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FIELDS OF PROFESSIONAL INTEREST

lexical semantics, event structure, argument structure, the syntax and semantics of inner aspect

APPOINTMENTS

September 1, 2025 – present: Associate Professor in the Department of English Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies, University of Debrecen

January 19, 2024 – present: member of the Theoretical Linguistics Working Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

January 1, 2023 – May 31, 2024: member of the Linguistics Panel of the National Research, Development and Innovation Office in Hungary

April 1, 2022 – June 30, 2027: Department Chair in the Department of English Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies, University of Debrecen

September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2025: Senior Lecturer in the Department of English Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies, University of Debrecen

January 1, 2012 – August 31, 2015: Junior Lecturer in the Department of English Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies, University of Debrecen

QUALIFICATIONS

2024: Habilitation in linguistics, University of Debrecen

2012: PhD in linguistics, University of Debrecen

Dissertation advisors: John Beavers (The University of Texas at Austin) and Gergely Pethő (University of Debrecen)

2006: M.A. with honors in English linguistics and literature, University of Debrecen

FELLOWSHIPS

September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2028: Bolyai János Research Fellow of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

September 1, 2023 – January 31, 2024: Sabbatical for the purpose of habilitation research at the University of Debrecen

January 8-12, 2018	Erasmus+ teaching fellow – Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
October 2010 – May 2011:	Fulbright visiting student researcher at the University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, USA
January 2010 – June 2010:	visiting student at Indiana University Bloomington, IN, USA
January 2005 – May 2005:	ISEP student at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA, USA

HONORS AND AWARDS

2023: Publication Award of the Count István Tisza Foundation for the University of Debrecen

2022: Female Scientist of the Year Award at the University of Debrecen

2021: Dean's Award for Teaching and Research Excellence

2020: Publication Award of the University of Debrecen (This prize is shared with Éva Lovra.)

2019: Publication Award of the Institute of English and American Studies at the University of Debrecen

COURSES TAUGHT AT UD

B.A. IN ENGLISH STUDIES

1st year

Grammar in Context
Advanced Writing and Composition
Targeting the Verb Phrase

2nd year

Targeting the Noun Phrase
Introduction to Linguistics
Challenging Grammar
The English Sentence

3rd year

Semantics and Pragmatics
Varieties of English
Topics in Language Research: Resultatives

M.A. IN ENGLISH STUDIES

Argument Structure
Advanced Research Methods in Linguistics (co-taught with György Rákosi)
Terms and Concepts in Literary and Linguistic Studies (Syntax: Introduction to Minimalism)
Advanced Topics in Syntax: Inner Aspect

COURSES IN THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM

The Syntax and Semantics of Event Structure

ELECTIVES

Hungarian from a Linguistic Perspective (co-taught with Péter Szűcs and György Rákosi)

COURSES TAUGHT AT SUMMER SCHOOLS

August 3-7, 2026: The Syntax and Semantics of Inner Aspect ([OVA Summer School](#), University of Debrecen)

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

Kardos, Éva. To appear. Event structure and aspect. In Károly Bibok (ed.), *Syntax of Hungarian: Verbs and Verb Phrases*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

Kardos, Éva. 2025. Fordulópontok a belső aspektus kutatásában [Turning points in research on inner aspect]. *Nyelvtudományi Közlemények* 121: 71-106.

Kardos, Éva. 2024. Culmination phenomena across languages. *Language and Linguistics Compass* 18(5): 1-24.

Kardos, Éva and Andrea Szávó. 2024. Event lexicalization in Hungarian. In Marcel den Dikken & Hideki Kishimoto (eds.), *Formal Perspectives on Secondary Predication*. Berlin: De Gruyter Mouton.

Kardos, Éva. 2023. A magyar igék lexikális szemantikájának megszorítottsága [Lexical semantic constraints in Hungarian verbs]. In Balázs Surányi & Beáta Gyuris (eds.), *Általános Nyelvészeti Tanulmányok* 35. *Tanulmányok a jelentéstan köréből* [Studies in General Linguistics 35. Studies in Semantics]. Budapest: Akadémiai Kiadó. 249-280.

Kardos, Éva and Imola-Ágnes Farkas. 2022. The syntax of inner aspect in Hungarian. *Journal of Linguistics* 58(4): 807-845.

Kardos, Éva. 2021. Lexical semantics. In Bas Aarts, April McMahon & Lars Hinrichs (eds.), *The Handbook of English Linguistics. Second Edition*. Hoboken, NJ, USA: Wiley Blackwell. 501-523.

Kardos, Éva. 2019. Situation aspectual properties of creation/consumption predicates. *Acta Linguistica Academica* 66(4): 491-525.

Kardos, Éva. 2016. Telicity marking in Hungarian. *Glossa: a Journal of General Linguistics*, 1(1), 41. 1-37.

TALKS AND POSTERS

Invited talks and colloquia

October 21, 2025: On the diversity of event structural elements across languages. Kobe University, Kobe, Japan. (joint work with Gergely Pethő)

December 14, 2023: A magyar igék lexikális szemantikájának megszorítottsága [Lexical semantic constraints in Hungarian verbs]. Talk given at the Általános Nyelvészeti Tanulmányok 35 volume launch. Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics, Budapest, Hungary.

October 27, 2018: The syntax of inner aspect in Hungarian. Invited talk given at *the Beijing Argument Structure and Event Structure Workshop* at the Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China.

June 21, 2017: Telicity across languages. Invited talk given at the *Colloquium: Semantics and Pragmatics Exchange (SemPrE)* at Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany.

May 23, 2017: On the semantics and syntax of situation aspect in Hungarian. Invited talk given at the Research Institute for Linguistics in Budapest, Hungary.

April 2015: Argument structural complexity is reflected in event structural complexity: evidence from English and Hungarian. Invited talk given at *the Linguistics Seminar* at the Department of Linguistics at the University of Florida. Gainesville, Florida, USA.

November 2011: Aspectual variation in light of data from Hungarian and English. Invited talk. *Linglunch* lecture series. Université Paris Diderot – Paris 7, Paris, France.

Other talks and posters

August 27, 2026: (with Gergely Pethő) Telicity is a syntactic matter, while results are a semantic property. Poster to be presented at the 59th Annual Meeting of Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE 2026). Universität Osnabrück, Osnabrück, Germany.

November 16, 2024: Result creation and modification in Hungarian. Talk given at the *International Workshop on the Syntax of Predication and Modification*. Nihon University, Tokyo, Japan.

September 9, 2024: The structure of the event domain. Habilitation lecture (sample graduate-level class). University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary.

September 9, 2024: A belső aspektus szemantikai és szintaktikai elemzései [Semantic and syntactic analyses of inner aspect]. Habilitation lecture. University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary.

June 11, 2024: (with Gergely Pethő) Results are independent from telicity: Evidence from result modification in Hungarian. Talk to be given at the *Workshop on Aspect and Argument Structure of Adverbs/Adjectives and Prepositions/Participles* (WAASAP 2024). Universitat Rovira i Virgili. Tarragona, Spain.

April 17, 2023: Introduction to the theme of the *International Workshop on Maximalization Strategies in the Event Domain*. University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary.

September 22, 2022: (with Andrea Szávó) The structure of the event domain reflects scopal relations in Hungarian: Evidence from resultatives and depictives. Poster presented at the *15th Conference on Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonJA 15)* at the University of Udine, Udine, Italy.

October 31, 2021: (with Andrea Szávó) Revisiting event lexicalization in Hungarian: constraints on the encoding of Path/Res in verbal particles and resultative PPs. Talk given at the *International Secondary Predication Workshop 2021*. Online.

August 31, 2021: (with Márton Jánosy, Gergely Pethő and Andrea Szávó) Cross-linguistic influence in L3 acquisition: evidence for non-facilitative transfer from the acquisition of resultatives in L3 Spanish. Talk given at the workshop *Complex predicates across languages: variation and acquisition* at the *54th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea*. Online.

July 6, 2021: (with Márton Jánosy, Gergely Pethő and Andrea Szávó) Non-facilitative transfer in the L3 acquisition of Spanish. Talk given at the third *International Conference of the Réseau d'Acquisition des Langues Secondes* (Second Language Acquisition Network). University of Toulouse, Toulouse, France.

June 11, 2019: (with Imola-Ágnes Farkas) On the syntactic complexity of the event domain in Hungarian. Talk given at the *14th International Conference on the Structure of Hungarian*. Bildungsforum Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany.

December 11, 2018: (with Imola-Ágnes Farkas) The syntax of inner aspect in Hungarian. Talk given at the *11th Brussels Conference in Generative Linguistics*, KU Leuven, Brussels Campus, Brussels, Belgium.

January 2018: (with Imola-Ágnes Farkas) A unified scalar analysis of the aspectual effect of particles, the pseudo-object *egyed* 'one.ACC' and created/consumed objects in Hungarian. Poster presented at the workshop *Endpoints 2018* at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Berlin, Germany.

September 2015: (with Gergely Pethő) The interaction between event structure and argument structure: the Hungarian facts. Talk given at the *48th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea*. Leiden University Center for Linguistics, Leiden, Holland.

August 2013: The aspectual structure of creation/consumption predicates. Talk given at the *11th International Conference on the Structure of Hungarian (ICSH11)*. Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Piliscsaba, Hungary.

September 2012: The ingredients of telicity. Talk given at the *5th Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis Conference (SinFonJA 5)*. University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria.

November 2008: (with Gergely Pethő) Transitivity and event structure: Evidence from Hungarian complex verbs. Talk given at a workshop on transitivity at the University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany.

June 2006: (with Gergely Pethő) A cross-linguistic investigation of the licensing and interpretation of implicit object arguments. Talk given at the *Languages in Contrast* conference at the University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

May 22, 2026: Mit tud a nyelvtanuló és hogyan vizsgálja ezt egy nyelvész [What do language learners know and how do linguists examine this]? MTA Alumni talk given at Hőgyes Endre High School in Hajdúszoboszló.

April 25, 2024: The syntax of inner aspect in Hungarian. Talk given at the talk series 'GTIDEA Journal Club' of the Count István Tisza Foundation for the University of Debrecen.

January 30, 2023: Invited talk given at Huszár Gál High School (Debrecen) about language and language acquisition.

January 15, 2021: A nyelvtudással és nyelvtanulással kapcsolatos néhány tévhit és azok cáfolata [Busting myths on language and language acquisition]. Invited talk given online at Mensa HungarIQa.

December 10, 2020: A nyelvtudással és nyelvtanulással kapcsolatos néhány tévhit és azok cáfolata [Busting myths on language and language acquisition]. Invited talk given online at the Hatvani István College for Advanced Studies (Hatvani István Szakkollégium) at the University of Debrecen.

April 2014: The Politics of Education in Contemporary Hungary: The Higher Education System. Invited talk given at Ferris State University, Big Rapids, MI, USA.

RESEARCH GRANTS

October 2024: recipient of a research grant in the amount of 1 500 000 HUF from the University of Debrecen Program for Outstanding Research Papers.

April 2024 – March 2026: participant in the international project titled 'An investigation of syntactic structures for specifying predication and modification relations' funded by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS). The PI in Hungary is Marcel den Dikken (Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics, Budapest) and the Japan-based PI is Hideki Kishimoto (Kobe University). Other collaborators: Éva Dékány (Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics, Budapest), Andrea Szávó (University of Debrecen), Kiyoko Eguchi (Osaka University), Masashi Kawashima (Nihon University)

June 2022 – May 2023: project leader in the project titled 'An international conference on the cross-linguistic examination of maximalization strategies in the event domain of the sentence'
Project number: MEC_SZ_21 140880
Host institution: University of Debrecen
Amount received: 5 056 000 HUF
Funding agency: the National Research, Development and Innovation Office in Hungary

2013 – 2017: participant in the project *Comprehensive Grammar Resources: Hungarian*
Project number: OTKA 100804
Host institution: Research Institute for Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences,
Budapest
PI: István Kenesei

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

REVIEWING WORK

Reviewer for journals: Journal of Linguistics (2014), Language Sciences (2015), Open Linguistics (2018), Language (2018), Glossa (2018, 2020, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2026), Nyelvtudományi Közlemények (2019), Argumentum (2020, 2021), Általános Nyelvészeti Tanulmányok (2021, 2023), The Linguistic Review (2021), Constructions and Frames (2022), Journal of Semantics (2023, 2024), Folia Linguistica Historica (2024), Acta Linguistica Academica (2024, 2026), Journal of Uralic Linguistics (2026), Jelentés és Nyelvhasználat (2026)

Reviewer for books: De Gruyter Mouton (2022)

Reviewer for book chapters: Springer (2017), Cambridge University Press (2017), Peter Lang (2018), John Benjamins (2018), De Gruyter Mouton (2022), Selected Papers from the 53rd Annual Conference on African Linguistics (2022)

Reviewer for conferences: 32nd National Student Conference in Hungary (2015), Debrecen Workshop on Pronouns (2017), GLOW 41 – reviewer for the workshop Predication in relation to propositions and properties (2018), 17th China International Conference on Contemporary Linguistics - reviewer for the Beijing Argument Structure and Event Structure Workshop (2018), 3rd Budapest Linguistics Conference (2019), SinFonIJA 13 (2020), Aspect (Paris 3, Sorbonne Nouvelle) (2021), International Workshop on Maximalization Strategies in the Event Domain (2023), the 6th Olomouc Linguistics Colloquium (2023), International Conference on the Structure of Hungarian 17 (2025)

Reviewer for grants: National Talent Program in Hungary (2018-2021), German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft) (2023), Bolyai János Research Program in Hungary (2024), National Research, Development and Innovation Office in Hungary (2025)

EVENT ORGANIZATION

Conference/summer school organization

June 9, 2023: co-organizer with Marcel den Dikken of the workshop ‘The grammar of results’ at [the 6th Olomouc Linguistics Colloquium](#) (Olinco 6), Palacký University Olomouc, Olomouc, Czechia

April 17-19, 2023: co-chair with Marcel den Dikken of [the International Workshop on Maximalization Strategies in the Event Domain](#) at the University of Debrecen

February 24-25, 2017: member of the organizing committee of the *Debrecen Workshop on Pronouns* at the University of Debrecen

July 28-August 8, 2014: local co-organizer with Gábor Csernyi of *the 21st Eastern Generative Grammar Summer School* at the University of Debrecen

July 18-20, 2013: member of the organizing committee of *the 18th Lexical-Functional Grammar Conference* at the University of Debrecen

May 25-27, 2012: member of the organizing committee of *the Debrecen Workshop on Argument Structure* at the University of Debrecen

Organization of a study program

June 7-11, 2023: co-organizer of the Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Program titled ‘Language Use and Linguistic Structure: Bringing Comparative and Empirical Studies Together’, Palacký University Olomouc, Olomouc, Czechia

Organization of a talk series

2026 – present: co-organizer with Zsuzsanna Gécseg and Balázs Surányi of the [DokLing talk series](#) in Hungary

SUPERVISION

Current PhD students

September 2021 – present	Andrea Szávó
September 2021 – present	Csilla-Ibolya Sólyom

Past PhD students

September 2017 – January 2022	Christina Hodeib
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Defended on June 22, 2022

PhD Dissertation Committee Member

2024: Viktória Virovec (University of Debrecen)
More than just future – On the non-temporal functions of future markers in Hungarian

PhD Complex Exam Committee Member

June 2020: examiner in syntax for Ameni Mejri

Supervisor in Hatvani István College for Advanced Studies

2022 – 2023: Júlia Dóra Kanta

Supervisor in UD’s Talent Management Program

2025 – 2026: Zsófia Dara

2018 – 2021 Andrea Szávó

Andrea won 2nd place in the 2019 and 2021 National Student Conference in English Linguistics.

2018 – 2020 Anna Julia Ware†

Anna won 1st place in the 2019 National Student Conference in English Linguistics.

Supervisor in the New National Excellence Program in Hungary

2023 – 2024 Csilla-Ibolya Sólyom

2020 – 2021, 2022 – 2023 Andrea Szávó

SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN STUDIES AT UD

Spring 2017 – Spring 2024: co-organizer of the [DEL Colloquium Series](#) in the Department of English Linguistics

February 2021 – April 2023: coordinator for the [International Speaking Skills Development Program](#) in Debrecen

September 2021 – March 2022: member of the [Council of the Institute of English and American Studies](#) representing senior lecturers

Spring 2016 – Spring 2022: member of the Curriculum Committee

Summer 2018 – Summer 2020: co-organizer of the Reading Group in Linguistics (aka the Language Group) in the Department of English Linguistics

2015 – 2019, 2023, 2026: regularly serves as a judge for the [DEbate](#) competition of the Institute for English and American Studies (an English debate competition for high school students)

Spring 2015 – Fall 2019: member of the Search Committee for Grants

Spring 2013 – Spring 2018: test maker and examiner for the English Yardstick Exam Concentrations: listening comprehension, writing, and speaking (at level C1)

Spring 2017 – Fall 2017: coordinator for the Business English program

Fall 2016 – Fall 2017: coordinator for an online language improvement program between the University of Debrecen and Texas A&M University (USA) (This was a joint project with Beatrix Burghardt.)

2014 – 2015: member of the Council of the Department of English Linguistics

2013 – 2015: member of the Council of the Institute of English and American Studies

Fall 2012 – Fall 2017: coordinator for the Information and Communication Design and Technology program

MEMBERSHIPS OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

2017 – present: General Assembly of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

2026 – present: Societas Linguistica Europaea