Professor Alexandra Orlich, a 21-year resident of the Town of Paradise Valley and a native of Romania, is a recipient of the $20,000 Associated Students of Arizona State University Centennial Professor Award for the 2001-2002 academic year. This is the first time that ASASU has selected Centennial Professors.

Professor Orlich, a graduate of the universities of Bucharest and Arizona State, has been teaching at ASU since 1984. The 2001-2002 Centennial Professors will mark the beginning of a tradition in which exceptional faculty are acknowledged and rewarded by the students of Arizona State University.

Professor Orlich, who teaches Romanian, English, and comparative literature in the Department of Languages and Literatures at ASU, is the director of the Romanian Program and the ASU Central Eastern European Summer Program in Romania, a four-week session at the Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj, the capital city of Transylvania.

For information about student enrollment in the trip, see story on page A12 of today’s paper.
Town resident leads ASU summer program in Eastern Europe

Students from all colleges and universities are eligible to take part in a four-week tour of Romania and Eastern Europe led by the Arizona State University Summer Program directed by Paradise Valley resident Dr. (Heana) Alexandr Orlich.

Dr. Orlich, a professor of Romanian, English, and comparative literature in the department of Languages and Literatures at ASU, is the director of the Romanian program of the ASU Central European Summer Program in Romania. The latter is a four-week session at the Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj, the capital of Transylvania. The program also includes visits to other cities of Transylvania, such as Sighisoara (the birthplace of Dracula) and Bran (the site of Dracula's castle), as well as to the capital city of Romania, Bucharest, and to the medieval monasteries of Moldova.

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She is a recipient of the $20,000 Associated Students of Arizona State University Centennial Professor Award for the 2001-2002 academic year. The summer program was made possible as a result of a 1998 Academic Exchange Agreement signed in Cluj between President Lattie Coor of Arizona State University and Rector Andrei Marga of Babes-Bolyai University.

It is open to qualified college students interested in Romanian language and the culture and politics of Central Eastern Europe, who desire to study, travel and experience different customs and the post-communist transition to democracy in the former Soviet bloc countries.

Students from other universities in the United States are encouraged to apply. Academic credit is offered at undergraduate and graduate levels in English, history, humanities, political science and women's studies.

The cost is $2,300 (subject to change). It includes housing, meals and organized cultural travel. Not included are the registration fee ($126 per credit hour) and airfare (approximately $900).

For more information and application forms, contact Dr. Heana Alexandr Orlich, Department of Languages and Literatures, Languages and Literatures Building Room 402A, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287-0202.

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