

# Ágnes Eitler

## *Curriculum Vitae*

### 1. Contact Information

Assistant professor	Institute of Ethnography and Folklore, Eötvös Loránd University
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Place and date of birth	Győr, Hungary, 1993.
Scientific degree:	PhD
Fields of interest	rural studies, culture economy, cultural heritage
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List of publications	<a href="https://m2.mtmt.hu/gui2/?type=authors&amp;mode=browse&amp;sel=authors10060702">https://m2.mtmt.hu/gui2/?type=authors&amp;mode=browse&amp;sel=authors10060702</a>

### 2. Personal Profile

Junior research fellow at the Department of Historical Ethnology at the Institute of Ethnology of the HUN-REN Research Centre for the Humanities, and an assistant lecturer at Institute of Ethnography and Folklore at the Eötvös Loránd University. Her main areas of interest are the transformation of rural society during socialism and after political transition (1989), focusing on staging folk culture, (self)representation, brand building, and heritagization. She did fieldwork for her PhD dissertation in rural areas of Hungary, Romania and Serbia, which she obtained in 2023.

### 3. Education

2017–2021	European Ethnology Doctoral Program Doctoral School of History, Eötvös Loránd University
2015–2017	Ethnologist and Folklorist MA (with honours) Eötvös Loránd University
2012–2015	Dancing and Rehearsal Coaching BA (excellent) Hungarian Dance Academy
2011–2015	Philologist in History BA (with honours) Eötvös Loránd University

### 4. Employment

2024 –	assistant professor Institute of Ethnography, Eötvös Loránd University
2021 –	assistant lecturer Institute of Ethnography, Eötvös Loránd University

2017– junior research fellow  
Institute of Ethnology, Research Centre for the Humanities, HUN-REN

## 5. Selected list of 5 most important publications

2025 The Discreet Charm of Lists. The Relevance(s) of Heritage Practices in a Subaltern Rural Area in Transylvania. *Schweizerisches Archiv für Volkskunde* 121(1): 31–44. <https://doi.org/10.33057/CHRONOS.1824/31-44>

2024 The Ethnographer as VIP. Thoughts on the Role of Researcher, Ethnographic Representation, and the Need to Rethink Collaboration. *Acta Ethnographica Hungarica* 69(1): 87–111. <https://doi.org/10.1556/022.2025.00004>

2023 Discourses of Heritagization in East-Central Europe. (with Bence Ament-Kovács). *Acta Ethnographica Hungarica* 68(2): 273–285. <https://doi.org/10.1556/022.2024.00020>

2022 Towards the Analysis of Tradition-based Projects of Locality: A Case Study from Rural Hungary. *Journal of Ethnology and Folkloristics* 16(1): 29–54. <https://doi.org/10.2478/jef-2022-0003>

2020 Heritage-Making in the Metropolitan Area: The Case of the “Wedding at Ecser”. *Acta Ethnographica Hungarica* 65(1): 81–104. <https://doi.org/10.1556/022.2020.00006>

## 6. Awards and Honours

2021 *Junior Prima Primissima* in Folk Art and Popular Education  
DoclerHolding (Budapest)

2017 *Award I.*  
National Scientific Student’s Associations Conference XXXIII.  
(Ethnography)

2015 *Award II.*  
National Scientific Student’s Associations Conference XXXII.  
(Folklore and Ethnography of Religion)

## 7. Grants and Fellowships

2022/2023 New National Excellence Program  
September– Ministry for Culture and Innovation (Budapest)  
August

2021 New National Excellence Program  
February– Ministry for Culture and Innovation (Budapest)  
August

2020/2021 Erasmus + student mobility  
November– Institute of European Ethnology, Humboldt University of Berlin  
January

2020 SIEF Summer School 2020

25 June–3 July 2016/2017	<i>Heritage, Tradition, Identity. A Case Study of the Palio di Siena</i> Siena, Italy (online)
September–July 2016	Scholarship of the Republic Ministry of Human Resources (Budapest)
March	CEEPUS Freemover Student Mobility Department of Hungarian Ethnography and Anthropology, Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania

## 8. Selected list of 5 most important conference papers

2024	<i>Ethnology at the Time of Change: Ethnology without Borders 2024</i> . Department of Archaeology and Cultural Anthropology, Faculty of Arts, Comenius University – Institute of Ethnology and Social Anthropology, Slovak Academy of Sciences. Bratislava, 11 – 13/9. “Challenges of Studying the Similar: Fieldwork Among Experts of »Local Tradition« in the Hungarian Countryside.”
2023	<i>SIEF2023 16th Congress. Living Uncertainty</i> . SIEF – Institute of Ethnology, Czech Academy of Sciences – Department of European Ethnology, Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University – National Institute of Folk Culture. Brno, 7 – 10/6. “Staging the stability in uncertain times.”
2022	<i>Social Dynamics in the post -Covid age. Inequalities, integration, migration in regional, urban and rural context</i> . Centre for Social Sciences, Institute for Sociology (Eötvös Loránd Research Network).17–18/10. “Patterns of past, ties of trust in the present. Local elite and organizing locality in the Niraj Valley (Romania)”
2021	<i>SIEF 2021 15th Congress: Breaking the Rules? Power, Participation, Transgression</i> . Helsinki (online), 19–24/6. “Ethnographic knowledge-making and the creative process of local heritagization”
2021	<i>10th International Conference of Young Folklorists: “Lore Makers, Law Breakers: Tradition, Change, and People”</i> . Tartu University. Tartu (online), 19–21/5. “Towards the Analysis of Tradition-based Projects of Locality: A Case Study from Rural Hungary”

## 9. Teaching experience - Institute of Ethnography, Eötvös Loránd University

2019–2025	Projektszeminarium - Néprajzi terepkutatás Gyermelyen [Project: Ethnographic Research in Gyermely] <i>seminar in Hungarian</i> Bevezetés az európai etnológiába [Introduction to European Ethnology] <i>lecture in Hungarian</i> Néprajzi szeminárium [Introduction to European Ethnology] <i>seminar in Hungarian</i> Terepkutatás [Fieldwork] <i>seminar in Hungarian</i> Forrásismeret és kutatásmódszertan [Ethnographic Research Methods] <i>seminar</i> Társadalomnéprajz 1. [Social Anthropology 1.] <i>lecture in Hungarian</i> Társadalomnéprajz 2. [Social Anthropology 2.] <i>seminar in Hungarian</i>
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A kortárs társadalom etnológiája [Ethnology of contemporary society] *seminar in Hungarian*

Mesterségek [Handicraft] *lecture in Hungarian*

A néprajzi muzeológia szervezeti, jogszabályi és társadalmi környezete [The institutional, legal and social environment of ethnographic museology] *seminar in Hungarian*

Kutatásmódszertan [Research methods in ethnography] *seminar in Hungarian*

## 10. Research experience (Projects: name, project number, period, foundation)

2021–(2023) Title of the project: Heritage-creation, cultural memory, and identity.  
Pr. number: SA-35/2021. Foundation: Eötvös Loránd Research Network.  
Position: participant.

## 11. Social activities, memberships

2021 – HSCE (Historical Studies on Central Europe) published by Eötvös Loránd University, review editor  
2018 – Hungarian Ethnographic Society, member  
2018 – Hungarian Association for Ethnochoreology, member  
2019 – International Society for Ethnology and Folklore, member

## 12. Language skills

German intermediate (exam: complex, B2, 2009)  
English intermediate (exam: complex, B2 2011)