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Fields of interest, keywords: nation-building,
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Manchu, Sibe

Date and place of birth: 26th July 1978 Budapest,
Hungary

EDUCATION

2001–2007

“Dharma Gate” Budapest Buddhist University

- Chinese Language and Culture Programme
- higher education college

2007–2009

“Dharma Gate” Budapest Buddhist University

- Chinese Language and Culture Programme
- MA

2009–2016

Interdisciplinary Doctoral School, Faculty of
Humanities, University of Pécs

- European Ethnology and Cultural
Anthropology Doctoral Programme
- PhD

PLACES OF WORK

2009–2011

“Dharma Gate” Budapest Buddhist University

- college assistant lecturer

2017

Modern East Asia Research Group, Institute of
International Studies and Political Science,
Pázmány Péter Catholic University

- assistant research fellow

2017–

Institute of Ethnology, Research Centre for the
Humanities

- research fellow (2017–2022)
- senior research fellow (2022–)

2019–

Department of Chinese Studies, Institute of East
Asian Studies, Károli Gáspár University of the
Reformed Church in Hungary

- senior lecturer

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

LEADERSHIP OF PROJECTS

- 2014–2016 Chinese Sibe Language and Culture Research Center, Ili Normal College, China
- project leader
 - *Chongxiu xibo jiapu de shehui wenhua renleixue jiazhi yanjiu* (Research on the Anthropological Value of (Re)Writing Sibe Family Trees) (2014YSXBZD01)
- 2017–2020 Institute of Ethnology, Research Centre for the Humanities
- project leader
 - “Premium” Postdoctoral Research Program of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Prémium 2017-6)
 - *Heritagization in Contemporary China*
- 2020–2025 Institute of Ethnology, Research Centre for the Humanities
- project leader
 - “OTKA” Young Researchers’ Excellence Programme, National Research, Development and Innovation Office (134244)
 - *Heritagization and Secularization in China (from 1949 to the present day)*
- 2024–2025 Institute of Ethnology, Research Centre for the Humanities
- project leader
 - Bilateral Programme (HAS – CASS; NKM 2023-68)
 - Cultural Exchange and Mutual Learning between Countries along the Silk Road (China and Hungary)

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2011–2012 School of Ethnology and Sociology, Xinjiang Normal University, China
- visiting researcher
- 2012–2013 History and Culture Research Center of Northeast Ethnic Groups in China, Dalian Minzu University, China
- visiting researcher
- 2014–2016 Chinese Sibe Language and Culture Research Center, Ili Normal College, China
- visiting researcher
- 2016–2017 Modern East Asia Research Group, Institute of International Studies and Political Science, Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Hungary
- visiting researcher

FIELD EXPERIENCE

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| 2010 | Inner-Mongolia, Heilongjiang Province, Jilin Province, Liaoning Province, Qinghai Province, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on Sibe culture • 5 months |
| 2011–2013 | Inner-Mongolia, Heilongjiang Province, Jilin Province, Liaoning Province, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on Sibe ethnonationalism • 14 months |
| 2013–2014 | Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on Sibe ethnonationalism • 14 months |
| 2017 | Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 1 month |
| 2018 | Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 3 months |
| 2019 | Jilin Province, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 1 month |
| 2023 | Jilin Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 1 week |
| 2024 | Liaoning Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 1 week |
| 2025 | Heilongjiang Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on the process of heritagization • 1 week Liaoning Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research on Sibe ethnographers • 2 weeks |
| ACADEMIC TEACHING | |
| 2009–2011 | „Dharma Gate” Budapest Buddhist University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classical Chinese Language; Modern Chinese Language; History of Chinese Culture; History of China; History of Chinese Philosophy and Religion; History of Buddhism in China; Bamboo Painting |
| 2017–2017 | Department of Translation and Interpreting, Eötvös Loránd University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Translation Techniques |
| 2017–2018 | School of Ethnology and Sociology, Xinjiang Normal University, China |

- History, Memory, Identity; From Hungarian Ethnography to European Ethnology
- 2021– Department of Chinese Studies, Institute of East Asian Studies, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary
- The Peoples of the Far East I-II.; Translation Techniques II.; Reading Texts III.; Modern Sinology; History of the Religion of the Far East; Religions of the Far East; Religion in Modern China; Fieldwork, Politics and Ethics in Asia

GRANTS, AWARDS

GRANTS

2005–2006

Chinese State Scholarship

- Beijing Language and Culture University, China
- study in another HEI
- 12 months

2010

Eötvös Grant (Hungarian State Scholarship Board)

- Central Minzu University, Beijing, China
- study in another HEI
- 3 months

2013

Campus Hungary Program

- Cultural Department of Qapqal Sibe Autonomous County, Xinjiang, China
- off-site practise
- 6 months

2014

Campus Hungary Program

- Ili Normal College, Xinjiang, China
- study in another HEI
- 6 months

AWARDS

2005

The First Chinese Language Competition of Hungarian Undergraduate Students

- 2nd place

2006

Socio-photo Competition of the Hungarian Sociological Association

- 1st place

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

MEMBERSHIP

2018

Member of the Public Body of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

2020

European Association for Chinese Studies
American Association for Chinese Studies

PUBLICATIONS

FULL PUBLICATION LIST

<https://m2.mtmt.hu/gui2/?type=authors&mode=browse&sel=authors10025044>

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

2012

Xiongyali renleixue lishi (The History of Hungarian Ethnology)

- School of Ethnology and Sociology, Xinjiang Normal University, China
- in Chinese

Zhuming de Xiongyali renleixue jia (Famous Hungarian Ethnologists)

- History and Culture Research Center of Northeast Ethnic Groups in China, Dalian Minzu University, China
- in Chinese

2018

Secularization and Heritagization or Where Have Superstitions Gone? Sirin Mama and the Intangible Cultural Heritage of the Chinese Sibe

- Ruhr-Universität, Bochum, Germany
- The title of the conference: *Traditional Religions, Secularism, and Revivals: Buddhism and Shamanism in Northern Eurasia*
- in English

The Emotional Background of the Sibe Ethnonationalism

- Ludwig Maximilians Universität, Munich, Germany
- in English

Family Tree Reunification and Identity Homogenization Among the Sibe

- Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic
- The title of the conference: *The 2nd International Conference of Sibe Studies (ICSS)*
- in English

2019

The Story of an Unborn Book: Investigating the heritagization of past narratives among the Chinese Sibe

- University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
- The title of the conference: *Present Tense, Past Perfect? Narrative constructions of social representations in Central Eurasia*
- in English

From the Mists of Martyrdom

- Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany
- in English

The Genealogical Community of the Chinese Sibe and the 'Family Tree Reunification Story' of the Hashūri clan

2023

- School of History and Culture, Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China
- in Chinese and English

Fieldwork, Politics and Heritagization of Religion in China

- Halle an der Saale, Germany
- The title of the conference: *The Young Scholars Groups Conference: Asia, which way will you swipe?*
- in English

2025

The Heritage of the Last Sibe Lama

- Budapest, Hungary
- The title of the conference: *Textual Tradition of Mongolian Buddhism: Written and Oral Traditions*
- in English

From the periphery of the periphery. On indigenous researchers through the portrait of a Sibe amateur local historian

- Berlin, Germany
- The title of the conference: *Transactions in Xinjiang: Cultural, Socio-economic and Historical Sources on the Chinese Western Regions (1750-1976)*
- in English