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RESEARCH PROFILE

Philosopher and bioethicist specializing in the ethical, phenomenological, and ontological implications of emerging medical technologies. My current research focuses on Medical Digital Twin (MDT) systems, artificial intelligence in healthcare, digital representations of the human body, and the transformation of patienthood, autonomy, and clinical decision-making in the era of precision medicine.

Research Areas

- Bioethics and Digital Health
- Medical Digital Twins (MDT)
- AI Ethics in Healthcare
- Philosophy of Medicine
- Phenomenology of Embodiment
- Medical Sociology
- Philosophy of Technology
- Philosophical Anthropology
- Human–Technology Relations
- Intersubjectivity and Alterity
- Philosophy of Religion
- Phenomenology

EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy (Phenomenology)

Faculty of Humanities, Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Budapest, Hungary

Awarded: 2025

Dissertation:

The Role of Immediacy in Experience: A Diacritical-Phenomenological Analysis of Immediacy and Its Three Historical Transformations

Supervisor:
Tamás Ullmann, Dr. habil.

Public Defense:
5 May 2025

Distinction:
Summa Cum Laude

MA in Philosophy and Ethics, Secondary School Teaching Qualification

University of Szeged, Hungary

Graduated: 2007

Thesis:
The Problem of Rationality and Irrationality from a Structural Perspective

Supervisor:
Ferenc Simon, PhD

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND TEACHING

Lecturer in Medical Sociology

Semmelweis University
Institute of Behavioural Sciences
2025–present

Courses:

- Medical Sociology
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Lecturer in Medical Ethics and Dental Ethics

Semmelweis University
Institute of Behavioural Sciences
2025–present

Courses:

- Medical Ethics
 - Dental Ethics
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Lecturer

Dharma Gate Buddhist College
2025–present

Courses:

- Philosophy of Religion
 - Cultural Anthropology
 - The Role of Immediacy in Experience: Conceptual-Historical and Practical Investigations from Antiquity to Post-Phenomenology
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Seminar Organizer and Instructor

Auróra Thinking Circle
2022–2023

Course:

Self and Other: The Genesis of Intersubjectivity from Antiquity to Post-Phenomenology

Twelve-session public seminar series hosted by the Lutheran Congregation of Vecsés.

Teaching Practicum Instructor

Gyula Andrásy Secondary School and College
Békéscsaba, Hungary
2007

Course:

Mass and Individual in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Social Philosophy and Social Theory

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Edited Volumes Contributions

Berta, G. (2025).

The Paradox of Perseus: How Does Memory Bypass Language?

In Á. Forczek, D. Schmal & T. Ullmann (Eds.), *Figures of Self-Identity: Narrative and Memory* (pp. 210–229).

Berta, G. (2020).

Rehabilitating Immediacy: Different Paths Toward the Direct Grasp of Life in Bergsonian and Husserlian Philosophy.

In *Points of Collision VI* (pp. 29–41).

Berta, G. (2014).

The Forgotten Starting Point of the Line: A Possible Model for Grasping Reality-Relations in Comic Narrative.

In *Everyday Life as Topic and Framework* (pp. 330–349).

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Berta, G. (2023).

The Roots of Autarky: Long-Term Perspectives of Artificial Intelligence in the Light of a Phenomenological Ontology.

Többlät: Philosophical Journal, XV(1), 98–113.

Berta, G. (2022).

States of Consciousness and the Emergence of Ethical Immediacy in the Philosophy of Emmanuel Levinas.

Elpis: Journal of Philosophy, 15(1–2), 57–72.

Berta, G. (2020).

Examples of the Manifestation of Immediacy in Phenomenology: Maurice Merleau-Ponty and Others.

Culture and Community, 131–149.

Berta, G. (2015).

Beyond Topoi: Unmasking Our Views on Medieval Conceptions of Death.

Culture and Community, 65–88.

Scholarly Essays and Reviews

Berta, G. (2021).

The Process of Differentiation: Long-Term Perspectives of Artificial Intelligence in the Light of a Phenomenological Ontology.

PRAE.HU.

Berta, G. (2020).
Supplementary Remarks on the Pluralism of Contexts.
Review essay on Ottó Hévizi's work and Ádám Lovász's interpretation.
Culture and Community, 147–149.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2026

Bioethics on the Horizon of Virtuality: Ethical Issues of Medical Digital Twins (MDT, VHT) and Other Virtual Representations.

Semmelweis Behavioural Sciences Days,
Semmelweis University,
Budapest, Hungary.

2025

The Silence and Speech of God: The Experience of the Compulsion to Dialogue with the Absolute and Its Possible Resolutions in Merleau-Ponty, Ricoeur, and Levinas.

Religion and Phenomenology Conference,
Hungarian Phenomenological Association and ELTE.

How Does the Gaze Come to Life? The Transformation of the Act of the Gaze in Sartre, Merleau-Ponty, and Levinas.

The Phenomenology of Perception after Eighty Years,
ELTE Institute of Philosophy.

2022

Three States of Consciousness and the Emergence of Ethical Immediacy in the Philosophy of Emmanuel Levinas.

Aspects of Consciousness Conference,
Hungarian Phenomenological Association.

2021

A Possible Developmental Schema of Artificial Intelligence from a Phenomenological Perspective.

Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence Conference.

2019

Rehabilitating Immediacy: Different Paths Toward the Direct Grasp of Life in Bergson and Husserl.

Points of Collision VI Doctoral Conference.

From Ideality to Facticity: Phenomenology's Search for the Direct Grasp of Life in Merleau-Ponty and Michel Henry.

Aspects of Life Conference.

2014

The Forgotten Starting Point of the Line: A Possible Model for Grasping Reality-Relations in Comic Narrative.

University of Pécs Media Conference.

2011

István Zádor: The Clear Mind of a Draftsman.

The Message of the Line Conference,
University of Szeged.

2005

Interpreting the Structure of Irrationality and the Possibility of Its Resolution in Hegel's Philosophy.

27th National Scientific Students' Conference (OTDK).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Administrator and Editor

ELTE Philosophy Circle
2019–present

Administration and editorial work for one of the largest Hungarian online philosophy communities, disseminating information about national and international philosophical events, publications, and academic opportunities.

HR Consultant

Get Work Trend Kft.
2011 - 2018
Budapest, Hungary

Recruiting: Automotive / Machinery / Electrical / Plastic manufacturing / Information technologies and services / Facility Management / Maintenance / Financial

High level communication on side of clients and side of candidates

Advertising and visual branding

Boolean sourcing and other innovative sourcer strategies

End-to-end HR process /consulting - profile writing - pre screening - sourcing - calling - interviewing - testing - coaching - evaluating - reporting/

LANGUAGES

Hungarian — Native

English — B2 (Upper Intermediate)

French — Intermediate Reading and Writing Proficiency

REFERENCES

Available upon request.