

## Curriculum vitae

### **Marija Liudvika Drazdauskiene (née Rutkauskaite)**

Born: 30 July 1944 in the town Marijampole, Lithuania  
Divorced, has two adult sons

Nationality: Lithuanian

#### Formation:

1950-1961 a pupil of secondary school (Secondary school No. 2 in the town Marijampole, Lithuania).

In 1961 received Certificate of Secondary Education and the Gold Medal Award to it for excellent knowledge and creditable behaviour.

1962-1967 a student in the Department of English Philology, University of Vilnius, in the Programme of English Language and Literature.

In 1967 graduated from the University of Vilnius qualified as a teacher of English and a linguist with a philological bias, and received a respective Diploma with Honours.

1967-1970 a postgraduate in the Department of English at Moscow University guided by Professor Olga S. Akhmanova.

In 1970 presented the first Doctoral dissertation and had Doctor's degree (*i.e.* Candidate of Philology, formerly) conferred on her in English style and philology (in the continental sense of this word).

1971-2002 a lecturer and Docent in the Department of English Philology, University of Vilnius. The academic title of Docent was conferred on her in 1975-1977.

In 1976 participant of the Summer Programme for the Soviet Teachers of English at UCLA, USA.

1982-1984 a two-years Sabbatical taken up to write the second Doctoral dissertation. The dissertation was completed in 1983 and approved in the Department of English Philology, University of Vilnius, in January 1984. The dissertation was officially presented only in 1994 because of the political transformations in the meantime in Eastern Europe. The second Doctoral dissertation earned MLD the degree *Doctor habilitatus* in English and the humanities, which was conferred on her with the issue of a respective Diploma on 21 October 1994.

In 1991-1998 headed an IPrA (International Pragmatics Association) Distribution Center for the Baltic States in the University of Vilnius and was a trusted representative of the European Association for Lexicography (EURALEX) at the University of Vilnius.

In 1991 an invited participant in the Fifth International Lexicography Course at the University of Exeter, UK.

In 1971-2002, as a researcher and author, MLD published three small books on English style, a Reader, *Myths, Tales, and Legends*, for secondary schools, which was issued in several editions in Lithuania and Latvia, and over seventy articles

on English style and different questions of Applied Linguistics in English, Lithuanian and Russian, which appeared in Lithuania and abroad.

Made redundant in the University of Vilnius and retired at the formal age (locally) of fifty-eight in August 2002, continued publishing.

At present is engaged in completing a textbook on English style.

In 1976-2004 participated in over a dozen international Conferences and Congresses in Poland, Lithuania, Greece and the Czech Republic, and had about ten of the presentations published.

2008-the present Professor at the Wszechnica Polska, a higher school, Warsaw, Poland.

Spheres of interest

Singing and guitar playing in secondary school; ballet gymnastics at the University with a second grade achieved in it; international politics.

Divers: classical music, knitting and indoor plants.

Permis de conduire (but no driving practice).

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