Curriculum vitae

János László PhD, DSc

Born: 1948. 01. 12., Budapest

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Family: married, two children: Flora (born 1976), Sara (born 1980)

Current academic position: Head of the Department of Social Psychology, Institute for Psychology of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and Professor and Director of the Institute of Psychology of the University of Pecs

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University studies:

1968-1970 Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest, psychology, Russian language

1971-1973 Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest, clinical psychology

Ph.D. Dissertation: 1974, Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest

Drama and Performance: A Comparative Psychological Study of Moliere's Amphytrion.

C.Sc. Dissertation: 1984, Budapest

Situational and interpersonal scripts in memory

D.Sc. Dissertation: 1995, Budapest

The psychology of literary narratives: Text-processing and social cognitive approaches

Academic positions:

1973-1975 junior research fellow, Inst. for Psychology of the HAS

1976-1984 research fellow, Inst. for Psychology of the HAS

1985-1996 senior research fellow, Inst. for Psychology of the HAS, Head of the Department of Cognitive Soc. Psych.

1997- 1999, deputy director

2000- scientific advisor, head of the Department of Social Psychology

Teaching positions:

1981-1986 Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest, part time lecturer

1989-1996, Janus Pannonius University, Pécs, part time associate professor

1996-currently, University of Pécs, professor

Visiting professor:

1987 University of Aarhus, Denmark

1990-1991 University of Toronto Scarborough Campus, Canada

2001 European PhD Program in Communication and Social Representations, University of Rome

Subjects thought:

introductory social psychology, advanced social psychology, cultural social psychology, political social psychology, nonverbal communication, text-comprehension, literary text-processing, psychology of literature, social representations, narrative psychology

Scholarships and awards:

1969 Visiting student scholarship to the Humbold University, Berlin, GDR, 1 month

1973 National Competition of Scientific Student Circles, 1st Award in psychology

1977 Early Career Award of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

1978 Hungarian Academy of Sciences-NAS scholarship to the US, 5 months

1987 National Agency of Scholarships, 2 months research grant to Denmark

1991-1992 Heinrich Hertz Scholarship, 7 months to the University of Siegen

1996 Netherland Institute of Advanced Studies, 2 months

1996-2000 Széchenyi Professorship

2006 Outstanding Intellectual Achievement Award of the University of Pécs

2006 Kardos Lajos Award

2008 Outstanding Intellectual Achievement Award of the University of Pécs

Research grants:

Social consciousness, social structure, way of life (principal researcher with F. Pataki) 1.000 eft, 1987-1991.

Cognitive structures and processes in regulation of social behavior (principal researcher) 1.600 eft, 1991-1994.

Experience and social representation of corruption 1.600 eft, 1995-1998

Family socialization and coping with unemployment 1.000 eft, 1995-1996

Identity and integration. A social psychological study of the European integration process in Hungary. 2.000 eft. 1998-1999.

Identity and life history. A narrative approach. 2.600 eft 1999-2002

Narrative representations of history and national identity 4750 eft 2001-2004

Development of content analytic programs above the morphologic and lexical level 55.000 eft (2001-2004)

Uncovering patterns of identity construction and coping in historical novels 7.600 eft (2005-2008)

Study of national and ethnic identity through computerised content analysis of historical narratives 89.000 eft (2005-2008)

Austrian Science and Research Liason Office Conference Grant 5.000 Euro 2007

European Science Foundation grant for "Historical trajectories and national identities" 14.000 Euro, 2007.

Memberships in academic associations:

Hungarian Psychological Association 1974-

International Association of Empirical Aesthetics 1985-

vice-president 1996-1998

European Association of Experimental Social Psychology 1986-

member of the Executive Committee 1989-1996

International Association of Empirical Studies of Literature 1986-

President 2000-2002

Summer Institute of Political Psychology (Varsó) 2001-

A tudományos tanácsadó testület tagja 2001-

COST ISCH Domain Committee 2008-

Editorial practice:

Pszichologia (Hungarian Journal of Psychology) editor, technical editor (1981-1988)

European Journal of Social Psychology, Pszichologia, Magyar Pszichológiai Szemle (Hungarian Review of Psychology) reviewer

Journal of Cultural and Evolutionary Psychology, editor-in chief, 2003-2006

Journal of Evolutionary Psychology member of the editorial board (2005-)

Review of Psychology member of the editorial board (2004-)

Committee service:

Hungarian Psychological Association, Section Social Psychology, secretary 1976-1985

Committee on the Psychology of Literature of HAS 1984-87

Committee of General Linguistics of HAS 1976-84

Committee of Psychology of HAS 1990-

JPTE Doctoral Committee 1998-2000

PTE Doctoral Committe 2001-, chairman 2007-

PTE Faculty of Humanities Doctoral Council, chairman 2001-2007

HAS Doctoral Council 2001-2007

OTKA (National Research Foundation) Committee of Social Sciences 2001-2004

Hungarian Doctoral Council, chairman 2008-

Languages spoken: Hungarian, English, German, Russian

Research interests: organization and representation of social knowledge, social explanation, literary text-interpretation, narrative psychology, national and European identity

Conference Organizations:

10th General Meeting of EAESP, 1990. Budapest

Literature and Socialpsychology, 1992. Siegen

Cultural Social Psychology 4th European Congress of Psychology, 1995. Athen

Narrative Organization of Social Representation, 1995. Budapest

5th Alps-Adria Conference, 1999. Pécs

Theory and Method in Societal Psychology, 2001. Pécs

Social Cognition: Cultural and Evolutionary Perspectives, 2002. Budapest

ESF Conferences on "Historical trajectories ad national identities" 2006 Budapest; 2007 Goldegg am See, Austria

COST-ESF Conference on Complex Systems and Changes. Darwin and Evolution: the Past, the Present and the Future. Sant Feliu de Guixols, Spain 15 - 20 September 2009