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## György (George) László Geréby

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<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Budapest</b> <b>MA in Philosophy, 1982</b> <b>MA in Hungarian Philology, 1983</b>
<b>ADVANCED DEGREES</b>	<b>Habilitation, ELTE, 2010 (no. 669/2010): “God and empire. Chapters in the history of political theology.” (See book in LoP below.)</b>  <b>CSc (Candidate of Science, Hung. Acad. Scient., PhD equivalent), 1996. <i>Proclus: The elements of physics. Translation, commentary and studies.</i> (1996) Partly published as articles nos. 28, 29</b>
<b>PERMANENT APPOINTMENTS</b>	<b>Associate prof., Medieval Studies Dept., Central European University, Budapest, since 2007</b>  <b>Associate professor (docens) at the Dept. of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest. Sept. 2001 – July 2007</b>  <b>Adjunct professor (adjunktus) at the Dept. of Metaphysics, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Sept. 1992 – July 2001</b>  <b>Adjunct professor, Department of Literary Theory, Janus Pannonius University, Pécs, Hungary, Sept. 1982 – August 1992</b>
<b>VISITING APPOINTMENTS</b>	<b>Isaiah Berlin Visiting Professorship in the History of Ideas (Corpus Christi College, Oxford, Hilary Term, 2018)</b>  <b>Keeley Visiting Fellow, Wadham College, Oxford (academic year 2013/4)</b>  <b>Fulbright Teaching Fellow, Rutgers University, Center for Russian and East Central European Studies, AY 2002/3.</b>  <b>Department of Philosophy, University of Liverpool, 2nd semester, 2001/2. Two courses.</b>  <b>Department of Philosophy, University of Liverpool, 1st semester, 1996/7. Two courses</b>
<b>REGULAR COURSES</b>	<b>Recurrent visiting professor at ELTE, Religious Studies MA (yearly one course)</b>

## **ACADEMIC INTERESTS**

### **AOS:**

**Late Antique and Mediaeval philosophy, Latin and Byzantine (esp. theories of language and logic, metaphysics, epistemology, natural philosophy)**  
**Comparative history of late antique and medieval philosophical theology (Latin and Byzantine)**  
**Political theology (Carl Schmitt, Erik Peterson, and its history)**  
**Early Christianity and Patristic studies**  
**Philosophy of religion**

### **AOC:**

**Ancient philosophy (Plato, Aristotle, Hellenistic philosophy)**  
**Classical metaphysics and epistemology**  
**Political philosophy**  
**Philosophy of history**

### **FELLOWSHIPS**

**Fulbright Foundation, Lecturing Fellow, Rutgers University, 2003.**

### **AWARDS**

**Titulary Professor (ELTE, 2020)**

**Széchenyi Professorship Award, Hungarian Ministry of Education, 1998-2002.**

**MTA (Hungarian Academy of Sciences) - Soros Foundation Award, 1986.**

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Osteuropastipendiat, Université de Fribourg, Switzerland, 10 months in 1991.**

**British Council Research Fellow, Pembroke College, Oxford, Hilary Term 1994.**

**Visiting Graduate Student, St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, 1986/87.**

### **ACADEMIC PLANS**

- 1. I am presently in the finishing stage of a commentary in English on the *Protevangelium of James*, a second-century apocryphon for Brepols. I have already published three papers on the *Protevangelium* (in Hungarian) and held lectures on my interpretation (e.g. at the AELAC 2015 meeting).**
- 2. Next I plan to write up my five Isaiah Berlin lectures for a book. I have written versions of the lectures which account for about 40% of the final manuscript.**
- 3. I have an invitation to publish a journal article on Carl Schmitt's**

**Römische Katholizismus und politische Form (1922).**

**REFEREES**

Patrick Geary (IAS, Princeton)  
Guy Stroumsa (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)  
Mark Edwards (Christ Church College, Oxford)  
Matthew Kempshall (Wadham College, Oxford)  
Michael Hollerich (St. Thomas Univeristy)  
Pawel Figurski (Polish AS)

**Publications:**

**BOOK**

*Isten és birodalom. Politikai teológia.* [God and empire. Political theology.]  
New electronic edition: <https://mersz.hu/isten-es-birodalom> ISBN: 978 963 454 439 5 DOI: [10.1556/9789634544395](https://doi.org/10.1556/9789634544395) Budapest: Akadémiai Kiadó, 2019.  
Originally: *Isten és birodalom. Politikai teológia.* [God and empire. Political theology.] (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2009)

**EDITED BOOKS**

„*Királyá lett a te istened*” *Fejezetek a politikai teológia történetéből.* [“Your god is king.” Chapters in the history of political theology.] Ed. Borbély, G., Gábor, Gy., Geréby, Gy., Szántó, V. (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2008).

Bodnár, I., Betegh, G., Geréby, Gy., Lautner, P. eds. *Töredékes hagyomány. Steiger Kornélnak.* [The fragmented tradition. Festschrift K. Steiger] (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2006).

Perczel, I., Forrai, R., Geréby, G. eds., *The Eucharist in Theology and Philosophy. Issues Of Doctrinal History In East And West From Patristic Age To The Reformation.* (Leuven: Peeters, 2001). [Ancient and Medieval Philosophy - Series 1](#). Vol. 35.

Vidrányi, Katalin, *Krisztológia és antropológia. Összegyűjtött tanulmányok.* [Christology and anthropology. Collected studies.] eds. Geréby, Gy., Molnár, P. (Budapest: Osiris, 1998).

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

1. ‘The Lord of the Liturgy. Political Theology in the Byzantine Liturgies’ in Johanna Dale, Pieter Bytbeier, Pawel Figurski (eds.). *Political Liturgies in the High Middle Ages. Beyond the Legacy of Ernst H. Kantorowicz.* Brepols, 2022, 61-92.

2. ‘The Theology of the Dionysius.’ in Mark Edwards, Dimitrios Pallis, Georgios Steiris (eds.). *The Oxford Handbook of Dionysius the Areopagite.* Oxford, 2022, 670-686.

[https://www.academia.edu/51115659/co\\_edited\\_The\\_Oxford\\_Handbook\\_of\\_Dionysius\\_the\\_Areopagite](https://www.academia.edu/51115659/co_edited_The_Oxford_Handbook_of_Dionysius_the_Areopagite)

3. ‘Does Jerusalem still need Athens?’ in Ilaria E. Ramelli, John A. McGuckin, Piotr Ashwin-Siejkowski (eds.) *T&T Handbook of the Early Church.* London – New York, 2022, 597-619.

4. ‘A Jakab-ősevangélium (Protevangélium Jacobi).’ in L. Perendy, M.

Vida (eds.) *A patrisztika műhelyeiből.* [Studies in patristics.] Budapest: L'Harmattan - Sapientia, 181-223. Sapientia Füzetek 38.

5. 'The angels of the nations. Is national Christianity possible?' in T. A. Bács, Á. Bollók and T. Vida (eds.) *Across the Mediterranean – Along the Nile. Studies in Egyptology, Nubiology and Late Antiquity Dedicated to László Török on the Occasion of His 75th Birthday.* Budapest: Akadémiai, 2019. vol 2, 819-848. (Expanded English version of 25.)

6. 'A mentális ima Evagriosz Pontikosznál és Loyolai szent Ignácnál.' [Mental prayer in Evagrius of Pontus and St. Ignatius of Loyola] in Baán I., Görföl T., Nacsinák G. A. , Ötvös Cs. (eds.) *A Jézus-ima és a keleti szerzetesség.* [The Jesus-prayer and Eastern Monasticism] 2018. 139-153

7. 'Ez az igaz hit, tanítás és vallás, amiben semmiféle újdonság nincsen.' II Jeremiás pátriárka és a tübingeni teológusok levélváltása az Augsburgi Hitvallásról.' [This is the true faith, doctrine and religion in which there is nothing new: The correspondence between patriarch Jeremiah II and the Tübingen theologians] *Studia patristica* 9 [In Hungarian], 2019.

8. "A politikai forma és az egyház: Hans Barion és Carl Schmitt." [The political form and the church: Hans Barion and Carl Schmitt.] in Cs. Kiss, L. (ed.) *Carl Schmitt politikai filozófiája.* [The legal philosophy of Carl Schmitt.] Budapest: Akadémiai, 2022. (In print.)

9. "Hidden Themes in Fourteenth-Century Byzantine and Latin Theological Debates: Monarchianism and Crypto-Dyophysitism." Martin Hinterberger and Chris Schabel, eds., *Greeks, Latins, and Intellectual History 1204-1500.* Leuven-Paris-Walpole, MA: Peeters, 2011, 183-211. (= *Recherches de Théologie et Philosophie médiévales - Bibliotheca* 11)

10. with Nagy, P. "The life of Hermit Stephen Obazine." in M. Rubin (ed.) *Medieval Christianity in Practice.* Princeton University Press 2009, 299-310.

11. "Dr Historian and Mr Divine." in: *Religio Academici. Essays On Scepticism, Religion and the Pursuit of Knowledge.* Eds. P. Losonczi, A. Szigeti, and M. Vassányi. (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2009), 22-33.

12. "Reasons and arguments in the Clementina." in: F. Amsler, A. Frey, Ch. Touati, R. Girardet eds., *Nouvelles intrigues pseudo-clementines. Plots in the Pseudo-Clementine Romance. Actes du deuxième Colloque international sur la littérature apocryphe chrétienne, 30 VIII – 2 IX 2006 Lausanne – Genève.* (Lausanne: Éditions du Zèbre, 2008), 211-222.

13. "Isten békéje." [The peace of God] in G. Borbély, Gy. Gábor, Gy. Geréby, V. Szántó (eds.) „*Királyá lett a te istened*” *Fejezetek a politikai teológia történetéből.* ["Your god is king." Chapters in the history of political theology.] Budapest: Akadémiai, 2008, 216-237.

14. "A tiszta jogtan és a teológia: Hans Kelsen analógiái." [The theory of pure law and theology. The analogies of Hans Kelsen] in L. Cs. Kiss (ed.) *Hans Kelsen jogtudománya* [The legal thought of H. Kelsen] Budapest: Gondolat, 2007, 171-190.

15. 'Theistic fallacies.' In P. Losonczi, G. Xeravits (eds.), *Reflecting diversity.* Wien- Berlin: Lit, 2007, 166-190.

16. 'Megjegyzések Platón és Hérodotosz viszonyához.' [On the theological differences of Plato and Herodotus] in: Bodnár I. Betegh G., Geréby Gy., Lautner P. eds. *Töredékes hagyomány. Steiger Kornélnak.* [Festschrift K. Steiger] (Budapest: Akadémiai, 2006), 90-107.

17. 'Carl Schmitt and Erik Peterson on the Problem of Political Theology. A footnote to Kantorowicz.' In J. M. Bak, A. Al-Azmeh (eds.) *Monothestic Kingship. The Medieval Variants*. (Budapest: CEU Press, 2005), 31-61.
18. 'Carl Schmitt teológiája.' [The theology of Carl Schmitt.] In: *Carl Schmitt jogtudománya. Tanulmányok Carl Schmitt-ről*. [The legal thought of Carl Schmitt. Studies on Carl Schmitt.] Szerk. Cs. Kiss Lajos (Budapest: Gondolat, 2004), 260-290. *Bibliotheca Iuridica. Acta Congressuum* 9.
19. "A 'párthus nyíllövés.' Erik Peterson Carl Schmitt politikai teológiájáról." [The 'Parthian arrow.' Erik Peterson on the political theology of Carl Schmitt.] Dénes Iván Zoltán szerk., *A szabadság értelme – az értelem szabadsága. Filozófiai és eszmetörténeti tanulmányok*. [The meaning of liberty. The liberty of meaning. Studies in the history of philosophy and ideas in honour of M. Ludassy] (Budapest: Argumentum, 2004), 201-220.
20. "The two sons of the one father. The salvation-historical interpretation of Lk 15, 11-32." in Y. Schwartz, V. Krech ed., *Religious Apologetics - philosophical Argumentation*. (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2004), 335-362. *Religion in Philosophy and Theology* 10.
21. "A mentális nyelv a nagyscholasztikában. Ockham, Lawtoni Hugo és Crathorn az 1320-as években." [Mental language in high scholasticism. Ockham, Hugh of Lawton and Crathorn in the 1320s.] in: *Érvek és Kontextusok*. [Arguments and contexts.] ed. Újvári, M. (Budapest: Gondolat, 2003), 58-98.
22. "Utószó." [Introductory study to Gennadius Scholarius' translation of Peter of Spain *Summulae logicales*, about its curious history of apriori views forced on the history of philosophy in 18th and 19th c. German scholarship.] in: Gennadiosz Szkholariosz, *Petrus Hispanus mester logikájából*. tr. M. Szabo. (Budapest: Jozsoveg, 1999), 207-237.
23. "Eternal allegiances. Duns Scotus' place in the debate about the possibility of an eternally created world." in: Nagy, B., and Sebők, M. eds., ... *Man of Many Devices, Who Wandered Full Many Ways... Festschrift in Honor of Janos Bak*. (Budapest: CEU Press, 1999), 372-383.
24. "A semmiből teremtés a skolasztikában." [Creation out of nothing in scholasticism.] Márta Fehér ed., *A teremtés*. [The creation] (Budapest: Áron, 1996), 9-93.
25. "Utószó." [Introductory study on how Aquinas answers Franciscan opponents, reverting to general sceptic strategies against John Pecham's improved arguments.] in: Aquinói Szt. Tamás, *A világ örökkévalóságáról*. (Sancti Thomae de Aquino, *De aeternitate mundi*). Ford. G. Borbély, et al. (Budapest: Jozsoveg, 1998), 49-111.
26. "Ignorato motu ignoratur natura. Logic and physics in Sophima II.110. of Albert of Saxony." in: J. Biard ed., *Itinéraires d'Albert de Saxe. Paris-Vienne au XIVe siècle*. (Paris: J. Vrin, 1991.), 175-189. (*Études de philosophie médiévale* LXIX)
27. "Diversitas in concordantia. Bemerkungen über die gesellschaftstheoretischen Folgerungen aus der cusanischen Anthropologie." in: Klaniczay, T., Buck, A. eds. *Sozialgeschichtliche Fragestellungen in der Renaissanceforschung*. (Wiesbaden, 1992), 157-173.

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2. 'Contrastive Linguistic and Cultural Backgrounds of the Two Latin Translators of the Life of Antony.' *Clotho* 3 (2021), 5-26.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4312/clotho.3.2.5-28>
3. 'Inconstantia Platonis. Egy szimmaszi értelmezés.' *Magyar Filozófiai Szemle*, 65 (2021), 7-32. [Inconstancy of Plato. A Simmias-type interpretation. In Hungarian.]
4. 'The Theology of Carl Schmitt.' *Politeja* 18 (2021), pp. 21-49.  
<https://journals.akademicka.pl/politeja/article/view/3782>  
<https://doi.org/10.12797/Politeja.18.2021.72.02>
5. Geréby, György, "The Changeability of the Past: Medieval and Modern. A Common Theme between Peter Damian and Hans Jonas". *Hungarian Philosophical Review* 64 (2020/4), pp. 179-196.  
<http://filozofiaszemle.net/2021/02/magyar-filozofiai-szemle-20204-credo-ut-intelligam-or-credo-quia-absurdumreason-and-beyond-reason-in-religious-faith/>
6. 'A supremely idle question? Issues of the beatific vision debate between 1331–1336.' *Przegląd Tomistyczny*, 24 (2018), 487–529.
7. 'Az egzisztencialista teológia problémája Kierkegaardnál.' [The problem of existential theology in Kierkegaard] in Laokoön. (Electronic journal) <http://laokoon.c3.hu/szamok/9.html>
8. "Anioły narodów. Czy możliwe jest chrześcijaństwo narodowe?" [Angels of the nations. Is national Christianity possible?] *Magazyn Apokaliptyczny* 44 / Czerdzieści i Cztery, nr 6 (2013), 121-152.
9. "Az egyház és a politikai forma: Carl Schmitt és Hans Barion." [The church and political form: Carl Schmitt and Hans Barion] *Világosság* 41 (2010/ősz), 65-77.
10. " 'Isten különben pusztá fogalom lenne.' A misztika megalapozásának problémája Erik Petersonnál és Palamasz Gergelynél." ['Otherwise God would be a mere concept.' The problem of the foundations of mysticism in Erik Peterson and Gregory Palamas.] *Orpheus Noster* 3 (2011/3-4), 69-81.
11. "Medieval Philosophies: What are they and why?" *Philosophy Today* 2013/Summer, 170-181.
12. "What Anselm and Gaunilo told each other." *Przegląd Tomistyczny* 15 (2009), 1-22.
13. "Political Theology versus Theological Politics: Erik Peterson and Carl Schmitt." *New German Critique* 105 (2008/Fall), 7-33.
14. "Alien wisdom? Arnaldo Momigliano on the Hellenistic perception of barbarian culture." in J.A. Rasson, K. Szende, R. Forrai (eds.) *Annual of Medieval Studies at CEU* vol 14 (2008). Budapest: CEU Press, 169-182.
15. "A népek angyalai, avagy lehetséges-e nemzeti kereszténység?" [The angels of the nation, or on the possibility of a national Christianity] *Pannonhalmi Szemle* 16 (2008/1), 35-55.
16. "Egy ortodox apokrif műhelyében." [In the workshop of an orthodox apocryphon – the Protevangelium of James] *Ókor* 6 (2007/3), 50-61.
17. "A világ és az idő megállása Jakab Prótoevangéliumában." [The stopping of time and the world in the *Protevangelium Jacobi*.] *Vallástudományi Szemle* 2 (2006/1), 93-126.
18. "Triezvo opojná idea." *OS Forum. Obcianskej spoločnosti*. (2006/3-4), 108-118. (Slovak translation of 40.)

19. "A Szentháromságról." [On the Trinity.] *Pannonhalmi Szemle* 14 (2006/1), 34-44.
20. "Társ, hely, kor és tudás (Centuria a kibervilág dimenzióiról)." [Companion, place, age and knowledge. Hundred theses on the dimensions of cyberspace. Rewritten version of 21.] *Holmi* (2006/1), 32-51.
21. "Társ, hely, kor és tudás. Centuria a kibervilág dimenzióiról." in: *Sziget a szárazföldön. Előadások a Posticumban*. ed. Gy. Zsugán, Nagyvárad (Oradea), Posticum, 2006, 137-163. [Companions, place, age and knowledge. Hundred theses on the dimensions of cyberspace. First version of 30.]
22. "Bírálat Gedő Éva, Carl Schmitt decizionista politikai filozófiája c. bölcsészdoktori értekezéséről." [Critique of E. Gedő's PhD thesis on the decisionist political philosophy of Carl Schmitt.] *Jogelméleti Szemle* [Journal of Legal Theory] (2006/1 (2006. április 24.) <http://iesz.ajk.elte.hu/gereby25.mht>)
23. "Jürgen Habermas és Joseph Ratzinger vitája." [Preface to the translation of the debate between J. Habermas and J. Ratzinger] *Holmi* 17 (2005/11), 1383-1392.
24. "Ceea ce Anselm si Gaunilon au spus unul catre celalalt." (tr. v. R. Lorand) in *Argumentul ontologic. Aspecte traditionale si interpretari moderne* ed. I. Tanasescu (Giurgiu: Pelican, 2004) S. 27-42. [What Anselm and Gaunilo told each other. Romanian translation of 37.]
25. transl., Katalin Vidrányi. "The Twentieth-Century Revival of Patristic Traditions." English tr. Gy. Geréby, I. Perczel István és M. Suff, in: *Adamantius* 10 (2004), 267-277.
26. with Perczel, I. "In memoriam Katalin Vidranyi (1945-1993)." in: *Adamantius* 10 (2004), 259-266.
27. "Amit Anselm és Gaunilo mondtak egymásnak." ['What Anselm and Gaunilo told to each other.' A second order logical reconstruction of the debate of Anselm's Argument.] *Magyar Filozófiai Szemle* 44 (1999), 650-658.
28. "Proklosz, A fizika elemei." [Proclus' *Elements of physics*. Translation and introduction] *Magyar Filozófiai Szemle* [Hungarian Review of Philosophy] 41 (1997), 281-306 and 307-336. [An analysis of the only axiomatic approach to Physics VI., VIII., De Caelo I. in the history of the Aristotelian paradigm.]
29. "Arisztotelész és Dedekind." [Aristotle and Dedekind on continuity] *Magyar Filozófiai Szemle* [Hungarian Journal of Philosophy] 41 (1997), 45-76.
30. "A tudás fénye." [The light of knowledge. On the *Simile of the Cave* as the foundation of the patristic theology of light.] *Café Babel* 26 (1997/3), 10-31. [The *Simile of the Cave of Plato* was reversed in order to convey the *Christian idea of redemption*.]
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32. with M. Pesthy, 'Porphyrios: *Eisagoge*.' *Magyar Filozófia Szemle*, 28 (1984), 431-454. [Porphyry: *Eisagoge*. Transl. Comm. Pref. In Hungarian.]

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Boros Gábor, ed., *Filozófia*. (Budapest : Akadémiai, 2007.) [Review of chapters 3-4. (Patristics, Middle Ages)] *Magyar Filozófiai Szemle* [Hungarian Review of

Philosophy] 46 (2011), 173-180.

**TRANSLATIONS INTO HUNGARIAN** Heidegger, M., "Kérdés a technika nyomán." [Die Frage nach der Technik.] in: Tillmann, J. ed., *A későújkor józansága. 2 vols.* (Budapest: Göncöl, 2004) vol. 2., 111-134.

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with I. Perczel, 'Pseudo-Dionysios Areopagita, Levelek i-v.,' in: Lukács L.ed.: *Fohászok és vallomások.* (Budapest, 1988), 422-424. In Hungarian.

**READER** Petri Pazmany, *Opera omnia.* I. Felelet. (Budapest, 2000) [Reader and part translator of Latin texts.]

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'Ami botrány és ami nem', [What is a scandal at what is not. On the role of Faith Church in Hungary. A critique of Gaspar Tamas Miklos' essay.] *Holmi* 12 (2000 November)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**  
(SAMPLE OF RECENT COURSES [W  
STUDENT EVALUATION SCORES]  
AND SOME OLDER COURSES  
TAUGHT)

Political Theology: Ancient and Modern (with M. Riedl)  
<https://medievalstudies.ceu.hu/node/2608>

The Bible for Medievalists  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=13235>

Medieval Theories of Language and Logic  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=4194>

Scholastic Philosophy and Theology of Nature  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=4707>

Early Christianity: From Messianic Sect to State Religion (with V. Menze)  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=8938>

Medieval Philosophy and Theology: the Beatific Vision Debate (1331-36)  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=8952>

Great themes of Late Antique, Byzantine and Medieval Philosophy (with I. Perczel)  
<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=7030>



**MA Thesis Seminar I. (CEU MEDS 5001 2)**

**Introduction to Medieval Philosophy (CEU MEDS 5199)**

**Medieval Latin Philosophical Text Reading: Cusanus (CEU MEDS 6074)**

**Byzantine spiritual theories 3. The *De oratione* of Evagrius of Pontus (Advanced Greek reading seminar)**

**Gregory Palamas and His Adversaries (Ev: 9.9 / 8.6 MED average)**

**<https://medievalstudies.ceu.hu/courses/20122013/gregory-palamas-and-his-adversaries>**

**Advanced Latin Text Seminar: Bonaventura Ev: 9.3/8.6 MED**

**<https://medievalstudies.ceu.hu/courses/20122013/advanced-latin-text-seminar-bonaventure>**

**Sample of previous courses:**

**Late Antique and Medieval Political Theology**

**<https://ceulearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=7042>**

**Between Myth and Science: Medieval Angelology (with Y. Schwartz (Tel Aviv))**

**Medieval Theological Debates: the Beatific Vision and the Hesychast debate**

**The theological origins of Hungarian national symbolism (Rutgers University)**

**Medieval Philosophy (ELTE, Liverpool, CEU)**

**Philosophy in the patristic period (ELTE)**

**Classical metaphysics (ELTE)**

**Plato (with H. Robinson, Liverpool)**

**Mental language theories, medieval and modern (with Zs. Zvolenszky) (ELTE)**

**Carl Schmitt and Political theology (PhD course at ELTE)**

**Speculative grammar in the Middle Ages (Thomas de Erfordia) (ELTE)**

**Natural philosophy in the Middle Ages (Movement, time, space) (ELTE)**

**Aristotle: Physics (ELTE)**

**Ockham, *Sentences*, Prologue and question I. (ELTE, in English)**

**Introduction to the philosophy of religion (ELTE)**

**DOCTORAL THESES SUPERVISED**

**Volodya Baranov: *Byzantine Iconoclasm (726–843): A Study in Theological Method.* (2004)**

**Tamás Visi: *The Early Ibn Ezra Supercommentaries: A Chapter in Medieval Jewish Intellectual History* (2006)**

**Réka Forrai: *The Interpreter of the Popes: The Translation Project of Anastasius Bibliothecarius* (2008)**

**Csaba Németh: *Contemplation and the cognition of God. Victorine theological anthropology and its decline* (2013)**

**Noel Putnik: *The Christian Anthropology of Agrippa of Nettesheim.* (Defended in January 2018)**

**Gaetano Longo: *Damascius on the soul* (third year)**

**Dunja Milenković: *Competence and Competitvity of the Byzantine Intellectual: The Case of Theodore Prodromos* (fifth year)**

**José Manuel Rubio: *The Bible in Crusader Narratives* (for the first and second years)**

**Holger Hespén: *The Physiologus. New Perspectives.* (Sixth year, DPhil)**

**CONFERENCES AND SUMMER UNIVERSITIES ORGANIZED**

***Religion and Politics: The Presence of Sacred and Secular Traditions in Europe and the Middle East.* Jul 14 - 25, 2008 (with Matthias Riedl)**

***Changing Intellectual Landscapes in Late Antiquity.* Course Director: Peter Brown, Princeton University. Course Organizer with István Perczel (CEU)**

***The Eucharist in philosophy and theology.* International conference, Tihany, 25-29 October 2000. Organiser with I.Perczel (CEU).**

***Religious identity and religious syncretism.* Summer University Course, Central European University, 30 July - 10 August 2001, Central European University. Course director with I. Perczel (CEU).**

***The many centers of the early medieval oikumene. Shifting Centers, Encounters, Barriers, Borderline Conditions.* Summer University Course, Central European University, July 5 - July 23 1999, Central European University. Course director with I. Perczel (CEU)**

**INVITED SPEAKER**

**Invited speaker, Medieval Philosophy Seminar, University of Ghent, 17-20 October, 2018**

**The Church as the Third Nation (triton genos). A tradition of early Christianity. Ἡ ἐν Χριστῷ ζωὴ στήν Ὁρθόδοξη Παράδοση Conference, Budapest, 28-9**

**August, 2018**

**Politikai teológia és szekularizáció. [Political theology and secularization.]  
Annual Conference of the Hungarian Lutheran Church, 9 May, 2018.**

**"No church without an emperor" On the background of a normative Byzantine  
idea. Byzantine Seminar, University of Edinburgh, 16 March, 2018.**

**Hellenistic Jewish and Christian political theology: Conflict or consensus? Leo  
Baeck College, Academic Salon, 12 March, 2018**

**'The image of the soul-butterfly in Late Antiquity: The Riggisberg Textile.'  
Visualising of the soul. Conference, Tel Aviv, 5-8 November 2017.**

**"The role of the female in the *Protevangelium of James*." *Religion and the  
female body in the Ancient East Mediterranean*, Sapientia College, Budapest.  
29-31 May, 2012.**

**"What are medieval philosophies?" *History of Philosophy: Representations and  
Cultural Constructions*. University of Timisoara, 22-23 September 2011.**

**"Political theory, secularization, and the church: Carl Schmitt and Erik  
Peterson," *Dangerous Liaisons. Modernity, theology and social science*.  
University of Warsaw, 11 April, 2012.**

**"The changeability of the past. A hidden connection between Peter Damian and  
Hans Jonas." *Department of Philosophy*, CEU, 15 February, 2011.**

**"Medieval political theology." In the session: "Political Thought and Political  
Theology in the Medieval Era," of the conference "LISAR/Oxford conference on  
politics, political thought, and political theology in the Abrahamic Traditions."  
University of Wisconsin-Madison, 3-4 October, 2012.**

**"Ecclesia, people, council: systematic aspects of freedom and consensus in early  
Christian political theology." *Les origines théologiques cachées de la pensée  
politique dans les pays de la Méditerranée*. Casablanca, 30 - 31 October, 2008.**

**"Image of God: the Greek tradition by Gregory Palamas." *Imago Dei. I discorsi  
sulla dignità umana: fondamenti e contestazioni*. Bologna, 16-18 July, 2008.**

**"The changeability of the past: Peter Damien." *Time beyond borders*. Van Leer  
Institute, Jerusalem, 1-3 July, 2008.**

**"Drawing the line. Patriarch Jeremiah II and the Tübingen theologians."  
*Debating and Rewriting Borders*. ED Fellows workshop. Ca' Foscari University,  
Venice, 25th of June 2008.**

**"Non sumus graeci. The changing perceptions of Greek intellectual influence in  
the early Middle Ages." Conference: 'Charismatic Authority, Spiritual**

**Friendship: comparative approaches to networks of learning, Byzantine East and Latin West, c.1000–c.1200’ workshop (CEU - British Academy. Budapest, 30 - 31 May 2008.**

**“Carl Schmitt and Erik Peterson on political theology.” Biannual conference of the Society for the Study of Theology. Durham, 31 March - 3rd April, 2008.**

**“Hidden themes in fourteenth-century Byzantine and Latin theological debates.” Conference: Intellectual relations between Greeks and Latins in the later Middle Ages (1204-1500). University of Cyprus, Nicosia. 12 April, 2008.**

#### **RECENT CONFERENCE LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Azyna and Epiclesis: Two Eucharistic Differences between Greeks and Latins. At the The Metaphysics and the Theology of the Eucharist. International conference September 1-4, Budapest. <https://mki.gov.hu/index.php/en/konferenciak-en/eukarisztikus-metafizika-es-teologia-hu>**

**The Ruler and His Nation. Political Relations in the Byzantine Liturgy. Conference paper Rituals of the Earthly and Heavenly Kingdoms (May 20-22, 2020) <https://psalmnetwork.wixsite.com/psalm/conference-2020>**

**‘Das Volk, die Völker und das dritte Volk.’ Vortrag, Deutsches Historisches Institut, Moscow, 12 October, 2017**

**‘What is political theology?’ – and – ‘The City of God of Augustine.’ Two lectures at the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE), Moscow, 13-14 October, 2017.**

**‘The Holy Virgin in the Protoevangelium of James.’ International conference *The faces of the Theotokos*. Budapest, 8-9 Sept., 2017.**

**“Ez az igaz hit, tanítás és vallás, amiben semmiféle újdonság nincsen.” II Jeremiás pátriárka és a tübingeni teológusok levélváltása az Augsburgi Hitvallásról.” [‘This is the true faith, doctrine and religion in which there is nothing new.’ The correspondence of Patriarch Jeremiah II and the Tübingen theologians on the Augsburg Confession.] Az egyházatyák a reformáció és az ellenreformáció korában. [The Church Fathers and the period of the Reformation and Counter-Reformation.] Magyar Patrisztikus Társaság XVII. országos konferenciája [Seventeenth conference of the Hungarian Patristic Society], Sárospatak, 28-30, June, 2017.**

**“Every Good Endowment and Every Perfect Gift is from Above”: James 1:17 in Patristic Exegesis.” Dangerous gifts conference. IAS/CEU. 19 May, 2017.**

**“A korai kereszténység politikai teológiájának problémái.” [Problems of the political theology of early Christianity] Ókortudományi Társaság [Hungarian Classical Society, 17 October, 2016.].**

**“Tapasztalati istenismeret Palamasz Szt. Gergelynél.” [Empirical knowledge of God in Gregory Palamas] Narratíva, tapasztalat, élmény - évnyitó konferencia**

**ELTE, 22-23, September 2016. [Narrative, knowledge, experience – annual conference of the Philosophy Department, ELTE)**

**The Narrative Theology of the Protevangelium. A New Reading. AELAC annual meeting, 29 June – 1 July, 2015, 25000 Besançon.**

**“The political theology of the Apocalypse of John.” Hungarian Patristic Society conference. Nyíregyháza, 27-29 June, 2013.**

**“Gregory of Sinai and Gregory Palamas on Mystical Experience.” Reflections on the Immediate Experience of God in the European Tradition. Karoli Gaspar Calvinist University, Budapest, 17-19 May, 2013.**

**“Nationalism as a theological problem. Erik Peterson’s view.” Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw, 12 April, 2012.**

**“The changeability of the past. A hidden theme between Peter Damien and Hans Jonas.” Philosophisches Seminar, University of Vienna, 25 May, 2011.**

**“Carl Schmitt and Erik Peterson.” Paris IV, Sorbonne. 28 February 2011.**

**“Peter Damien and Hans Jonas: two approaches to the necessity of the past.” Philosophy Department, CEU, 2010.**

**“Róma és az üdvtörténet.” [Rome and the history of salvation], Workshop on Augustine’s De civitate dei, Institute of Philosophy, Hungarian Acad. Scient., 21-22 September, 2006.**

**“The Protevangelium Jacobi. Theological identity and polemics in the second century.” Hellenic Colloquia of the Budapest Center For Hellenic Traditions, 22 February 2006.**

**“Dr Historian and Mr Divine. What history and religion can teach to each other.” Religio Academici workshop, CEU, 10 November, 2005.**

**‘Methodological syncretism.’ Late Antique Alexandria conference, 21 May 2005.**

**“A teológia mint tudomány a 13. században.” [Theology as a science in the 13th. c.] Philosophy of Science Colloquium, organized by the History and Philosophy of Science Dept. ELTE, Budapest, March 2004.**

**“The Angels of the Nations.” American Hungarian Educators’ Association Conference, Columbia University, 24–27 April, 2003.**

**“The light, the cave and the colours of the Annunciation.” Ad hoc seminar at the Center for Theological Inquiry, Princeton, 12 May 2003.**

**“Extra cuncta, intra cuncta, super cuncta, subter cuncta. The Changing Paradox of Divine Omnipresence in Medieval Theology.” Conference paper: Empty**

**spaces. Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, Calif., 20-22 Feb, 2003.**

**“Le débat sur la vision béatifique.” Lecture at the EHESS, Paris, 30 January, 2002.**

**“Duns Scot sur le filioque.” Lecture at the EHESS, Paris, 17 January, 2002.**

**“Plato's cave reversed. The philosophical metaphors of the Protevangelium Jacobi and its contemporaries.” Lecture at the Stapledon Society of the Department of Philosophy, Univ. of Liverpool, 2001.**

**“The light and the cave. The metaphor of cosmic redemption in the Protevangelium Jacobi.” At the conference: Aspects of illumination from Homer to Derrida. Claremont Graduate University, 22-24 February, 2001.**

**“Mental prayer and cognitive psychology: changing backgrounds from Evagrius to Ignatius of Loyola.” At the conference: La prière en latin de l'antiquité au XVIe siècle: formes, évolutions, significations. Nice, 10-11 May, 2001.**

**“Plato, Porphyry and the Protevangelium Jacobi.” Hungarian Classical Society, biannual conference, University of Pécs, 19-21 May, 2000.**

#### **GRANTS AND PROJECTS**

**Director of the CEU SUN course Political Theology of the Early Church from its Formation to Justinian. 19 July - 26 July, 2021**

**<https://summeruniversity.ceu.edu/political-theology-2021>  
<https://sunlearning.ceu.edu/course/view.php?id=647>**

**Academic director : “Philosophy of religion and the presence of religion in modern society”, National Research and Development Program (NKFP6-00127/2005), HUF 70,5 m (EUR 261 k), 2006-2009.**

**HESP Caucasus project 2010 – 13. (Directors: N. Gaul. I. Perczel), participant**

**Digitizing Hungarian philosophical texts (OTKA T43629), 2003-2007, participant**

**Universals and theory of knowledge from Plato to the Middle Ages. Hungarian Science Fond Research Grant. (OTKA F 13944)**

**History of speculative theology in the late antique, medieval and early modern age. Hungarian Science Fond Research Grant. (OTKA no. 951) 1992-94. Participant.**

**Philosophical Theology teaching program at the Univ. of Pécs, Humanities Reform Grant of the Soros Foundation, Hungary: 1990 - 1994. Director.**

#### **SHORT INVITED COURSES**

**Tbilisi State University Medieval Natural Philosophy. Three lectures**

**University Babes-Bolyai, Angels of the nations. Two lectures**

**Univ. of Olomouc (Czech Republic), The Protevangelium Jacobi. Two lectures, January, 2005**

**Univ. of Cluj (Romania), Medieval Philosophy. Three lectures in May 2004**

**Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (Paris). "The debate on the beatific vision." One lecture during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, 2003/4. Invited by the director of EHESS, prof. Alain Boureau.**

**Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (Paris). Three lectures during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester, 2001/2. Invited by the director of EHESS, prof. Alain Boureau.**

**Univ. of Velyko Trnovo (Bulgaria), Medieval Platonism. Three lectures in November, 2003**

**LANGUAGES**

**Native language: Hungarian.**

***Modern:* Fluent English and German. Working knowledge of French. Reading knowledge of Italian and modern Greek. Basic Russian.**

***Ancient:* Latin, Greek. Basic Biblical Hebrew.**

**CEU SERVICE**

**Source Language Teaching Group, director**

**Student Travel and Research Grant, committee member**

**Center for Eastern Mediterranean Studies – senior member**

**Center for Religious Studies – senior member**

**Head of Department, Medieval Studies, 2007-2010**

**Religious studies, ELTE Faculty of Humanities, September 2006 – August 2007, co-director**

**REFeree**

**European Science Foundation, rapporteur**

**Institute for Advanced Studies, CEU**

**Rumanian National Science Foundation**

**Rustaveli National Science Foundation, Georgia**

**MEMBERSHIP**

**Hungarian Philosophical Society**

**Hungarian Classical Society**

**Hungarian Patristic Society**

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR TEACHING**

**Basil the Great, *Homilies in Hexaemeron*. Translation seminar with students of the Károli Gáspár Calvinist University.**

**Tutor of study group *Religion, Tradition, Modernity* (Erasmus College [private foundation], between 2005-2014)**

**Tutor in philosophy at the "Invisible College" (Private foundation), between 1995-6**

**ADVISORY ACTIVITIES**

**Advisor to the minister, Ministry Education (Hungary), June 2003- December 2003 (on matters of higher education)**

**Advisor to the minister, Ministry of Culture and Education (Hungary), January, 1996- June 1988 (on matters of higher education)**

**Advisor to the Board, Higher Education Support Program, Central European University. January, 1992 - October 1993.**

**Hungarian Director, Civic Education Project, May 1990 - July 1992 (startup director of a Yale University based social science teaching exchange program, university level)**