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Curriculum Vitae

Name: Alexander Baumgarten

Date and place of birth: 16 October 1972, Bucharest

Studies: Bachelor of Philosophy (1995), Master of Philosophy (1996), Bachelor of Classical Philology (1997) at „Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca, PhD in Philosophy (2000) at the University of Bucharest, Habilitation at "Al. I. Cuza" University of Iaşi (2013)

Professional position: Full university professor, director of the Department of Premodern and Romanian Philosophy. Between 2008 and 2012 I was Chancellor of the Faculty of History and Philosophy of “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Cluj-Napoca. Since 2016 I am vice-president of the Scientific Council of “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Cluj-Napoca.

Specialisations: In 1999 I was awarded a research scholarship at the University of Geneva, as part of the collaboration agreement between this university and “Babeş-Bolyai”, where I had Prof. Alain de Libera as my coordinating professor. In the academic year 2000-2001 I was a scholar of “New Europe College” in Bucharest. In the academic year 2003-2004 I was a scholar of the Association of Universities of the Francophonie (AUF), at Ecole de Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, following the invitation of Prof. Alain Boureau. In 2013 I was invited for a month of studies and conferences at the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic in Prague and in 2014 for a month of studies and conferences at "Albertus Magnus Institut" in Bonn.

Publications: I have published **8 volumes of exegesis** on medieval philosophy, **18 volumes with editions** of treaties of ancient and medieval philosophy, with commentaries and critical apparatus, **65 academic studies** in professional journals or collective volumes, other articles, reviews and translations from Greek and Latin authors in separate volumes and journals, as mentioned in the bibliographical list.

Foreign languages: French, English, Latin, Ancient Greek, and Hungarian.

Editorial boards: I am currently leading the collection “Surse clasice” (“Classical Sources”) at Humanitas Publishing House in Bucharest, the collections “Cogito” and “Filosofie medievală” (“Medieval Philosophy”) at Univers Enciclopedic in Bucharest, and at Polirom Publisher in Iași the collection “Biblioteca medievală” (“The Medieval Library”), which support the development of studies and translations of ancient and medieval philosophy into Romanian. I am an editor at “Chora-Revue des Etudes Anciennes et Medievales”, which is issued in Iași, a referent in the editorial board of the magazine “Analele Universității din Timișoara”, a referent in the editorial board of the collection “Neoplatonism” of the Zeta Books Publisher, a referent in the editorial board of “Analele Universității Ștefan cel Mare” from Suceava, of the “Analele Universității Creștine ‘Dimitrie Cantemir’. History Series – New Series”, scientific referent for philosophy of Polirom Publisher, since April 2010.

Member in institutions and commissions of national expertise

Since 2009, member of the National Council for Scientific Research, president of the Humanities Commission. Since 2012, vice-president of this Council.

2008 - 2012 member of the Board of Directors of the Romanian Cultural Institute (ICR).

Since 2008, annually, evaluating member of the Administration of the National Cultural Fund.

Since 2016 member of the General Council and the Philosophy Commission of the National Council for the Certification of University Titles and Diplomas

Academic societies: member of the Writers Union of Romania (since 2016),corresponding member of the Academy “Pontificia Academia Sancti Thomae Aquinatis” in Vatican (since 2004), vice-president of the Romanian Society for Classical Studies, Cluj-Napoca branch (2003-2009), former president of Saint Thomas Aquinas International Society, Romanian

branch (2000-2005), member of Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale – SIEPM – (since 2007), founding member of Association pour la Recherche et la Publication d'Études sur la Faculté des arts (Societas Artistarum), member of the board of directors of Fédération Internationale des Instituts d'Études Médiévales – FIDEM – (since 2015)

Awards and distinctions:

1. The award for academic management offered by “Babeş-Bolyai” University, nr. 23.930/23.12.2008
2. Diploma of excellence for the management of the Center of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy of Babeş-Bolyai” University, nr. 11054, 1. 07. 2010
3. The award for academic management offered by “Babeş-Bolyai” University, nr. 21.906/7.12.2010
4. The 2010 Excellence Award of the National Foundation for Science and Art, "for the translations of Aristotle, Plotinus and Thomas of Aquino and for the remarkable quality of his studies of ancient and medieval philosophy" (chairman: prof. dr. acad. E. Simion)
5. "Petru Creța" Award for Aristotle's edition, *On Soul*, of the National Museum of Romanian Literature, 11 December 2014
6. "Teacher of the week at “Babeş-Bolyai” University": http://news.ubbcluj.ro/top_ubb/conf-univ-dr-habil-alexander-baumgarten/ (2015)
7. The "Excellentia" award of the UBB-Cluj Student Association, May 2016.
8. "Prize for critical edition" offered by the Faculty of History and Philosophy of "Babes-Bolyai" University for Godescalc of Nepomuk, *Theology as a scientific disposition*, Polirom, Iași, 2016 (critical edition, bilingual, critical apparatus and source, study, indices and bibliography).
9. "Prize for scientific excellence", from "Babeş-Bolyai" University, December 2017, for the scientific activity from 2017.
10. "Stefan Bezdechi" Award for Aristotle edition, *Physics*, ed. Universe Enciclopedic Gold, Bucharest, 2018, granted by the Romanian Writers' Union, Cluj branch, July 2019.

Participation in national scientific projects as director or member:

1. 2004-2006: member in CNCSIS project, type A: *Neoplatonism si constructie europeana. Plotin si sursele intelectuale ale modernitatii (Neoplatonism and European construction. Plotinus and the intellectual sources of modernity)*, code: CNCSIS 1724/2003 (2 years), with the approved amount 14.235 lei, project director prof. univ. dr. Vasile Musca.
2. 2005-2008: member in CNCSIS project, type A: *Gândirea politică a lui Platon si Aristotel, fundament al constructiei europene (The political thinking of Plato and Aristotle, the foundation of European construction)* (3 years), code: CNCSIS 1389/2006, with the approved amount 44.219,2 lei, project director prof. univ. dr. Vasile Musca.
3. 2008-2011: member in CNCSIS project, „Idei”: „Origene și patristica” (*Origen and patristics*), project director lect.univ.dr. Adrian Muraru, Univ. „Al. I. Cuza” Iași.
4. 2008-2011: member in CNCSIS project, „Idei”, „Platon și Aristotel în cultura română” (*Plato and Aristotle in Romanian culture*), project director univ.dr. E. Maci, University of Oradea.
5. 2008-2011: director of the project CNCSIS: „Toma din Aquino și sursele medievale ale modernității filosofice” (*Thomas Aquinas and the medieval sources of philosophical modernity*), cod 2410.
6. 2011-2015 member in CNCS project: *Doctrines, Ideas, Manuscripts. New Research Tools For The Study Of The Reception Of Liber De Causis In The Western Medieval Philosophy (XIII-XVth c.)*, director: dr. Dragos Calma
7. Mentor in “The emergence of prescriptive monogamy in Ancient Greece: A reevaluation of proposed theories” (CNCS-UEFISCDI Grant PN-III-P.1-1.1-PD-2016-1346), project leader Vichi Ciocani
8. Mentor in “The Truth Criterion and Phantasia Kataleptike in the Old Stoa”, Scientific research project supported by a grant of the Romanian National Authority for Scientific Research, CNCS – UEFISCDI, project number: PN-II-RU-PD-2011-3-0072, project leader Filotheia Bogoiu
9. 2018-2020, mentor in "Why did Gioacchino da Fiore criticize Petrus Lombardus? The reconstruction of a theological-philosophical debate on Trinity and salvation" code: PN-III-P1-1.1-PD-2016-0436, no. contract: 65/2018, project leader Florina Rodica Hariga

Participation in international research projects:

1. 2009-2010. Member in the project nr. 109/2008 PNII-Modul III Capacități „Retorica justiției sociale și percepțiile deliberative asupra statului de drept în Africa de Sud post-apartheid și România post-comunistă” (*Social justice rhetoric and deliberative perceptions on the rule of law in post-apartheid South Africa and post-communist Romania*) between Bebeș-Bolyai University and Cape Town University (Africa de Sud), with the approved amount 275.100 lei. Directors conf.univ.dr. C. Mihali and prof. dr. Ph. Salazar.
2. 2013-2017: Member in the project Starting Grants - European Research Council, "Thesis ERC, cod. 313339", IRHT-CNRS, Paris (director dr. Monica Brânzei).
3. 2019-2023: Member in the project Advanced Grants – European Research Council „Debate ERC IRHT-CNRS, Paris (director dr. Monica Brânzei).

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