

## Deborah Kamen

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### Employment

Associate Professor of Classics, University of Washington, Seattle	2013–
Adjunct Associate Professor of Gender, Women & Sexuality Studies	2016–
Assistant Professor of Classics, University of Washington, Seattle	2007–2013
Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellow, Stanford University	2005–2007

### Education

University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D. Classics	2005
University of California, Berkeley, M.A. Greek	2000
New College, Oxford University, M.St. Greek History	1999
Bryn Mawr College, B.A. Classical Languages, <i>magna cum laude</i>	1998
Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies, Rome	Spring 1997

### Dissertation

*Conceptualizing Manumission in Ancient Greece*

Committee: Leslie Kurke (chair), Ronald Stroud, David Cohen, Marianne Constable

### Teaching and Research Interests

Greek prose, especially Attic oratory; Greek cultural and social history; Greek and Roman slavery; Gender and sexuality in antiquity

### Publications

#### Books

*Greek Slavery* (under contract; de Gruyter)

*Insults in Classical Athens* (University of Wisconsin 2020 [forthcoming])

*Status in Classical Athens* (Princeton 2013)

#### Edited volume

With C. W. Marshall, *Slavery and Sexuality in Classical Antiquity* (University of Wisconsin [forthcoming])

#### Commentaries

*Pseudo-Demosthenes: Against Neaira* (Dickinson Classical Commentaries 2018)

*Isaens' Orations 2 and 6* (Bryn Mawr Commentaries 2000)

#### Peer-reviewed articles

"The Consequences of Laughter in Aeschines' *Against Timarchos*," *Archimède* 5 (2018) 49-56

"Manumission and Slave-Allowances in Classical Athens," *Historia* 65.4 (2016) 413-426

"Sale for the Purpose of Freedom: Slave-Prostitutes and Manumission in Ancient Greece," *CJ* 109.3 (2014) 281-307

"Slave-Prostitutes and ἐργασία in the Delphic Manumission Inscriptions," *ZPE* 188 (2014) 149-153

"*Kina[i]dos*: A Pun in Demosthenes' *On the Crown*?" *CQ* 64.1 (2014) 405-408

"The Manumission of Socrates: A Rereading of Plato's *Phaedo*," *CA* 32.1 (2013) 78-100

"Naturalized Desires and the Metamorphosis of Iphis," *Helios* 39.1 (2012) 21-36

- “Reconsidering the Status of *kbôris oikountes*,” *Dike* 14 (2011) 43-53  
 “A Corpus of Inscriptions: Representing Slave Marks in Antiquity,” *MAAR* 55 (2010) 95-110  
 “Servile Invective in Classical Athens,” *SCI* 28 (2009) 43-56

#### Chapters in edited volumes

- “Lusty Ladies in the Roman Imaginary” (with S. Levin-Richardson), in R. Blondell and K. Ormand, eds., *Ancient Sex: New Essays* (Ohio State 2015) 231-252  
 “Revisiting Roman Sexuality: Agency and the Conceptualization of Penetrated Males” (with S. Levin-Richardson), in M. Masterson, N. Rabinowitz, and J. Robson, eds., *Sex in Antiquity: Exploring Gender and Sexuality in the Ancient World* (Routledge 2015) 449-460  
 “Manumission, Social Rebirth, and Healing Gods in Ancient Greece,” in D. Geary and S. Hodkinson, eds., *Slaves and Religions in Graeco-Roman Antiquity and Modern Brazil* (Cambridge Scholars 2012) 174-194  
 “Slave Agency and Resistance in Martial,” in R. Alston, E. Hall, and L. Proffitt, eds., *Reading Ancient Slavery* (Bristol Classical Press 2011) 192-203  
 “The Life Cycle in Archaic Greece,” in H. A. Shapiro, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Archaic Greece* (Cambridge 2007) 85-107

#### Reviews

- Review of E. E. Cohen, *Athenian Prostitution: The Business of Sex*. *CJ Online* 2016.12.07  
 Review of B. Akrigg and R. Tordoff, eds., *Slaves and Slavery in Ancient Greek Comic Drama*. *BMCR* 2013.08.44  
 Review of K. L. Wrenhaven, *Reconstructing the Slave: The Image of the Slave in Ancient Greece*. *BMCR* 2012.09.09  
 Review of A. Gonzales, ed., *La fin du statut servile? (affranchissement, libération, abolition)*. *BMCR* 2008.12.08  
 Review of M. Edwards, ed., *Isaens*. The Oratory of Classical Greece, 11. *BMCR* 2008.01.09  
 Review of R. Zelnick-Abramovitz, *Not Wholly Free: The Concept of Manumission and the Status of Manumitted Slaves in the Ancient Greek World*. *BMCR* 2005.11.21

#### Other publications

- “Slavery, Greece,” in R. Bagnall et al., eds., *Encyclopedia of Ancient History* (Wiley-Blackwell 2013) 6280-82  
 “Sisyphus Cous 50,” in I. Worthington, ed., *Brill’s New Jacoby* (Brill 2010; rev. ed. 2019)  
 E. G. Kazakévich, “Were the *χωρίς οἰκοῦντες* Slaves?” (Ed. D. Kamen.) *Greek, Roman and Byzantine Studies* 48 (2008) 343-80 (edited, wrote introduction and notes)

#### **Awards and Fellowships**

WCC Barbara McManus Award, “Lusty Ladies in the Roman Imaginary”	2017
Simon Visiting Professorship, University of Manchester	2014
Royalty Research Fund Grant, University of Washington	2011
WCC Award, Best Faculty Paper, “Lusty Ladies: <i>Fututrices</i> in the Roman Imaginary”	2011
Stanford Humanities Fellowship	2005–2007
Mabelle McLeod Lewis Memorial Fund Fellowship	2004–2005
Graduate Division Summer Grant, University of California, Berkeley	2004
Dean’s Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley	2003–2004
Travel Grant, Sara B. Aleshire Center for the Study of Greek Epigraphy	2003
Hesperian Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley	1999–2002
Lionel Pearson Fellowship, American Philological Association	1998–1999
Katherine Stains Prize for Classical Literature, Bryn Mawr College	1998, 1997
Dorothy Nepper Marshall Fellowship, Bryn Mawr College	1997–1998
Alumnae Regional Scholarship, Bryn Mawr College	1994

### Invited Talks

- “Gendering Slavery in Hellenistic Delphi”  
A Deep History of Slavery, Yale University, November 2019
- “Imagining Eisis: Piecing Together the Life of a Freedwoman at Delphi”  
Anthropologie et Histoire des Mondes Antiques, Paris, June 2019
- “‘Privileged’ Slaves and Honour in Classical Athens”  
Slavery and Honour in the Ancient Greek World, University of Edinburgh, June 2019
- “Your Mother Sells Vegetables! Status Insults in Classical Athens”  
Oberlin College, May 2018
- “Insults and Abuse in Classical Athens”  
Yale University, February 2018  
University of Colorado, Boulder, October 2017
- “Slavery, Freedom, and Sexual Obligation in Ancient Greece” [keynote]  
“The Cost of Freedom: Debt and Slavery” conference, Brooklyn College, CUNY, May 2017
- “Manumission and the Quasi-*peculium* in Classical Athens”  
“Between Slavery and Freedom” Conference, University of Edinburgh, May 2015
- “Prostitutes, Maidservants, and Slave Boys: Manumission and Sexuality in Ancient Greece”  
University of Manchester, November 2014
- “Sex, Slavery, and Manumission in Ancient Greece”  
University of Western Michigan, January 2014
- “Buying Freedom? Slave-Prostitutes and Legal Fictions in Ancient Greece”  
Center for Law, History and Culture, University of Southern California, January 2013
- “Servile Invective in Classical Athens”  
University of British Columbia, November 2008
- “Marks of Slavery in Ancient Greece and Rome”  
American Academy in Rome, March 2007; University of Washington, May 2007
- “Healing the Wounds of Slavery: Conceptualizations of Sacral Manumission in Ancient Greece”  
U. of Toronto, U. of Western Ontario, January 2005; U. of Washington, Boston U., February 2005

### Conference Papers

- “Insults and Status Negotiation in the Athenian Agora”  
SCS Annual Conference, Washington DC, January 2020
- “Status, Honor, and the Likelihood of Prosecution for *hubris*”  
Association of Ancient Historians Annual Meeting, Emory University, April 2019
- “Epigraphy and Critical Fabulation: Imagining Narratives of Greco-Roman Sexual Slavery”  
(with S. Levin-Richardson) Celtic Conference in Classics, University of St. Andrews, July 2018
- “The Market Insult and the Ideology of Labor in Classical Athens”  
SCS Annual Meeting, Toronto, January 2017
- “Sexuality and the Manumission of Maidservants in Ancient Greece”  
Association of Ancient Historians Annual Meeting, University of Puget Sound, May 2016
- “The Consequences of Laughter in Aeschines’ *Against Timarchos*”  
SCS Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 2015
- “The Unacknowledged Slave-Allowance in Classical Athens”  
“The Business of Slavery” Conference, University of Nottingham, Centre for Economic and Business History and the Institute for the Study of Slavery, September 2014
- “*Apo tou sōmatos ergasia*: Investigating the Labor of Prostitutes in the Delphic Manumission Inscriptions”  
APA Annual Meeting, Seattle, January 2013
- “Fictive Sale and the Manumission of Prostitutes in Ancient Greece”

Feminism and Classics VI, Brock University, May 2012

“Were the *kbôris oikountes* Freedmen?”

APA Annual Meeting, San Antonio, January 2011

“Lusty Ladies: *Futurices* in the Roman Imaginary” (with S. Levin-Richardson)

APA Annual Meeting, Anaheim, January 2010

“Manumission, Social Rebirth, and Healing Gods in Ancient Greece”

“Slaves, Cults and Religions” Conference, University of Nottingham,  
Institute for the Study of Slavery, September 2008

“Slave Agency and Resistance in Martial”

“Imagining Slavery: ‘Celebrating Abolition’ Conference 2007,” Royal Holloway,  
University of London, December 2007

“Naturalized Desires and the Metamorphosis of Iphis”

APA Annual Meeting, Montreal, January 2006

“Between Slavery and Freedom, Silence and *parrhêsia*: The Case of the Freedman in Ancient Greece”

Classics Graduate Student Conference (“Speaking Your Mind/Minding Your Speech in  
Classical Antiquity”), Princeton University, March 2004

“The Disavowal of the Sapphic Dildo”

Graduate Student Conference on Sexuality and Gender (“QGRAD 2002”), UCLA,  
November 2002

### Presentations

“Freedom and Slavery in Ancient Greece”

Annual Teachers Conference on Classical Studies, University of Washington, March 2018

“Themes in Scholarship & Book Arts: Law & Social Justice from Antiquity to Modern Times”

Colloquium in connection with “Under the Wings of Artemis,” University of Washington,  
November 2013

“Greek Democracy”

WA/BC Junior Classical League Convention, Roosevelt High School, Seattle, April 2012

“Aspects of Greek Slavery: Slavery and Social Death in Ancient Greece”

Annual Teachers Conference on Classical Studies, University of Washington, February 2009

“How to Free a Slave in Ancient Greece”

The Greek and Latin Workshop, University of California, Berkeley, June 2006

### Courses Taught

*University of Washington*

Athenian Citizenship (*graduate course*): Fall 2009

Attic Orators: Spring 2009 (Demosthenes *Against Aphobus* I and II, *Against Onetor* I and II); Spring 2011  
(Demosthenes *On the Crown*); Spring 2013 (Ps-Demosthenes *Against Neaira*)

Attic Prose (Xenophon *Anabasis*): Fall 2009, Fall 2016

Attic Prose (Plato *Apology*): Winter 2010, 2011, 2012, 2018, 2019

Defining Democracy, Ancient and Modern (*graduate microseminar*): Spring 2013

Demosthenes (*graduate course*): Spring 2014

Elementary Greek (101): Fall 2007, 2012, 2013; (102): Winter 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2020;  
(103): Spring 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2020

Greek and Roman Mythology: Winter 2011, Fall 2011, Fall 2013

Greek and Roman Private and Public Life: Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2015

Greek Slavery: Winter 2009, Spring 2019

Greek and Roman Slavery: Spring 2017, Spring 2019  
 Hellenistic Greek Literature (*Life of Aesop*): Spring 2018  
 Herodotus and the Persian Wars: Fall 2007  
 Introduction to Greek Epigraphy (*graduate course*): Winter 2008, Winter 2016  
 Insults in Classical Athens (*graduate course*): Fall 2017  
 Invective in Attic Oratory (*graduate course*): Fall 2011  
 Literature of Classical Athens (Ps-Demosthenes *Against Neaira*): Winter 2017, 2020  
 Lysias and Demosthenes (*graduate course*): Spring 2019  
 Society and Status in Greece and Rome: Fall 2016, Winter 2018, Fall 2018  
 Undergraduate Seminar (Fables and Fabulists): Winter 2010

#### *Stanford University*

Attic Orators (*graduate directed reading*): Spring 2006; Greek Prose Composition (*graduate course*): Spring 2007;  
 Introduction to Greek Epigraphy (*graduate course*): Winter 2006

#### *University of California, Berkeley*

Ancient China and Ancient Greece (TA): Spring 2002; The Greek Workshop (TA): Summer 2002;  
 Introductory Latin: Fall 2002; Undergraduate Greek Prose Composition: Fall 2001

#### *Bryn Mawr College*

Intensive Elementary Greek (TA): Spring 1998; Intermediate Greek: Herodotus (TA): Fall 1997

### **University Service**

#### *University of Washington*

Member, Executive Board, Simpson Center for the Humanities	2019–2022
Royalty Research Fund Sub-Committee for Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences	2018–2020
Graduate School Council	2018–2019
Evaluator, Library Research Award for Undergraduates	2017, 2018
Beinecke Scholarship Campus Selection Committee	2010, 2011, 2012
University Disciplinary Committee	2009, 2014
Graduate School Representative	
Jeremy Gee, Philosophy; Mira Green, History; Jennifer Hunter, Near and Middle Eastern Studies; Yin Li, Linguistics; Soeenn Park, Political Science; Sarah Titus, Art History	

### **Departmental Service**

#### *University of Washington*

Graduate Program Coordinator: Fall 2015–

Dissertation Director

Richard F. Buxton, *A Model of Conflict: The Metonymic Function of Stasis in Xenophon's Hellenica* (2010)

Dissertation Reading Committee

Konnor Clark, *Giton's Performance of Status in the Satyrical of Petronius* (2019)

Eunice Kim, *The Fugitive: Murder and Exile in Ancient Greece* (2017)

Brandon Jones, *The Sophistic Roman: Education and Status in Quintilian, Tacitus and Pliny* (2015)

Allison Das, *Medical Language in the Speeches of Demosthenes* (2015)

Naomi Campa, *I Do What I Want: Laws and Freedom in Classical Athens* (2014)

Melissa Funke, *Euripides and Gender: The Difference the Fragments Make* (2013)

Sonia Isaacs, *Homeward Bound: Gendered Spatial Arrangements in Classical Athenian Houses* (2010)

Ashli Baker, *Apuleius' Political Animal: A Socio-Cultural Reading of Identity in the Metamorphoses* (2011)

Hans-Peder Hanson, *Sophistic Epistemology* (2009)

MA Paper Director

Eunice Kim, *Demosthenes' ἰαμβοπάγος: Archilochean Invective in Aeschines' Against Timarchus* (2012)

Allison Das, *An Examination of Athenian Female Citizenship in the Classical Period* (2010)

MA Paper Reading Committee

Sarah Hafner, *Statues, Softening, and the Poet's Art in Ovid's Metamorphoses* (2018)

Diana Molkova, *Milk Triangles: Wet-nurses, their Children, and their Nurslings in Roman Funerary Inscriptions* (2018)

Muditha Dharmasiri, *Remember Me Thus: A Study of Latin Epitaphs of Mime Actresses* (2018)

Adrian Packel, *A Tale of Two Sophists: Socrates and Prodicus Through the Comedic Lens* (2014)

Megan O'Donald, *Lexical Ring Structures in the Similes of the Iliad* (2014)

Elin Rummel, *No Trade Backs: The Economy of Abduction in Ancient Greek Monumental Sculpture* (2012)

Martin Halprin, *The Variations of Masculinity in Herodotus' Histories* (2011)

Edward Bertany, *The Contest for Apollo: Genre, Occasion and Conflict in Pindar's "Paean 6"* (2011)

Benjamin Tiefenthaler, *Some Thoughts on the Particle δῆ in Sappho* (2009)

Naomi Campa, *Communal Poetic Skill in Nemean 8: A Case Study in Reception and Σοφία* (2009)

Supervisor, Senior Essay

Sierra Rasmussen, *"The Intimacy of Your Thighs"* (Fall 2019)

William McInnis, *Slavery from Antiquity to Modern History: Common Threads* (Fall 2018)

Rebekka Nicholson, *The Acquisitional Art of Angling* (Spring 2018)

Michelle Darci, *Women's Roles and Funeral Rites in Ancient Athens* (Winter 2012)

Linda Lewis, *Children in Myth as a Form of Immortality* (Spring 2011)

James Gallian, *A Comparison of the Life of Aesop and the Life of Olaudah Equiano* (Winter 2010)

Robert Rodgers, *Slavery Resistance and Reinforcement in Aesop's Fables and the Life of Aesop* (Spring 2009)

Brandon Webb, *I Only Did it Because I Love You: The Patriotism of Alcibiades* (Winter 2009)

Shayla Miles, *Gender and Sexuality in the Ancient and Modern World* (Spring 2008)

Supervisor, Special Author/Topic Exams:

Greek Sexualities (Sarah Brucia Breitenfeld): Spring 2019

Aristophanes (Konnor Clark): Winter 2018

Fables (Konnor Clark): Fall 2017

Greek Epigraphy (Hans-Peder Hanson): Fall 2007; (Josh Zacks): Winter 2018

Demosthenes (Richard F. Buxton): Fall 2007

Supervisor, Classics 101 TA's: Fall 2012–Spring 2014

Visiting Speaker and Lunchtime Colloquia Committee: Fall 2009–Spring 2014;

Chair, Fall 2013–Spring 2014

Modern Language Examination Committee: Fall 2011

Greek Examination Committee: Fall 2007–Fall 2011; Fall 2012–Spring 2014; Chair, Fall 2013–Spring 2014; Fall 2016–

Admissions, Appointments, and Awards Committee (Graduate): Fall 2007–Spring 2009; Fall 2010–Spring 2011; Fall 2012–Spring 2013; Fall 2015– (chair)

Departmental Diversity and Equity Committee: Fall 2015– (chair)

*University of California, Berkeley*

Graduate Student Representative, Sara B. Aleshire Center Committee 2003–2005

Graduate Program Committee Representative, Classics Department 2003–2004

Organizing Committee Member, "Dialogues in Antiquity" Conference 2002

Organizer, Classics Graduate Women's Group 2001–2004

### Professional Service

Co-Organizer, Panel on “Lexicon and Letters: Challenges in Studying Same-Sex Desire,” FIEC/CA Conference, London July 2019  
 Advisory Board Member, Edinburgh Studies in Ancient Slavery 2018–  
 Member, Intersectional Mentoring Program Committee, SCS 2018–  
 Co-Organizer, LCC Panel, “Slavery and Sexuality,” SCS Annual Meeting, Boston 2018  
 Juror, John J. Winkler Memorial Prize competition 2017, 2018  
 Co-Organizer, Feminism and Classics VII, University of Washington 2016  
 Member, Pearson Fellowship Committee, SCS (Chair, 2016–2017) 2014–2017  
 Co-Organizer, LCC Roundtable, Feminism and Classics VI, Brock University May 2012  
 Presider, Gender in the Roman World Panel, APA Annual Meeting, San Antonio January 2011  
 Co-Chair, Lambda Classical Caucus 2010–2018  
 Editor, *Iris*, Lambda Classical Caucus Newsletter 2007–2010  
 Juror, Selection Committee, LCC Paul Rehak Award 2006 2005  
 Referee 2001–  
*Helios* (2007, 2012); *Hesperia* (2008); *Classical Antiquity* (2001, 2002, 2005, 2018);  
*Classical World* (2013); *TAPA* (2009); *Phoenix* (2014); University of Texas Press (2010);  
 Bolchazy-Carducci (2013); Wiley-Blackwell (2014); *Classical Quarterly* (2016);  
 University of Michigan Press (2016); *Annual of the British School at Athens* (2018); *Land* (2018);  
*Classical Journal* (2018); Edinburgh University Press (2018, 2019); *Aspasia* (2018); *Classical World*  
 (2018); *Greece and Rome* (2019); *Mètis* (2019)

### Research Positions

Visiting Scholar, American Academy in Rome 2014–2015, September 2017  
 Visiting Senior Associate Member, ASCSA August 2006, June 2015  
 Visiting Student Associate Member, ASCSA July 2003  
 Editorial Assistant, *Classical Antiquity* 2001–2004  
 Research Assistant for Leslie Kurke and David Cohen 2001–2003