Henrik Meinander

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2. Date and place of birth, nationality, current residence

19.05.1960 Helsinki, Finnish, Helsinki

3. Education and degrees awarded

Docent of Finnish and Scandinavian History (4.2.97) University of Helsinki	1997-2001
Docent of Nordic History (13.12.97) Åbo Akademi	1997
Doctor of Philosophy degree, University of Helsinki Main subject: Finnish and Scandinavian History	1994
Master of Letters degree University of Glasgow Main subject: Education	1991
Candidate in Philosophy (MA) degree University of Helsinki Main subject: Finnish and Scandinavian History Other subjects: Sociology, Art History	1987

4. Other education and training, qualifications and skills

National Defense Course (MPK 193), Staff Sergeant	2010, 2015
State Administration language certificate: Excellent knowledge in Finnish language	1997

5. Linguistic skills

Mother tongue: Swedish
Excellent skills: Finnish
Good skills: English
Basic skills: German

6. Current position

Professor of History, University of Helsinki	2001-

7. Positions of trust at the University of Helsinki

The Board of the University	
Member of the Board	2022-2025
Conferment Ceremony of the Faculty of Philosophy	
Conferrer	2022
The Research Foundation of the University	
Member of the Board	2014-2022
Nylands Nation Student Corporation	
Inspector of the Corporation	2010-2018
Vice-Dean, the Faculty of Arts	2010-13
Head of the History Department, the Faculty of Arts	2004-06

8. Previous appointments

Director of the Finnish Institute in Stockholm	2001-02
Acting Associate Professor of Pedagogy, University of Helsinki	1997-98
Curator of the Mannerheim Museum, Helsinki	1991-97
Assistant Lecturer of History, University of Helsinki	1990-97, 1998-99

9. Research leadership, funding and supervision

Research leadership and funding

Project leader, “Biography of statesman Kalevi Sorsa”, Funded by Tradeka säätiö, Palkansaajasäätiö, Työväen Opintorahasto, Kansan Sivistysrahasto, Kalevi Sorsa säätiö, Valtioneuvosto, Jenny ja Antti Wihurin rahasto, Föreningen Konstsamfundet ja Suomen Tiedeseura	2020-2022
Leader of the project “Minority, nation and the world: Swedish speaking and Jewish intellectuals in Finland and the international community (1880–1980)” Funded by Academy of Finland	2016–2020
Director of and project leader in the research program “Driving Forces of Democracy: Patterns of Democratization in Finland and Sweden, 1890-2020”, Funded by Jane & Aatos Erkko Foundation and Östersjöstiftelsen	2015-2017
Project leader of the Scholarship program for Finnish professionals at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington DC, Funded by four Finnish foundations	2013–2025
Research leader of the project “Emotions and the Cultural History of War in Finland, 1939-1951”, Funded by Academy of Finland	2011-2014
Senior researcher, Svenska kulturfonden	2008-10
Senior researcher, Academy of Finland	2007-08
Project researcher, Academy of Finland	2000
PhD-student at University of Helsinki, Ministry of Education	1990
PhD-student at University of Glasgow, Academy of Finland	1988-89

PhD-Supervision

Completed PhD supervisions (27):
Martin Pettersson (2026), Sami Koskelainen (2026), Sebastian Lindberg (2026), Lotta Nylund (2023), Aleksi Ahtola, Peter Davidsen (2022), Jens Grandell (2020), Julia Dahlberg (2018), Nathanaelle Minard, Richard Robertson, Sofia Gustafsson (2016), Matti Hannikainen, Suvi Talja, Kasper Kepsu (2014), Jani Marjanen (2013), Elisabeth Stubb, Annette Forsén (2012), Aapo Roselius (2011), Pertti Kavén (2010), Michael Jonas, Stefan Nygård (2009), Kristina Linnovaara, Ainur Elmgren, secondary supervisor, University of Lund (2008), Kristina Ranki, Henrika Tandefelt (2007), Peter Stadius (2006), Jessica Parland-von Essen (2005), Charlotta Wolf, Thomas Westerbom (2004), Minna Sarantola-Weiss (2003).

Ongoing PhD supervisions (5):
Johanna Rehn, Eliel Kilpelä, Frans-Anton Flander, Helena Pirttisaari-Sundström, Johannes Andersson

10. Merits in teaching and pedagogical competence

Professor of History, University Helsinki	2002-
Supervision of ca 140 MA-theses	1994-
Acting Associate Professor of Pedagogy, University of Helsinki	1997-1998
Assistant Lecturer of History, University Helsinki	1991-97, 1998-99
Acting Teacher of History, Upper Secondary School of Mattliden, Espoo	1986-87

11. Awards, prizes and honours

Karl Erik Tollanders pris, Svenska litteratursällskapet i Finland	2026
Ragnar, Ester, Rolf och Margareta Bergboms kulturhistoriska pris, Svenska litteratursällskapet i Finland	2025
The Helsinki Science Award	2024
P.E. Svinhufvudin muistosäätiön kirjallisuuspalkinto	2022
Birger Schöldströms pris, Svenska Akademien	2022
Theodor Homéns pris, Finska Vetenskaps-Societeten	2021
Vuoden tietokirja, Eduskunnan kirjasto	2020
Stora Fackbokspriset, Axel och Margaret Ax:son Johnsons stiftelse	2017
Stig Ramels pris, Kjell och Märta Beijers stiftelse	2017
Otavan tietokirjallisuuspalkinto	2017
Svenska Folkskolans Vänners Folkbildningspris	2016
Forna Normallyceisters Årets Nors-utmärkelse	2010
Kulturfondens för Sverige och Finland pris för vetenskaplig verksamhet	2008
Svenska Akademiens Finlandspris	2007
Oskar Öflunds stiftelsepris	2002

12. Decorations

Kommendör av Finlands Lejons Orden (FLO K)	2025
Kommendör av Kungl. Nordstjärneorden (K SvNO)	2017
Riddare av I klass av Finlands Vita Ros' Orden (FVR R I)	2014

13. Other academic merits

Evaluations

Pre-examiner of PhD theses:

Magnus Enlund (University of Jyväskylä)	2025
David Brolin (Åbo Akademi)	2024
Mikko Virta (University of Helsinki)	2022
Rickard Brander (University of Helsinki)	2019
Janne Väistö (Åbo Akademi)	2017
Harri Salimäki (University of Finland)	2000
Hilkka Laamanen (University of Finland)	1999
Jaroslav Suchoples (University of Finland)	1999

Opponent for PhD theses:

Mari Olafson Lundemo (European University Institute, Florence)	2020
Seija-Leena Nevala-Nurmi (University of Tampere)	2012
Johanna Bonäs (Åbo Akademi)	2012
Johanna Wassholm (Åbo Akademi)	2008
Mikko Majander (University of Helsinki)	2004
Lars Ilshammar (University of Örebro)	2002
Jan Ahtola Nielsen (University of Aarhus, co-opponent)	2002
Jukka Rantala, (University of Helsinki)	1997

Evaluator for Dozentship:

Joni Krekola (University of Helsinki)	2014
Mikko Majander (University of Helsinki)	2008
Martti Turtola (National Defence University, Helsinki)	2007
Marko Tikka (University of Tampere)	2007

Evaluator of promotion applications for Professorships:

Helena Tolvhed (University of Stockholm)	2025
Markku Jokisipilä (University of Turku)	2023
Johan Östling (University of Lund)	2022
Hans Bonde (University of Copenhagen)	2011
Åke Sandström (Högskolan på Gotland)	2011

Evaluator of applicants for Professorships:

Contemporary History, University of Turku	2015

Membership in evaluation groups

Member of the evaluation group assessing the Humanities, Languages and Cultures and Theology PhD study programme groups of the University of Tartu and Tallinn University	2017
Member of the evaluation group (history and philosophy) in the research assessment exercise at University of Tampere	2014
Member of an evaluation group of teaching in History of ideas at Swedish universities, Högskoleverket	2013
Member of the international leading group of the research program “Nordic spaces after 1800”, The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation	2007-2012
Member of the scientific sport committee, Finnish Ministry of Education	2007-2011

Member of expert group evaluating applications in accordance

with the Law of Religious Freedom (23 §),
Finnish Ministry of Education 2007-2010
Member of an international peer evaluation committee for research program applications,
The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation 2007-2008
Member of an international expert group that evaluated teaching and research in History at Estonian universities, Estonian Higher Education Accreditation Centre 2006
Member of the steering group for the research project Prisoner of-war deaths, extraditions and deportations from Finland 1939-1955 2004-2008
Member of an evaluation group of teaching in History of ideas at Swedish universities, Högskoleverket 2004-05

Membership in editorial boards

The History of Science in Independent Finland
Editors Jari Ojala, Henrik Meinander, Heini Hakosalo 2022–
Zacharias Topelius samlade skrifter: En historisk-kritisk utgåva
Chairman of the Editorial Board 2015-2022
European Studies in Sports History
Member of Scientific Committee 2012-2017
Nordeuropaforum
Member of Wissenschaftlichen Beirat 2005-2013
Biografiskt Lexikon för Finland
Chairman of the Editorial Board 2002-2011
The International Journal of the History of Sport:
Regional Editor 1994-1997
Member of the International Editorial Board 1997-2010
Historisk Tidskrift för Finland:
Member of the Editorial Board 1991-
Editorial Secretary 1992-1996
Chairman of Editorial Board 2000-2005

Elected membership in scientific societies

Kungliga Skytteanska Samfundet 2021
Correspondent Fellow
The Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities 2020
Foreign Member
The Finnish Society of Sciences and Letters
Fellow Member 2003
The Royal Swedish Academy of Science
Foreign Member 2002
Finnish Historical Society
Research Fellow Member 1998

14. Positions of trust in society

Sigrid Juselius Foundation	
Member of the Board	2021-2024
Mannerheim Museum, Helsinki	
Member of the Museum Board	2010-
Federation of Finnish Learned Societies	
Member of the Board	2009-2011, 2012-15
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
Member of the History Board	2008-
The Swedish Cultural Foundation in Finland	
Member of the Board	2008-2013, 2025-
Hanasaari, The Swedish-Finnish Cultural Centre	
Member of the Board	2007-2012
Finnish Historical Society, Helsinki	
Member of the Board	2006-2011
The Committee for Scientific Translations, FILI	
Chairman of the Committee	2006-2009
Ella and Georg Ehrnrooth Foundation	
Chairman of the Foundation	2019-
Member of the Board	2002-
The Swedish Society of Literature in Finland	
Chairman of the Society	2017-2023
Vice-Chairman of the Society	2015-2017
Member of the History Section	1999-2017
Chairman of the History Section	2006-2014
Scientific Secretrary of the Scientific Board	1999-2000
Member of the Scientific Board	1998-2023
Signe and Ane Gyllenberg Foundation	
Member of the Museum Committee	1996-2016
Chairman of the Museum Committee	2005-2016
Member of the Board	2005-2016
Historical Society /Historiska Föreningen, Helsingfors	
Member of the Board	1986-1992
Secreterary	1991-1992