

CURRICULUM VITAE
RICHARD McKIRAHAN



Studies

A.B. in Mathematics and Classics, University of California at Berkeley

B.A. and M.A. in Classics at Oxford University

Ph.D. in Classical Philosophy at Harvard University

Other study at Yale University, Cambridge University and the American School of
Classical Studies at Athens

Career

Harvard University: Teaching Fellow and Tutor

Pomona College: Assistant through Full Professor at Pomona College (1973 - present),
currently Edwin Clarence Norton Professor of Classics and Professor of
Philosophy, Chair of Classics Department

Visiting Professor at University of California at Berkeley, Harvey Mudd College,
University of Glasgow, Claremont Graduate University

Founding board member of the International Association for Presocratic Studies

Member of the editorial boards of *APEIRON*, *A Journal for Ancient Philosophy and
Science*; *ἰσοπολιτεία*, (*a review of philosophy of law, political philosophy and
ethics*); Parmenides Press; *Traditio Praesocratica* and *Studia Praesocratica*,
series published by De Gruyter Verlag.

Member of the Managing Committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens

Research

Author of 10 books and many articles on ancient philosophy and science, from the Presocratic philosophers through Late Antiquity. Many of my publications have to do with Aristotle and with the Presocratic philosophers. The following are representative.

Principles and Proofs: Aristotle's Theory of Demonstrative Science, Princeton, 1992.

Philosophy Before Socrates, 2nd edn. Hackett, 2011, xviii & 496 pp. (first edn.1994).

Simplicius, *Commentary on Aristotle's Physics*, book 8, chapters 6-10, Routledge and Cornell, 2001.

Philoponus, *Commentary on Aristotle's Posterior Analytics*, book 1, chapters 1-8, Routledge and Cornell, 2008.

"Aristotle on the Pythagoreans: His Sources and his Accounts of Pythagorean Principles," forthcoming in the proceedings of the Symposium Quintum Philosophiae Antiquae, July 17-28, 2005.

"Signs and Arguments in Parmenides B8," p.189-229 in *The Oxford Handbook of Early Greek Philosophy*, ed. P. Curd and D. Graham, Oxford University Press, 2009.

"Αρχαίες Προσεγγίσεις για την Αξιωματική Μέθοδο," *Νεῦσις* 17 (2009), 26-45.

"Philoponus Account of Scientific Principles in his Commentary on Aristotle's *Posterior Analytics*," *Documenti e Studi sulla tradizione filosofica medievale* (Pisa: Scuola Normale Superiore) 20 (2009) 211-263.

"The place of the *Posterior Analytics* in Aristotle's thought, with particular reference to the *Poetics*," p.75-104 in *From Inquiry to Demonstrative Knowledge: New Essays on Aristotle's Posterior Analytics* (J.H. Lesher, ed.) (= *Apeiron* 43 [2010]).

"Philolaus on Number," *Proceedings of the Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy* 27 (2011) 211-232.

Distinctions

Marshall Scholarship for studies in Oxford University, 1966-1969.

National Endowment for the Humanities - Scholarships 1975, 1985, 1990, 1999, 2003.

Overseas Visiting Scholar at St. John's College, Cambridge, 1999.

Fulbright Senior Lecturing and Research Award (Greece), 1999.

Philosophy Book of the Year award of Fore Words in 1999 for the book, *The Fragments of Parmenides* by A.H. Coxon, 2nd edition 1999 (edited by R. McKirahan).