u matek bez domova z azylových domů. *Gender a výzkum / Gender and Research*. 2018, 18(2), 163-181. Available from: <https://www.genderonline.cz/pdfs/gav/2018/02/08.pdf>

## Book Chapter

Gojová, A., Černá, E. a **Gřundělová, B.** Focusing on Oppression in Social Work Education. In: R. Baikady (ed.). *Social Work in an Unequal World*. Oxford University Press, 2025. s. 293-316. ISBN 9780197807569.

**Gřundělová, B.** Aktivace nezaměstnaných. In: O. Matoušek a kol. (eds.). *Strategie a postupy v sociální práci*. 1. vyd. Praha: Portál, 2022. s. 233-238. ISBN 978-80-262-1952-1.

**Gřundělová, B.** a Poláčková, E. Práce s domácím násilím. In: Matoušek, O. (Ed). *Strategie a postupy v sociální práci*. Praha: Portál, 2022. s. 273-279. ISBN 978-80-262-1952-1.

## Research report

**Gřundělová, B.**, Mertl, J., Geregová, M., Plíhal, D. *Analýza situace v oblasti závislosti v Ostravě*. Ostrava: FSS OU a MMO, 2025. Available from: <https://kpostrava.cz/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Analiza-situace-v-oblasti-zavislosti-v-Ostrave-2025.pdf>

**Gřundělová, B.**, Gojová, A., Stanková, Z., Černý, J. a Lisník, J. *Podmínky zapojování otců v sociálně aktivizačních službách pro rodiny s dětmi*. 2022. Available from: [https://dokumenty.osu.cz/fss/projekty/zapojeni-otcu/podminky-zapojovani-otcu-souhrnna\\_vyzkumna\\_zprava-2022.pdf](https://dokumenty.osu.cz/fss/projekty/zapojeni-otcu/podminky-zapojovani-otcu-souhrnna_vyzkumna_zprava-2022.pdf)  
Other publications

**Gřundělová, B.**, Kowolová, I., Stejskalová, J., Stanková, Z. a Marszalková, I. *Metodika k zapojování otců nejen v sociálně aktivizačních službách pro rodiny s dětmi*. Ostrava: Ostravská univerzita, 2022. Available from: <https://dokumenty.osu.cz/fss/projekty/zapojeni-otcu/metodika-zapojovani-otcu.pdf>

## Selected teaching and guaranteeing of subjects

In the doctoral study program Social Work: Article, Full-time assignments, Publication activity, Research projects

In the follow-up master's study program Social Work: Gender-sensitive approaches in SP with families, Critical social work, Seminar for the diploma thesis

In the bachelor's study program Social Work: Social policy fields, Social policy and its implementation in social security law, Introduction to study and work with professional text, Qualitative research methods, Seminar for the bachelor's thesis

## Research and teaching stays abroad

September-October 2025:	Belgium, Ghent, Ghent University, Department of Social Work & Social Pedagogy, research internship
May 2024:	Germany, Berlin, Katholische Hochschule für Sozialwesen Berlin, Erasmus+ teaching mobility
December 2023:	Germany, Cologne, Katholische Hochschule Nordrhein-Westfalen, Erasmus+ teaching mobility
March 2022:	Slovenia, Ljubljana, University of Ljubljana, Erasmus+ teaching mobility
September 2018:	Germany, Vechta, Universität Vechta, Erasmus+ staff mobility for training
October-November 2016:	Austria, Fachhochschule Vorarlberg, research stay for the purpose of developing a dissertation