

***Curriculum Vitae* of Robin Smith**

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Education

B. A., 1968, University of Chattanooga: *summa cum laude*, Highest Honors in Philosophy

Ph.D., 1974 (Philosophy), Claremont Graduate School. Dissertation title: "Plato's Dialectic from the Standpoint of Aristotle's First Logic"

Areas of Specialization

Ancient Philosophy; History of Logic; Philosophy of Logic

Areas of Competence

Logic; Philosophy of Language; Modern Philosophy; Medieval Philosophy.

Language Abilities

Scholarly competence in Latin (some manuscript ability), Ancient Greek (some manuscript ability).

Good reading, writing, and speaking knowledge of French, German.

Fair reading and limited speaking ability in Italian, Russian, Spanish.

Limited knowledge of Classical Arabic, Dutch, Modern Greek, Finnish.

Computer Languages: C, Perl, Lisp, Emacs-Lisp

Positions

1971-72 Lecturer In Philosophy, Riverside (California) City College.

1973 Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Loyola Marymount University

1973-74 Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Occidental College

1974-94 Kansas State University (Assistant Professor of Philosophy, 1974-80; Associate Professor,

1980-86; Professor, 1986-1994; Department Head, 1987-92)

1994– Professor of Philosophy, Texas A&M University (Department Head, 1994-2007); Professor of Philosophy Emeritus, 2012–

Publications and Presentations

Books:

1. *Aristotle's Prior Analytics* (translation with Introduction, notes, and commentary). Hackett Publishing Company, 1989. Revised version of translation in *Aristotle Complete Works*, Hackett Publishing Company (forthcoming 2025).
2. *Aristotle, Topics I, VIII, and Selections*. (Clarendon Aristotle Series). Oxford University Press, 1997.
3. *Aristotle, On Sophistical Refutations* (Clarendon Aristotle Series). Oxford University Press (forthcoming April 2026).

Articles, Book Chapters, etc.:

1. "Mass Terms, Generic Expressions, and Plato's Theory of Forms". *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **16** (1978): 141-153.
2. "The Mathematical Origins of Aristotle's Syllogistic". *Archive for History of Exact Sciences* **19** (1978): 201-210.
3. "Some Studies of Logical Transformations in the *Prior Analytics*". *History and Philosophy of Logic* **2** (1978): 1-9.
4. "The Syllogism in *Posterior Analytics* I". *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* **64** (1982): 113-135.
5. "What Is Aristotelian Ecthesis?" *History and Philosophy of Logic* **3** (1982): 113-127.
6. "Logical Truth in Plato". *University of Dayton Review* 1982: 149-156.
7. "The Relationship of Aristotle's Two *Analytics*." *Classical Quarterly* **32** (1983): 327-335.
8. "Completeness of an Ecthetic Syllogistic". *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* **24** (1983): 224-232.
9. "Greek Mathematics and Aristotle's Logical Methodology". *Southwest Philosophical Studies* **8** (1982): 49-59.
10. "Aristotle as Proof Theorist". *Philosophia Naturalis* **21** (1984): 590- 597.
11. "New Light on Aristotle's Modal Concepts" (critical study). *Ancient Philosophy* **5** (1985): 67-76.
12. "Immediate Propositions and Aristotle's Proof Theory". *Ancient Philosophy* **6** (1986): 47-68.
13. "Moral and Scientific Education in Aristotle." Proceedings of Colloquium on Aristotle's Ethics and Metaphysics. University of Dayton, 1989.
14. "Predication and Demonstration in Aristotle." *Topoi* **10** (1991): 43- 52.
15. "Filling In Nature's Deficiencies." 295-314 in J. Anton and A. Preus, eds., *Essays in Ancient Greek Philosophy V: Aristotle's Ontology* (SUNY Press, 1992).
16. "Aristotle on the Uses of Dialectic." *Synthese* **96** (1993): 335-358.
17. "Dialectic and the Syllogism." *Ancient Philosophy* **14** (1994: special issue): 133-151.
18. "What Use Is Aristotle's Organon?" *Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy* **9** (1993): 261-285.

19. Chapter 2, "Logic," in Jonathan Barnes, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Aristotle*. Cambridge University Press, 1995.
20. "Aristotle's Regress Argument." 21-32 in I. Angelelli and M. Cerezo, *Studies on the History of Logic* (de Gruyter, 1996)
21. "Dialectic and Method in Aristotle." 39-56 in May Sim, ed., *From Puzzles to Principles? Essays on Aristotle's Dialectic* (Lexington Books, 1999).
22. "Aristotle: Logic." *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Fall 2000 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/fall1999/entries/aristotle-logic/> .
23. "Ancient Philosophical Logic," 11-23 in Dale Jacquette, ed., *The Blackwell Companion to Philosophical Logic* (Blackwell, 2002).
24. "'None of the Arts that Gives Proofs about Some Nature is Interrogative': Questions and Aristotle's Concept of Science". in Matti Sintonen, ed., *The Socratic Tradition: Questioning as Philosophy and as Method* (Wiley, 2009).
25. "Aristotle's Account of Demonstrative Knowledge (*Episteme*)." Chapter 4 in *A Companion to Aristotle*, ed. Georgios Anagnostopoulos (Blackwell, 2009).
26. "Logic." In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome* (Oxford University Press, 2010).
27. "Grote on Aristotle's Logic". Chapter 12 in *Brill's Companion to George Grote and the Classical Tradition*, ed. Kyriakos N. Demetriou (Brill, 2014).
28. "Why Does Aristotle Need a Modal Syllogistic?" Chapter 3 (pp. 40-69) in *Logical Modalities from Aristotle to Carnap*, ed. M. J. Cresswell and A. Rini (Cambridge University Press, 2016).
29. "Ancient Greek Modal Logic." Chapter 15 in Otávio Bueno and Scott Shalkowski, eds., *The Routledge Handbook of Modality* (Routledge, 2021).

Book Reviews:

- Klaus Döring, *Die Megariker: kommentierte Sammlung der Testimonien*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **12** (1974): 521-522.
- Richard Bosley, *Aspects of Aristotle's Logic*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **14** (1976): 361-362.
- Kurt von Fritz, *Schriften zur griechischen Logik II*. *Archives internationales d'histoire des sciences* **30** (1980): 211-212.
- Michael Clark, *The Place of Syllogistic in Logical Theory*. *History and Philosophy of Logic* **3** (1982): 222-224.
- G. E. M. Anscombe, *From Parmenides to Wittgenstein*. *History and Philosophy of Logic* **4** (1983): 107-109.
- H. G. Apostle, *Aristotle's Posterior Analytics*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **21** (1983): 395-396.
- Ian Mueller, *Philosophy of Mathematics and Deductive Structure in Euclid's Elements*. *Archives internationales d'histoire des sciences* **33** (1983): 363-365.
- A. Menne and N. Offenberger, *Zur modernen Deutung der aristotelischen Logik*. *History and Philosophy of Logic* **5** (1984): 233-234.
- Paulus Venetus, *Logica Parva* (trans. with notes by Alan R. Perreiah). *The Modern Schoolman* **64** (1987): 228-231.
- Gareth Evans, *The Varieties of Reference*. *The Modern Schoolman* **63** (1986): 222-224.
- James Bogen and James E. McGuire, eds., *How Things Are*. *Ancient Philosophy* **7** (1987): 248-250.
- David Londey and Carmen Johanson, *The Logic of Apuleius*. *Ancient Philosophy* **11** (1991): 193-198.
- Roy Sorensen, *Blindspots*. *The Modern Schoolman* **70** (1992): 73- 75.
- Michael Ferejohn, *The Origins of Aristotelian Science*. *Canadian Philosophical Reviews* **13** (1993): 18-21.

Richard McKirahan, *Principles and Proofs*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **32** (1994): 294-296.

Jacques Brunschwig, ed., trans. & comm. *Aristote, Topiques, livres V-VIII*. *Classical Review* **60**:1 (2010).

Luca Castaglion and Paolo Fait, eds. *The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Logic*. *Journal of the History of Philosophy* **63** (2025): 309-311.

Summaries in *Mathematical Reviews*:

Artmann, Benno. “Über voreuklidische ‘Elemente der Raumgeometrie’ aus der Schule des Eudoxos” [On a pre-Euclidean “Elements of Solid Geometry” from the school of Eudoxus]. 90j:01007

Barker, Evelyn M. “Unneeded Surgery on Aristotle’s Prior Analytics.” 86h:01009

Bezhanishvili, M. N. “Teoretiko-Model’naya Interpretatsiya Apodikticheskoi Sillogistiki Aristotelya.” [A Model-Theoretic Interpretation of Aristotle’s Apodeictic Syllogistic.] 86j:03011

Campus, Cinzia, and Mauro Marini. “Il principio di pienezza in Met. Theta, 4 e De Caelo A, 12.” [The principle of plenitude in Met. Theta 4 and De Caelo A 12]. 89h:03007

Husain, Martha. “‘If . . . then’ and Aristotle’s Syllogism.” 85j:03010

Komarova, V. Ya. *Uchenie Zenona Eleiskogo: Popytka Rekonstruktsii Sistemy Argumentov* [The Doctrines of Zeno of Elea: An Attempt at the Reconstruction of a System of Arguments.] 91a:01005

Krischer, Tilman. “Mathematische Unendlichkeit und Induktion bei Platon und Aristoteles.” [Mathematical infinity and induction in Plato and Aristotle] 89h:01006

Kwiatkowski, Tadeusz. “Jan Lukaszewicz—a Historian of Logic.” 85b:01031

Loseva, I. N. “Nikolai Kopernik i ego Otnoshennye s Epistemologiyu.” [Nicolai Copernicus and His Relationship to Epistemology.] 90d:01013

Madarász-Zsigmond, Anna. “Der Weg zur deduktiven Logik des Aristoteles.” 85j:01005b

Paiov, M. E. “O Dvukh Antichnikh Istoriko-Matematicheskikh Problemakh.” [On Two Ancient Historico-Mathematical Problems.] 87h:01005

Peterson, Philip L. “Higher Quantity Syllogisms.” 87b:03055

Rozhanskii, I. D. “Drevnegrecheskaya Nauka.” [Ancient Greek Science.] 85e:01008

Schenk, Günter. “Zur Logik im Mittelalter.” [On Logic in the Middle Ages.] 89m:01024

Shirokov, V. S. “Srednevekovye Matematicheskie Idei s Tochki Zreniya Sovremennoi Matematikii.” [Medieval Mathematical Ideas from the Point of View of Contemporary Mathematics.] 89d:01016

Stahl, Gerold. “La justification aristotélicienne de Barbara ACP.” 87k:03008

Vizgin, V. P. “Problema mnozhestvennosti mirov v uchenie Anaxagora.” [The Problem of the Plurality of Worlds in Anaxagoras’ Doctrines.]

Other Publications:

Textbook, *Elementary Formal Logic* (co-author G. N. Georgacarakos). McGraw-Hill, 1979.

Significant Presentations (* = invited):

"The Mathematical Origins of Aristotle's Syllogistic". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Western Division, Chicago, April 1977.

"Some Studies of Logical Transformations in the *Prior Analytics*". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Western Division, Detroit, April 1980.

"The Indemonstrability of Principles in Aristotelian Sciences". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Philadelphia, December 1981.

*"Dialectic, the 'Common Principles', and Logical Truth". University of Texas at Austin, February 1982.

"Logic and Logical Truth in Aristotle". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Columbus, April 1982.

"Proof Theory and Aristotle's *Analytics*". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Chicago, April 1983.

"Aristotle as Proof Theorist". Seventh International Congress for Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science, Salzburg, July 1983.

*"The Epistemic Status of First Principles in the *Posterior Analytics*". Emory University, January 1984.

*"Aristotelian Necessities". Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, New York, October 1984.

"Complex Properties and Complex Propositions: Aristotle's Answer to the Determinist". Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 1985.

*"On The History of the Concept of Self-Evidence". University of Kansas, September 1985; University of Nebraska (Lincoln), October 1985; Oklahoma State University, October 1985; University of Missouri, St. Louis, February 1986.

"The Condition of NOUS". Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, New York, October 1985.

*"Propositional Knowledge, Acquaintance, and Nous in the *Posterior Analytics*". University of Missouri (Columbia), February 1986.

"Recognition and Reference in Plato, Aristotle, and Evans." Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Boston, December 1986.

*"Aristotle on Becoming Good and Becoming Wise." University of Oklahoma, October 1987, and American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Cincinnati, May 1988.

"Moral and Scientific Education in Aristotle." University of Dayton Colloquium on Aristotle's Ethics and Metaphysics, November 1987.

"The Educative Function of Metaphysics Gamma." Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, New York, December 1987.

*"Filling up Nature's Deficiencies: Human Nature and Socialization in Aristotle's Concept of Education." Wesleyan University, October 1988, and Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy, New York, October 1988.

"Aristotle's Rout." Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, May 1989.

*"Moral Virtue, Scientific Wisdom, and Proof Theory in Aristotle." Los Angeles Area Colloquium on Ancient Philosophy (Claremont Graduate School), May 6, 1989.

*"Predication and Demonstration in Aristotle." Conference on "Concepts and Changes in the Concept of Predication," University of California Humanities Research Institute, August 21- 26, 1989.

*"The Nature and Uses of Dialectic, Great and Small." Conference on "Logic and Metaphysics in Aristotle and Early Modern Philosophy," Duke University, March 1991.

"Dialectic and the Syllogism." Conference on "Logic, Dialectic, and Science in Aristotle," Kansas State University, May 1991.

*"Meno's Puzzle in the *Posterior Analytics*." Australian Seminar for Ancient Philosophy, Melbourne, July 13-15, 1991.

*“Self-Evidence and Epistemic Compulsion.” University of Queensland, July 17, 1991, and Australian National University, July 19, 1991.

“Aristotle on the Uses of Dialectic.” Colloquium, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, New York, December 1991.

*“Foundationalism, Coherentism, and Aristotle.” Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (at APA Eastern meeting), December 1992.

*“Aristotelian Self-Evidence and Aristotelian Epistemology.” Boston Colloquium for the Philosophy of Science (Boston University), April 6, 1993.

*“What Use Is Aristotle’s *Organon*?” Boston Area Colloquium for Ancient Philosophy (Harvard University), April 8, 1993.

*“Aristotle’s Regress Argument.” III ‘Simposio de la historia de la logica’ (organized by I. Angelelli), University of Navarra (Spain), May 5, 1993.

*“The Tempter That Brought About Aristotle’s Fall.” Princeton University Classical Philosophy Colloquium, December 4, 1993.

*“Internalism, Externalism, and the *Posterior Analytics*.” University of Southern California, December 17-18, 1993.

Comments on Alan Code, “The Development of Aristotle’s *Metaphysics*.” American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Atlanta, December 1993.

*“Dialectic and Philosophy in Aristotle.” (Invited paper.) American Philosophical Association, Central Division, Chicago, April 1996.

“Aristotle’s Theory of Demonstration and Greek Mathematics”. 2001 Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Florida State University, April 2001.

*“‘None of the Arts that Gives Proofs about Some Nature is Interrogative’: Questions and Aristotle’s Concept of Science”. Institut internationale de philosophie, Helsinki, August 2001.

*“Error in the *Posterior Analytics*”. Conference in honor of Ian Mueller, University of Chicago/Northwestern University/University of Illinois, Chicago, April 18-21, 2002

*“Historical Performance Practice in Philosophy”. Keynote address, Philosophy Conference at the University of Texas, San Antonio, November 1-2 2002.

Comments on Hugh Benson, “Title”. Ancient Philosophy Workshop, Texas Christian University, April 1-3, 2004.

*“Analysis in Aristotle.” Rice University, Feb. 16, 2006.

*“Il sistema logico degli *Analitici Primi* come sistema metalogico,” “The Purposes of Aristotle’s Syllogistic,” “Aristotle’s Method of Analysis.” Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, March 13-16, 2006.

*“The Analytics and Aristotle’s Scientific Method.” Conference on Aristotelian Natural Philosophy, Rice University, March 23-25, 2007

*“Some Historical Remarks.” (John Dewey Memorial Lecture). American Philosophical Association, Central Division, February 2021.

Other Professional Activities

Member of American Philosophical Association.

President, Kansas State University Chapter, AAUP, 1982-83; President, Kansas Conference, AAUP, 1984-85; Secretary, KSU Chapter, AAUP, 1991-94.

APA Central Division Program Committee for 1988 Program.

APA Central Division Program Committee for 1994 Program.

Secretary/Treasurer, APA Central Division, 1996–2016.

Panelist, Review Panel for Summer Stipend Proposals, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1998-1999, 2005,2006

Reviewer for Swiss National Science Foundation, 2024 and 2025

Referee for *Ancient Philosophy*, *Apeiron*, *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic*, *Mnemosyne*, *Phronesis*, *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*,

Grants and Awards

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Designate, 1968.

NDEA Title IV Fellowship, 1969-72.

Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship, 1972-73.

NEH Summer Stipend, 1978 (\$2500).

NEH Fellowship for Independent Study and Research, 1978-79 (\$15,360).

Travel Grant, National Academy of Sciences, July 1983 (\$600).

NEH Fellowship for Independent Study and Research, 1984-85 (\$12,560).

NEH Summer Stipend, 1985 (\$3000).

Mid-American State Universities Association Honor Lecturer, 1985-86.

Franklin J. Matchette Foundation Conference Grant, 1991 (\$2500).

NEH Fellowship for College Teachers, 1992-93 (\$29,345).

NEH Library Challenge Grant, 1992 (\$1,000,000 face amount; \$250,000 external funds). (One of two principal authors of the proposal.)

Administrative and Committee Experience

At Kansas State University:

Head, Department of Philosophy, Kansas State University, 1986–1990

Search Committee, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, 1990

Dean's Advisory Committee, 1992–1994

At Texas A&M University:

Head, Department of Philosophy, Texas A&M University, 1994–2008

Fulbright Review Committee, 1994–95

Ad Hoc Committee on Fine and Performing Arts, 1995–96

Provost's Telecommunications and Informatics Task Force, 1999–2003

College of Liberal Arts Ad Hoc Research Review Committee, 2000–2001

Research Enhancement Committee (Office of the Vice President for Research), 2001–2008

Chair, Search Committee for Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts, 2001

College of Liberal Arts Information Technology Review Committee, 2003

College of Liberal Arts Planning and Resources Committee, 2004–2008

Search Committee for Dean, College of Liberal Arts, 2009

Texas A&M University Faculty Senate member, 2006–2012