

POETICS OF MINORITY V

Conference Series of the Department of Hungarian Language and Literature in Novi Sad

We are pleased to announce the upcoming conference titled *Poetics of Minority V*, part of the series launched in 2021 by the Department of Hungarian Studies in Novi Sad. Our hope is to continue and renew the rich, productive, and open dialogue that has emerged during previous conferences. As in earlier events, we include under the umbrella of “minor phenomena” not only works created in minority contexts, but also those that resist majority norms, give voice to socially or politically marginalized groups, or were produced in exile.

We invite presentations on the following topics:

1. **Issues in literary histories** that examine works created in Hungarian or in Hungarian-related minority contexts: defining theoretical frameworks, exploring minor linguistic experiences, cultural contexts, and cultural-political determinants. Literary output from “marginal centers” that rewrite the national paradigm.
2. **Works, memoirs, and autobiographical novels** that document World War I and the disintegration of the unified state structure of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy. Processes of self-organization and self-definition among communities that found themselves beyond new borders. The emergence and necessary rewriting of minority literary historical narratives.
3. **Intellectual heritage** characteristic of specific regions that simultaneously offers integration and disintegration for the individual: complex cultural identity, language shift, translation, and transculturality. Strategies through which minority status can be transformed into diversity and fertile polyphony.
4. **Literature of socially marginalized and disadvantaged groups.** Experiences of fluid gender identity. Poetics of isolation: works created in internal and external exile, poetry, prose, and literary reflections from years of silencing.
5. **Biopoetic perspectives:** the animal and plant realms as minorities.

The conference will take place on October 8–9, 2025.

Presentation length: 20 minutes.

Venue: Faculty of Philosophy, University of Novi Sad (2 Zoran Đinđić Street, Novi Sad).

Edited versions of the presentations will be published in one of next year's issues of *Hungarológiai Közlemények*, a journal of Department of Hungarian Studies listed in the ERIH Plus database.

To apply, please use the form attached. Presenters are kindly asked to return the completed application form by June 20, 2025, to one of the following email addresses:

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With thanks and warm regards, in hope of seeing you in Novi Sad, The conference organizers:

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