



HÜSING, GEORG

HÜSING, GEORG, versatile German scholar who among other fields (e.g., German studies, mythology) specialized in Old Iranian and Elamite studies (b. 4 June 1869 in Liegnitz, Silesia; d. 1 September 1930 in Vienna). He studied Oriental languages and ancient history in Breslau, Berlin, and Königsberg, where he took his Ph.D. in 1897 with a dissertation entitled *Die iranischen Eigennamen in den Achämenideninschriften* (Norden, 1897). From 1912 on, he lectured on history of the ancient Near East at the University of Vienna—from 1921 as an associate professor (*extraordinarius*).

Hüsing was particularly engaged in the study of the history and culture, geography and ethnography, religion and mythology of ancient Iran; and he tried to reach and influence a broader public beyond the classroom. As a linguist whose studies of various ancient and modern Indo-European, Semitic, and other languages had qualified him for large-scale research, he chiefly endeavored to make the Elamite language accessible and understandable. He edited and interpreted Elamite inscriptions, and in a number of minor articles he dealt with the vocabulary and with onomastics. On the whole, Hüsing's publications have long since become outdated; they are consulted today mainly for the history of Iranian studies.

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