

Code: BMA-MEDD-601.91

Course title: Freedom of speech in Hungary in International Context

Course convenor: Mihály Szilágyi-Gál

Class time and place: Wednesday 17:45-19:15, Múzeum krt. 6-8, 2nd floor, room 251

Availability: BA, MA

Course type: Seminar

ECTS: 10

Course content: The course addresses the phenomena of hate speech and free speech. By offering an overview of the international literature of the main related conceptual controversies, the course also addresses the Hungarian case both as example and as exception. As such we focus both on cross-national aspects of free speech and its abuses through fighting words and on some specific elements of the development of these matters in Hungary since 1990 onwards.

Course requirements: The requirements for obtaining a final grade are the following: 1. in-class test (25% of the final grade), 2. the participation of the student on an in-class debate between two or more students about a freely chosen topic regarding hate speech and free speech and discussing the scholarly existing pro and contra arguments of the topic (25% of the final grade), 3. final test in the exam period (50% of the final grade). The readings are available on a personal website and will be shared in due time. My contact address: szilagyi-gal.mihaly@btk.elte.hu

Course readings: Péter Bajomi-Lázár: „From One-Party to Multi-Party Media Control – and Back” in *Global Media Journal*. January 2013. 26-43
[file:///C:/Users/Felhaszn%C3%A1l%C3%B3/Downloads/Media%20Journal%20-%20Slovak%20Edition%20January%202013.pdf%20\(1\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/Felhaszn%C3%A1l%C3%B3/Downloads/Media%20Journal%20-%20Slovak%20Edition%20January%202013.pdf%20(1).pdf)

Péter Bajomi-Lázár: „The Party Colonization of the Media: The Case of Hungary” in *East European Politics and Societies*. November 20, 2012, January 21, 2013. 69-89

[file:///C:/Users/Felhaszn%C3%A1l%C3%B3/Downloads/East%20European%20Politics%20and%20Societies%20February%202013%20\(1\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/Felhaszn%C3%A1l%C3%B3/Downloads/East%20European%20Politics%20and%20Societies%20February%202013%20(1).pdf)

Rebecca MacKinnon: *Consent of the Networked. The worldwide struggle for internet freedom*. London, Basic books, 2012. 82-99

Péter Molnár: “Interview with Robert Post”. 11-36, Edwin C. Baker: „Hate Speech”. 57-80; July Suk: “Denying Experience: holocaust denial and the free speech theory of the state”. 144-163; Kwame Anthony Appiah: “What’s wrong with defamation of religion?” 164-181; Arthur Jacobson and Bernhard Schlink: “Hate speech and self-restraint”. 217-241; Michel Rosenfeld: “Hate speech in constitutional jurisprudence: a comparative analysis”. 242-289

(OR) Robert A. Kahn: „Keresztégetés, holokauszttagadás és a gyűlöletbeszéd szabályozásának fejlődése az Egyesült Államokban és Németországban” (ford.: Schreckné Juhász Judit) in: Robert A. Kahn: *A gyűlölet szabadsága – amerikai és európai perspektívák*. (szerk.: Koltay András) Budapest: Wolters Kluwer, 2016. 71-107); Ronald Dworkin: “Reply to Jeremy Waldron”. 341-344; Tarlach McGonagler: “A survey and critical analysis of Council of Europe Strategies for countering ‘hate speech’” 456-

498 (OR Robert A. Kahn: „Flemming Rose, a dán karikatúrrobotrány és az újtípusú európai szólásszabadság” (ford.: Guld Ádám) in: Robert A. Kahn: *A gyűlölet szabadsága – amerikai és európai perspektívák*. (szerk.: Koltay András) Budapest: Wolters Kluwer, 2016. 283-317); Monroe Price: “Orbiting hate: satellite transponders and free expression”. 514-537 in *Content and Context of Hate Speech. Rethinking Regulation and Responses*. ed. By Michael Herz and Peter Molnar. Cambridge University Press, 2012.
