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Language competencies: English, German, Russian, Sakha, Mongol

Scientific degree: Phd

Fields of interest, research topics, keywords: Social anthropology, Social capital, Narrative Knowledge, Linguistic anthropology, Postsoviet studies, Postcolonialism

## Education, Degree

2000 Diploma on Mongolian Studies at the State University of Mongolia

2004 Diploma on Evenki and Sakha Studies at the State University of Yakutia

2006 M.A. degree in European Ethnology and Folkloristics at Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest

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2007 Diploma at the Folklore Fellows Summer School

2011 PhD degree at the ELTE BTK (Summa cum laude)

## Grants

2000 Hungarian State Scholarship Board

2001 Scientific Scholarship of Eötvös Loránd University

2001 Mediawave Foundation

2002 Soros Foundation, Open Society Institute, Supplementary Grants Program

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2007 Travel Grant from the Folklore Fellows

2007 Travel Stipend from the American Folklore Society

2008 Eötvös Grant (Hungarian State Scholarship Board)

2010 Junior Fellowship at Collegium Budapest

2011 Eötvös Grant (Hungarian State Scholarship Board)

## Employment

MTA BTI NKI research fellow

## Career

### Research Activities

Symbolic Landscapes and Ethnic Relations in Russia. Grant Number: K81267, Hungarian State Research Found. 2010- 2014

### Field Experience

1997 Slovakia, two weeks in the former *Hont* region. Research interest: the use of mass media.

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2000 Mongolia, one month in *Selenge* and in *Khentij* counties. Research interest: Khamnigan social structure.

2001 Yugoslavia, two weeks in *Maradék, Szerémség*. Research interest: dowry and wedding dance.

2001 Mongolia, one month in *Dornod* county. Research interest: Khamnigan social structure.

2002– 2004 Yakutia, two years in *Ust'-Allan* and *Ust'-Maja* regions. Research interest: social capital and narrative knowledge.

2005 Yakutia, three months in *Ust'-Aldan* region. Research interest: transformations of postsoviet agriculture.

2009-2010 Yakutia. Research interest: written narratives in village communities.

### **Teaching Activities**

2004: Teaching English at the secondary school of K p, Yakutia

2007 spring semester: seminar on the interpretation of small-scale genres of oral literature at the Department of Inner-Asian Studies of E tv s Lor nd University

2007 autumn semester: lectures on folkloristics and ethnography at the Balassi Institute for Hungarian Studies

2008 spring semester: seminar on riddle-analysis at the Department of Folklore Studies

2008-2010: lectures on folkloristics and ethnography at the Balassi Institute for Hungarian Studies

2009: lecturing linguistic anthropology at the Yakutsk State University

### **Publications**

[Publications in the Repertory of Hungarian Scientific Works](#)

### **Other scientific publications**

#### **Database, bibliography, dictionary, webpage**

2011 Developing the “eMagyarul 5” on-line database at the Balassi Institute for Hungarian Studies for teaching ethnography

### **Film, photography & multimedia**

2005 Expert and translator for the HUNNIA studio in Yakutia

### **Exhibitions**

2004 Arranging the *Urukku agha uustar anygy ud'uordar* ["Ancient lineages, present descendants"] Exhibition at the Dmitrij Aprosimov Museum in K p, Yakutia

### **Professional talks, papers or posters**

2005 Paris

*Day of Yakutia at UNESCO*

Yakut and Evenki Lineages in an Evenki village of the Majda-T rd  region.

2005 Yakutsk

*150 let Vladimira Iohel'sona*

Researches on the Yukaghirs in Hungary.

2005 Budapest

*Russian-Hungarian joint symposium on the semiotics of eating*

The meaning of dairy-food at contemporary Yakut yhyakhs

2007 Viena, Karelia

*7<sup>th</sup> Folklore Fellows Summer School*

Discourse-types and Meta-Folklore: The Problem of Identifying and Recognising Texts during Fieldwork

2007 Szekszárd

*International Humor Symposium (PTE IGYFK)*

Funny Guy or Village Fool? Social Factors of the Evaluations of Humour and Jokes among Evenkis and Sakhas

2007 Québec

*Annual Meeting of the American Folklore Society – Association Canadienne d’Ethnologie et de Folklore*

The Meadow (*Alaas*) as a Sakha Cultural Space

2008 Ljubljana

*Biennial Conference of the European Association of Social Anthropology: Experiencing diversity and mutuality*

Kin-group Characters and Competition for Local Resources in Rural Yakutia

2010 Budapest

*Collegium Budapest Lecture*

Social Capital and Narrative Knowledge in two Village Communities in Yakutia

2011 Halle

*Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology Department 2. Meeting*

Surnames, Reputation and Personality

## **Social activities**

### **Membership, ranks**

European Association of Social Anthropologists, member

Folklore Fellows, member

Open Society Network, member

Hungarian Ethnographical Society, Branch of Ethnology, secretary