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**ANTHROPOLOGY AND HISTORICAL MEMORY**

**2021/2022 1st semester**

September 14

1.1 Anthropology of the human body in the ancient Near East and the Bible

(What is man? Man in nature; the origin of man; the operation of the human body; fertility / infertility; the fate of man).

September 21

1.2 Life stages, from birth to death and related forms of commemoration. Ancestor cult and genealogy, the memory of the ancestors.

September 28

2.1 Purity and impurity: systems of ritual purity in the ancient Near East (Old Testament)

October 5

2.2 Ritual purity in the life and tradition of the Qumran community and the New Testament

October 12

3.1-2 Man and the transcendent world. The operation of the cosmos and the systems for decoding celestial signals in the ancient Near East. The prophets - mediators of the transcendent world. Prophecy in the Ancient Near East and Israel. Prophecy, history, and politics

October 19

4.1 The earth we live on: Relationship between Earth, Man, and the Divine World in the Ancient Near East and the Bible: Receiving the Land: the Patriarchal Stories in the Bible.

November 9

4.2 The Earth We Live on: The Relationship between Earth, Man, and the Divine World in the Ancient Near East and the Bible: The Loss of the Land: exile and the formation of the diaspora. Theology and the creation of historical memory.

November 16

5.1-2 Legitimation of political power (rulers) – religio-literary forms of justifying the acquisition of dominion in the Ancient Near East and the Bible

November 23

5.2 Legitimation of the loss of power – religio-literary forms of justifying the loss of dominion in the ancient East, the Bible and Qumran

November 30

6.1 Social organization forms and their assessment: Tribal society, judges, nomadic ideal; the kingdom and its evaluation; theocracy

December 7

6.2 Social organization forms and their assessment: Empires and world history; the attitude to history in the genre of apocalypses

**Exam**: knowledge of the lecture material is mandatory (examples and historical background)**.** This is facilitated by reading the sources and monographies listed in Literature, Ancient Near East**.** In addition, knowledge of two freely chosen works of the Bibliography (Historical Anthropology) is required**.** Items marked with an X are also available in electronic form**.**

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MTAK (Magyar Tudományos Akadémia Könyvtára = Library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences) (mtak konyvtar catalogue)

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ELTE Egyetemi Könyvtár katalógusa

PPKE HTK katalógusa PPKE Hittudományi Kar (btk.ppke > könyvtár/library)

**LIBRARIES**:

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