

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

University of Oxford: Doctoral studies in Philosophy,
1977-82

Dissertation title: *The Individuation of Substances in Aristotle*
Supervisors: John Ackrill, Prof. Sir Peter Strawson

Brandeis University (USA): Postgraduate studies in Philosophy, 1974-77

Duke University (USA): Undergraduate in Mathematics and Philosophy, 1968-72

Athens College (Greece): Secondary Education; 1958-1968.

Degrees:

University of Oxford: DPhil in Philosophy, 1983

Brandeis University (USA): MA in Philosophy, *With Distinction*, 1977

Duke University (USA): BS in Mathematics and Philosophy, *Magna cum Laude*, 1972

Career Appointments:

- New College, University of Oxford: Philosophy Lecturer, 1980-84.
- Edinburgh University, Philosophy Department: Professor, 1984-present.
- Harvard University, Center for Hellenic Studies, Research Fellowship, 1987-1988.
- Princeton University, Research Fellowship, Autumn 1989.
- Sydney University, Research Fellow, Spring 1993.
- University of Cyprus: Visiting Professor, Spring 2004.

[Greek National Service: Computer Analysis Department; 1972-74]

Academic Research Distinctions:

- (a) Harvard University, *Research Fellowship*, Center for Hellenic Studies, 1987-88.
- (b) Princeton University, *Seeger Research Fellowship* in the Philosophy and Hellenic Studies, Autumn Semester, 1989.
- (c) University of Sydney, *Research Fellow*, February-May, 1991.

International Academic Distinctions:

- In 1997, I received the **Henry Ford European Conservation National Award** for the innovative preservation and dissemination of the European philosophical heritage through Project Archelogos; Prize: \$5000.
- In 1998 I received the **Möbius Foundation Recognition of Excellence** for the pioneering *artificial intelligence* methods in the presentation of *abstract ideas* through *computer technology*.

Research Projects:

Emotive Brainstorming (2012-15)

I am the Principal Investigator of a research consortium which is funded by the European Union, ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) (3.3 million Euro).

The project is introducing and exploring new non-linear (lateral) reasoning processes, as fundamental heuristic devices in problem solving. The initiative is based on recent results in neuroscience and in cognitive science, which have marked a breakthrough in our understanding of the roots of thinking and its relation to emotion and representation. It will involve the implementation of Diagrammatic Reasoning and Emotive Reasoning in building solution-possibilities based on abstract structural or affective features of problem cases. The project will build new models of lateral thinking, aiming at their implementation in learning processes.

Archelogos Projects (1991-present)

I am the Director of the Archelogos Projects, which I initiated with the collaboration of distinguished classical philosophers internationally. The Projects facilitate new ways of studying and researching philosophy. The first application involves the analysis of the works of Plato and Aristotle into their arguments by specialist experts in the field. The Argument Analyses are published electronically by Project Archelogos, at: www.archelogos.com.

Further Archelogos projects have centred on the intelligent organisation, search, and presentation of philosophical arguments in a digital environment, combining artificial intelligence techniques with innovative argumentation methods developed by the Archelogos Team.

The Archelogos Projects have been funded by the Carnegie Trust, the Leverhulme Trust, the Directorate of Education of the European Community, the Leventis Foundation, the Kostopoulos Foundation, the Michelis Foundation, and the Greek Ministry of Education.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- (1) 2007: *The Philosophy of Epictetus*, co-edited with A. Mason, Oxford University Press.
- (2) 2002: *Zeno of Citium*, co-edited with A. Mason, published by the Ministry of Education, Larnaca – ancient Citium – Cyprus.
- (3) 1998: *Argument Analysis of Aristotle's On Generation and Corruption*, published by Project Archelogos at: www.archelogos.com.
- (4) 1994: *Substances and Universals in Aristotle's Metaphysics*, Cornell University Press; Ithaca and London. Greek Translation forthcoming.
- (5) 1994: *Unity, Identity and Explanation in Aristotle*, Oxford University Press.
- (6) 1993: *The Golden Age of Virtue: Aristotle's Ethics*, Alexandria Press, Athens.