

CURRICULUM VITAE

HELEN KING

Education and positions held

Current posts: 2011- Professor of Classical Studies, The Open University

2008- Honorary Visiting Professor, Peninsula Medical School

Prize

2011 Barbara McManus Prize of the Women's Classical Caucus for 'Galen and the widow'

Visiting Professorships and funded leave

Summer semester 2014: Käthe Leichter Visiting Professor in Gender and Women's Studies, University of Vienna

October 2008: delivered the Crake Lectures, Mount Allison University, Sackville NB, Canada

April 2005 Visiting Professor, Dept of Classics, University of Texas, Austin (4 meetings of graduate class in ancient medicine and 1 seminar)

Sept-Dec 2005 AHRC Research Leave Award

March 2002 Landsdowne Visiting Lecturer, University of Victoria, British Columbia (3 lectures and 1 seminar)

Feb-June 2001 Fellow, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Studies

Jan-June 1995 British Academy Research Leave Award

Previous posts

2004-11 Professor of the History of Classical Medicine, Department of Classics, University of Reading

1996-2004 Reader in the History of Classical Medicine, Reading, Department of Classics (formerly in departments of Classics and History); initially funded by five-year Wellcome Trust University Award

1993-96 Honorary Research Fellow, University of Liverpool

1988-96 Lecturer in History, Liverpool Institute of Higher Education

1986-88 Sir James Knott Research Fellow, University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne

1983-86 Henry Sidgwick Junior Research Fellow, Newnham College, Cambridge

Postgraduate (University College London, 1980-1983)

1985 PhD (History) awarded: 'From parthenos to gynê: the dynamics of category'

April 1983, July 1986 Fondation Hardt, Geneva

Jan-April 1981 Centre de recherches comparées sur les sociétés anciennes, Paris

Undergraduate (University College London, 1977-1980)

1980 B.A. (Hons) Ancient History/Social Anthropology (First Class)

1979 M.G. Smith Prize (History)

1978 Kaberry Prize (Anthropology), Dolley Prize (History)

Publications

Books

The One-Sex Body on Trial: The Classical and Early Modern Evidence, Aldershot: Ashgate, October 2013 (273 pp.)

Co-edited with Manfred Horstmanshoff and Claus Zittel, *Blood, Sweat and Tears: The Changing Concepts of Physiology from Antiquity into Early Modern Europe*, *Intersections* 25. Sole author of the Introduction. Leiden, Brill, 2012 (772 pp.)

Co-written with Véronique Dasen, *La médecine dans l'Antiquité grecque et romaine*, Lausanne: Editions BHMS, 2008 (126 pp.)

Midwifery, Obstetrics and the Rise of Gynaecology: Users of a Sixteenth-Century Compendium, Ashgate, 2007 (232 pp.)

Health in Antiquity, edited volume including my contributions, 'Introduction: What is health?' (pp.1-11) and 'Women's health and recovery in the Hippocratic corpus' (pp.150-161), Routledge, 2005 (292 pp.)

The Disease of Virgins: Green Sickness, Chlorosis and the Problems of Puberty, Routledge, 2004 (206 pp.)

Greek and Roman Medicine, Bristol Classical Press, 2001 (70 pp.)

Hippocrates' Woman: Reading the Female Body in Ancient Greece, Routledge, 1998 (322 pp.)

Hysteria Beyond Freud (written with S. Gilman, R. Porter, G.S. Rousseau and E. Showalter), University of California Press, 1993 [sole author of section, 'Once upon a text: the Hippocratic origins of hysteria,' 3-90]

Mortality and Immortality: The Anthropology and Archaeology of Death (co-edited with S.C. Humphreys), Academic Press, 1981

Journal articles

'Sex and gender: the Hippocratic case of Phaethousa and her beard', *EuGeStA* 3, 124-42, http://eugesta.recherche.univ-lille3.fr/revue/pdf/2013/King-3_2013.pdf

'Motherhood and Health in the Hippocratic Corpus: Does Maternity Protect Against Disease?' special issue of *Métis. Anthropologie des mondes grecs anciens*, 11, 51-70.

'Fighting through fiction', invited commentary for Special Issue of *Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry*, DOI 10.1007/s11013-013-9347-6

'History without Historians? Medical History and the Internet', *Social History of Medicine* 25 (2012), 212-221; doi: 10.1093/shm/hkr054
and 'Response to Shelton', *Social History of Medicine* 25 (2012), 232-238

'An infant femur bearing cut-marks from Roman Hambleden, England', S. Mays, K. Robson-Brown, S. Vincent, J. Eyers, H. King, A. Roberts, *International Journal of Osteoarchaeology*, February 2012 online publication, DOI 10.1002/oa.2232

'Galen and the widow. Towards a history of therapeutic masturbation in ancient gynaecology', *EuGeStA: Journal on Gender Studies in Antiquity* 1 (2011), 205-235

'De dokter aan het sterfbed', *Raster* 99 (2002) Special Issue 'Ars Moriendi', 90-106

'Hippocrates, Galen and the origins of the "disease of virgins"', *International Journal of the Classical Tradition* 2 (1996), 372-387

'Sacrificial blood: the role of the *amnion* in Hippocratic gynecology,' *Helios* 13.2 (1987) = *Rescuing Creusa* (ed. M.B. Skinner), Texas Tech University Press, 1987, 117-126

'Tithonos and the *tettix*,' *Arethusa* 19 (1986), 15-35; reprinted in *Old Age in Greek and Latin Literature* (eds T.M. Falkner and J. de Luce), State University of New York Press, 1990

'Agnodike and the profession of medicine,' *Proceedings of the Cambridge Philological Society* 32 (1986), 53-77

Contributions to edited volumes

'Female fluids in the Hippocratic corpus: how solid was the humoral body?' in *The Body in Balance* (eds Peregrine Horden and Elisabeth Hsu), Berghahn (May 2013)

'Fear of flute girls, fear of falling' in *Mental Disorders in the Classical World* (ed. William V. Harris), Brill: Leiden (Columbia Studies in the Ancient World), 2013, 265-282

'Midwifery, 1700-1800: The Man-Midwife as Competitor' in Anne Borsay and Billie Hunter (eds), *Nursing and Midwifery in Britain since 1700*, London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012, 107-127

'Knowing the body: Renaissance medicine and the classics' in Paula Olmos (ed.), *Greek Science in the Long Run: Essays on the Greek Scientific Tradition (4th c. BCE – 16th c. CE)*, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2012, 281-300

'Inside and outside, cavities and containers: the organs of generation in seventeenth-century English medicine' in Patricia A. Baker, Han Nijdam, Karine van 't Land (eds.), *Medicine and Space: Body, Surroundings and Borders in Antiquity and the Middle Ages; Visualising the Middle Ages* (4). Leiden: Brill, 2011, 37-60

'Medicine and disease', *Sexuality in the Classical World (500 BC-350 AD)* (eds Peter Toohey and Mark Golden), Berg, 2011, 107-124

'Gynecology', *The Classical Tradition* (eds Anthony Grafton, Glenn Most and Salvatore Settis), Harvard University Press, 2011, 416-7

'Engendrer "la femme": Jacques Dubois et Diane de Poitiers' in *Femmes en Fleurs: Santé, Sexualité et Génération du Moyen Age aux Lumières* (eds Cathy McClive, Jean-François Budin and Nicole Pellegrin), Université de Saint-Étienne, 2010, 125-138

'Medicine' in A. Erskine ed, *A Companion to Ancient History*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2009, 403-413

'Barbes, sang et genre: afficher la différence dans le monde antique' in *Langages et métaphores du corps*, eds Jérôme Wilgaux and Véronique Dasen, Presses universitaires de Rennes, 2009, 153-168

with Cathy McClive, 'When is a foetus not a foetus? Diagnosing false conceptions in early modern France' in V. Dasen (ed.), *L'Embryon humain à travers l'histoire: Images, savoirs et rites*, Actes du colloque international de Fribourg, 27-29 octobre 2004, Gollion: Infolio, 2008, 223-238

with Monica H. Green, 'Structures and Subjectivities in 16th-Century Gynecology, or How the Father of Medicine Reclaimed His Paternity'; report on a workshop conducted at the 5th Attending to Early Modern Women Conference, College Park, MD, November 2003, in *Structures and Subjectivities: Attending to Early Modern Women*, ed. Joan Hartman and Adele Seeff, Newark, DE: University of Delaware Press, 2007, 100-1

'Where did medicine come from? The origins of medicine in the second century AD', in *Rethinking Revolutions Through Ancient Greece* (eds Simon Goldhill and Robin Osborne), Cambridge University Press, 2006, 246-63

'The mathematics of sex: one to two, or two to one?' commissioned article for special issue of *Studies in Medieval and Renaissance History: Sexuality and Culture in Medieval and Renaissance Europe*, 3rd series, vol. II, 2005, 47-58

'Illness and other personal crises in Greek and Roman religions', in *Religions of the Ancient World: A Guide* (ed. Sarah Iles Johnston), Harvard University Press, 2005, 464-7

- 'The limits of normality in Hippocratic gynaecology' in Antoine Thivel (ed.), *Le normal et le pathologique dans la Collection hippocratique, Proceedings of the XI^e Colloque hippocratique, Nice* (Publications de la Faculté des Lettres, Arts et Sciences Humaines de Nice, 2002), 563-74
- 'Recovering hysteria from history: Herodotus and "the first case of shell shock"' in Peter Halligan et al. (eds), *Contemporary Approaches to the Science of Hysteria: Clinical and Theoretical Perspectives* (Oxford University Press, 2001), 36-48
- 'The power of paternity: the father of medicine meets the prince of physicians' in David Cantor (ed.), *Reinventing Hippocrates* (Ashgate, 2001), 21-36
- 'Chronic pain and the creation of narrative', in J. Porter (ed.), *Constructions of the Classical Body*, University of Michigan Press, 1999, 269-286
- 'Comparative perspectives on medicine and religion in the ancient world' in R. Porter and J. Hinnells (eds), *Religion, Health and Suffering*, Kegan Paul, 1999, 276-294
- 'Hippocratic gynaecological therapy in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries' in I. Garofolo et al. (eds), *Aspetti della Terapia nel Corpus Hippocraticum (Atti del IX^e Colloquio hippocratico, Pisa, 25-29 settembre 1996)*, Leo Olschki, Firenze, 1999, 499-515
- 'Medical texts as a source for women's history' in *The Greek World* (ed. A. Powell), Routledge, 1995, 199-218
- "'As if none understood the Art that cannot understand Greek': the education of midwives in seventeenth century England' in *The History of Medical Education in Britain* (eds V. Nutton and R. Porter), Rodopi, 1995, 180-195
- 'Conversion disorder and hysteria: social section' in *History of Clinical Psychiatry* (eds G. Berrios and R. Porter), Athlone Press, 1995, 442-450
- 'Food and blood in Hippocratic gynaecology' in *Food in Antiquity* (eds J. Wilkins et al.), University of Exeter Press, 1995, 351-358
- 'Half-human creatures' in *The British Museum Book of Mythical Beasts* (ed. J. Cherry), British Museum Press, 1995, 138-166; translated into German as *Fabeltiere*, 1997, Philipp Reclam, Stuttgart, and also into Japanese
- 'Self-help, self-knowledge: in search of the patient in Hippocratic gynaecology' in *Women in Antiquity: new assessments* (eds R. Hawley and B. Levick), Routledge, 1995, 135-148
- 'Producing woman: Hippocratic gynaecology' in *An Illusion of the Night: women in ancient societies* (eds L. Archer et al.), Macmillan, 1994, 102-114

'Sowing the field: Greek and Roman sexology' in *Sexual Knowledge, Sexual Science* (eds R. Porter and M. Teich), Cambridge University Press, 1994, 29-46

'The politick midwife: models of midwifery in the work of Elizabeth Cellier' in *The Art of Midwifery* (ed. H. Marland), Routledge, 1993, 115-130

'Using the past: nursing and the medical profession in ancient Greece' in *Anthropology and Nursing: cross-cultural and historical perspectives* (eds P. Holden and J. Littlewood), Routledge, 1991, 7-24

'Making a man: becoming human in early Greek medicine' in *The Human Embryo: Aristotle and the Arabic and European Traditions* (ed. G.R. Dunstan), University of Exeter Press, 1990, 10-19

'La femme dans la médecine grecque,' *La Recherche* 209 (1989), 462-9 = 'La mujer en la medicina greca,' *Mundo Científico* 209 (1989), 678-685

'The daughter of Leonides: reading the Hippocratic corpus' in *History as Text* (ed. A. Cameron), Duckworth, 1989, 13-32

'The early anodynes: pain in the ancient world' in *The Management of Pain: the historical perspective* (ed. R.D. Mann), Parthenon Press, 1988, 51-62

'Bound to bleed: Artemis and Greek women' in *Images of Women in Antiquity* (eds A. Cameron and A. Kuhrt), Croom Helm, 1983 (reprinted 1993), 109-127; reprinted in *Sexuality and Gender in the Classical World* (ed. L.K. McClure), Blackwell, 2002, 77-97

Encyclopaedia entries:

Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender, Fedwa Malti-Douglas, ed. (Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2007): Ancient Medicine, vol.3, pp. 982-5

Dictionary of Medical Biography (2007): Section editor for Classical Medicine: Hippocrates (4000 words), Agnodike, Archagathus, Machaon and Podalirius

Cambridge Dictionary of Classical Civilization (2006)

New DNB (OUP, 2004): Elizabeth Cellier, Chamberlen family, Hugh Chamberlen, Peter Chamberlen and Nathaniel Hodges

Neue Pauly: Abortion, Abortive, Frau (Iib, medizinisch), Geburt (I, medizinsich), Geschlecht (2), Geschlechterrolen (III, Medizin), Hysterie, Kontrazeption, Menstruation

Oxford Companion to the Body (OUP, 2001): Achilles' heel, Anthropomorphism, Bacchus, Breast, Chimera, Galen, The Greeks and the Body, Hercules, Mermaid, Metamorphosis, Mythic Thought, Narcissus, Reproduction Myths, Sacrifice, Stoicism, Titans, Venus, Wolf Child

Oxford Classical Dictionary (OUP, 1996): Agnodike, Anthropology and the Classics, The Body, Chastity, Gynaecology, Hysteria, Menstruation, Midwives, Pornography, Women; The Body, Chastity, Gynaecology, Pornography, and Women also included in the *Oxford Companion to Classical Civilization* (1998)

Reviews:

Essay reviews:

'Beyond the medical market-place: new directions in ancient medicine' in *Early Science and Medicine* 2 (1997), 88-97

'Reading the Female Body' in *Gender and History* 9 (1997), 620-4

Numerous book reviews for: *The Times Literary Supplement*, *London Review of Books*, *Journal of Hellenic Studies*, *Journal of Roman Studies*, *Classical Review*, *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*, *History*, *Social History*, *Medical History*, *Sociology of Health and Illness*, *Social History of Medicine*, *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*, *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*, *Annals of Science, Man, American Anthropologist*, *American Journal of Archeology*, *Gender and History*, *Isis*, *Klio*, *International Journal of the Classical Tradition*, *Gesnerus* etc.

In press and forthcoming

'Phrontis: the patient meets the manuscript' in Peter Adamson (ed.), *Philosophy of Health*, Oxford Philosophical Concepts series

'Teaching ancient medicine: the issues of abortion' (with Patty Baker and Laurence Totelin) in Fiona McHardy and Nancy Rabinowitz (eds), *From Abortion to Pederasty: Addressing Difficult Topics in the Classics Classroom*, Ohio State University Press.

'Between male and female in ancient medicine', in Thierry Greub (ed.), *Fluid Bodies*, Fink, autumn 2014

'Thucydides and the plague', for Neville Morley (ed.), *A Handbook to the Reception of Thucydides*, Wiley-Blackwell (co-written with Jo Brown)

'Medicine and the Senses: Humours, Potions and Spells', for Jerry Toner (ed.), *A Cultural History of the Senses in Antiquity* (co-written with Jerry Toner)

(with Gabriella Zuccolin) 'Thinking nosebleeds' in Bonnie Lander Johnson and Eleanor Decamp (eds), *Blood Matters* (Penn Press)

Outreach and pedagogical publications

'The Art of Medicine: Narratives of healing: a new approach to the past?', *The Lancet*, 15 March 2014

'Gender and Classics teaching' (co-written with Susanne Turner), *CUCD Bulletin* 2011

'Following Agnodike and Phaethousa', *Wellcome History* 46, Spring 2011, 4

'Earthworms and honey: a trip to the classical chemist', *Iris* (magazine for State schools) 3 (2007), 19-21

'Response to Steven Green' (advice to job applicants in Classics), *Council of University Classics Departments Bulletin* 36 (2007), 6-7

'Creating the world: the origins of all things in ancient Greek myth and medicine', *Interdisciplinary Science Reviews* 27 (2002), 271-7

'Contraceptives of old' (with Gillian Clark), *Chemistry and Industry* 18 (1994), 722

'Hippocratic gynaecology made simple,' *Omnibus* (March 1988), reprinted in *Contemporary Reviews in Obstetrics and Gynaecology* 1 (1989), 286-7

'Food as symbol in the ancient world,' *History Today* 36 (September 1986), 35-39