Miklós Csörgő was born on March 12, 1932 in Egerfarmos. His parents' names are Miklós and Ilona (Veres). He married on August 10, 1957 (in Canada) to Anna Eszter (Tóth), and his children are Adria and Lilla.

After 5 years of primary school in Egerfarmos, he completed his secondary school studies in Mezőkövesd, at Szent László Grammar School, where he graduated in 1951. He continued his studies at the Karl Marx University of Economics in Budapest, where he graduated from the statistics department in 1955 and became an assistant professor at the Department of Statistics.

He left Hungary in December 1956. He arrived in Canada on January 16, 1957, where he began studying mathematics at McGill University in Montreal in September 1957 and was within a year a graduate student. He received his Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in mathematics from McGill University in 1961 and his doctorate in mathematics (Ph.D.) in 1963 as an NRC Canada Graduate Student Scholar. He continued his studies as a Postdoctoral Fellow and lecturer at Princeton University (1963-1965).

After two years at Princeton, he was appointed assistant professor at McGill University and associate professor in 1968. In 1972, he was appointed professor of mathematics and statistics at Carleton University in Ottawa, where he was a founding member (1982) and co-director of the Statistics and Probability Research Laboratory, which is now recognized as a world-renowned institute in these fields of research.

In 1969-1970, Miklós Csörgő was a visiting professor at the Mathematics Institute, University of Vienna, and in 1990-91 at the University of Utah. While in Vienna, he developed contacts with Hungarian mathematicians, first with Pál Révész at the Institute of Mathematical Research and then with others in the same place, with whom he has been working in close cooperation ever since, and later also with mathematicians from Szeged.

Miklós Csörgő's work has, to date, been published in 156 scientific papers, including in many of the best international journals. He has also published five books. He was Associate Editor (1979-1981) of the Annals of Probability, a premier international journal, and for two years (1978-1980) was a Killam Senior Research Fellow, which is Canada's highest national designation for basic research in the natural sciences. He was twice a Canada Council Fellow (1969-1970, 1976-1977).

Miklós Csörgő's books are: *Strong Approximations in Probability and Statistics* (with Pál Révész, Akademiai Kiadó - Academic Press, 1981); *Quantile Processes with Statistical Applications* (SIAM 1983), which was as a result of his role as Principal Lecturer at the National Science Foundation – Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences Regional Conference on Quantile Processes (Texas A.M. University, 1981); *An Asymptotic Theory of Empirical Reliability and Concentration Processes* (with Sándor Csörgő and Lajos Horváth, Springer-Verlag, 1986); *Weighted Approximations in Probability and Statistics* (with Lajos Horváth, Wiley, 1993); and *Limit Theorems in Change-point Analysis* (with Lajos Horváth, Wiley, December 1997).

The international recognition of Miklós Csörgő's work is shown by the fact that in 1975 he was elected a member of the International Statistical Institute, in 1978 an Institute of Mathematical Statistics Fellow, in 1989 a member of the Canadian Academy of Sciences, and in 1995 an

external member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. In 1996, Miklós Csörgő was awarded the Gold Medal of the Statistical Society of Canada.