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Research Areas

- Czech Religion in European Context Since 18th Century to the Present
- Protestant Church History
- Sociology of Religion and Culture
- Popular Culture of the 20th Century
- History of Sociology and Social Sciences
- Social Anthropology
- Economic Sociology

Courses

See [SIS](#).

Contact Information and Office Hours

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Work Experience

- **2001–present:** Charles University, Faculty of Humanities – Associate Professor
- **2002–present:** Czech Academy of Sciences, Institute of Sociology – Senior Researcher
- **2003–2005:** Charles University, Faculty of Arts – Researcher

Education

- **2009:** Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague, Habilitation
- **2005:** Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague, PhD. in history
- **2002:** Faculty of Arts, Charles University, Prague, M. A. in history of religions
- **2001:** Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague, M. A. in social anthropology
- **1998:** Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague, B. A. in humanities

Foreign Fellowships

- **2006:** EHESS Paris – Centre d'études interdisciplinaires des faits religieux
- **2007:** University of California Santa Barbara – Dpt. of Religious Studies

Memberships

- **2016–present:** Central European Journal for Contemporary Religion – member of EB
- **2014–present:** member of the Disciplinary Committee for Philosophy and Religious Sciences
- **2008–present:** Anthropological journal Lidé města / Urban People – editor-in-chief
- **2006–2016:** Sociologický časopis / Czech Sociological Review – member of EB
- **2009–2013:** Czech Science Foundation (GA CR) - chairperson of the Disciplinary Committee for History and Archeology
- **2009–2011:** vice-chairperson of General Committee for Social Sciences and Humanities
- Member of Historical Comitte on the Study of Re-Catholisation of the Czech Lands in the 16th - 18th Centuries

Selected Publications

- "Religious Processes in Contemporary Czech Society." *Sociologický časopis/Czech Sociological Review* 40, 2004, 3: 277–295.

- „Nation statt Konfession. Der Niedergang konfessioneller Wahrnehmungsmuster und das Anwachsen des Nationalbewußtseins in Böhmen an der Wende vom 18. zum 19. Jahrhundert.“ *Historisches Jahrbuch* 126, 2006: 191-219.
- „The Son Has Ploughed‘, But a Foreign Son. Five Case Studies on Transformation Strategies in Czech Agriculture after 1989.“ *Sociologický časopis/Czech Sociological Review* 42, 2006, 6: 1171-1194.
- „Three European Sociologies of Religion. Beyond the Usual Agenda of the Discipline.“ *Sociologický časopis/Czech Sociological Review* 44, 2008, 3: 557-578.
- „Invisible Religion in a ‘Non-believing’ Country. The Case of the Czech Republic.“ *Social Compass* 56, 2009, 4: 581-597 (with Dana Hamplova).
- „Religion: An Unsolved Problem for the Modern Czech Nation.“ *Sociologický časopis/Czech Sociological Review* 45, 2009, 6: 1215-1237 (with Olga Nesporova).
- „Religion in der tschechischen Gesellschaft nach 1989.“ Pp. 877-894 in Martin Schulze Wessel – Martin Zückert (Hg.): *Handbuch der Religions- und Kirchengeschichte der böhmischen Länder und Tschechiens im 20. Jahrhundert*. München 2009: Oldenbourg.
- „Der Wandel der tschechischen (Nicht-)Religiosität im 20. Jahrhundert im Lichte soziologischer Forschungen.“ *Historisches Jahrbuch* 129, 2009: 501-532.
- „Attitudes towards Religion(s) in a ‘Non-believing’ Czech Republic.“ *Anthropological Journal of European Cultures* 19, 2010, 1: 68-84.
- „L’amnésie de la remémoration dans la société tch?que.“ *Archive de Sciences Sociales des Religions* 55, 2010, 149: 109-128.
- „Birth of the ‘Cremation Power.“ Growth in Cremation and Building of Crematoria in the Czech Republic.“ Pp. 248-262 in Marius Rotar - Adriana Teodorescu (eds.): *Dying and Death in 18th-21st Century Europe*. Newcastle upon Tyne 2011: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.
- „Czech Sociology of Religion under the Communist Regime 1948-1989.“ Pp. 59-87 in Ulf Brunnbauer – Claudia Kraft – Martin Schulze Wessel (eds.): *Sociology and Ethnography in East-Central and South-East Europe. Scientific Self-Description in State Socialist Countries*. München 2011: Oldenbourg.
- „Czech Republic“, „Enlightenment“, „Poland“ Pp. 275, 345-347, 1000-1001 in Mark Juergensmeyer – Wade Clark Roof (eds.): *Encyclopedia of Global Religion*. Los Angeles 2012: Sage.
- „‘Volkshandschriften‘ in der Religionsgeschichte der böhmischen Ländern im 18. und 19. Jahrhundert. Barock und Aufklärung bei Katolíkem und Nichtkatóken.“ *Historisches Jahrbuch* 2011, 132: 304-353 (with Hedvika Kucharova).
- „Cremation Movement in the Czech Lands in the 20th Century.“ Pp. 119-140 in Eric Venbrux – Thomas Quartier – Claudia Venhorst – Brenda Mathijssen (eds.): *Changing European Death Ways*. Münster 2013: LIT.
- “Sociological Research Conducted on the Poor in Interwar Prague.” In: *Poverty, Charity and Social Welfare in Central Europe in the 19th – 20th Century*. Newcastle upon Tyne 2016: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.