

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## *Marianne Rinske Dircksen*

### **1 PERSONAL PARTICULARS AND CAREER**

#### **1.1 Personal details**

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Birth date : 1951/04/05  
Present position : Senior Lecturer  
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#### **1.2 Career**

2004-present	Associate Professor	NWU
1997-2003	Senior Lecturer	PU for CHE
1992-1996	Lecturer	PU for CHE
1974 -1992	Temporary lecturer	RAU
1972-1973	Temporary teacher	TED

### **2 ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **2.1 Post graduate qualifications**

Year	Qualification	Institution	Subject
1976	Hons. B A (cum laude)	Univ. of Pretoria	Latin
1979	M.A. (cum laude)	RAU	Latin
1996	D.Litt et phil	RAU	Latin

#### **2.2 Titles of dissertations and theses**

Die uitbeelding van Agrippina Minor deur Tacitus, Suetonius en Cassius Dio - 'n vergelykende studie. M.A. 1979.

'n Narratologiese analise van Tacitus *Historiae* I 1-49. D litt et Phil. 1996.

### 3 TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### 3.1 Under and Post-graduate

Year	Level of teaching	Subject	Institution
1971-1972	Standard 6-10	Latin and English	Hoërskool F.H Odendaal (Pretoria)
1974-present	1 <sup>st</sup> year – Ph D	Latin	RAU + PU for CHE, NWU

#### 3.2 Detail of M.A. and Ph. D students

1999. Supervisor for MA in Latin. Paul du Plessis; PU for CHE. Title: *An annotated translation of Bartolus' Tractatus de fluminibus seu Tyberiadis (Book I)*. The candidate received the degree *cum laude* and was awarded the ABSA-medal by the Potchefstroom University for this study.

2009. Supervisor for Ph D in Latin. Marlene van den Berg NWU. Title: *A phytochemical analysis of ancient narcotics, with comparative notes on some South African folk medical practices*. The candidate completed the study is presently employed by the NWU as a lecturer.

2010 Supervisor

#### 3.3 External moderator

2000, 2001: Latin 3, University of Pretoria

2003: External moderator, Master's dissertation, Free State University;

2005: Critical reader, Quality assurance, Unisa

2006: Critical reader, Quality assurance, Unisa, LAN 821-F, LAN203-Q

2006: Critical reader, Quality assurance, UJ.

2007: External examiner, UJ

2008: Member of Quality Assurance panel, UP

2008: External moderator. Master's dissertation, Stellenbosch

2009 External examiner, Latin 3 UJ

2009 External moderator Master's dissertation, Free State University

2010 External examiner, Latin 3 UJ

#### 3.4 Teaching awards

1999 Award for teaching Excellence (Potchefstroom University for CHE)

2003 Award for teaching Excellence (Potchefstroom University for CHE)

2006 Prestige Award for teaching Excellence (NWU)

### 4 TASKS IN DEPARTMENT/SUBJECT GROUP

#### 4.1 Subject Group

Head of subject group: Latin

#### 4.2 Faculty

Member of Teaching Committee, 2001-2010

Member of Professional Committee 2009 - 2010

Member of Faculty Council (Theology (since 1998), Law (appointed in 1996, again in 2007), Humanities (since 1997))

## 5 PUBLICATIONS

Articles in academic journals and chapters in books

### 5.1

DIRCKSEN, M. 2010. *Die rol van Latyn in die opleiding van regstudente in SA in die 21ste eeu. De iure (accepted for publication)*

DIRCKSEN, M & VAN DEN BERG, M. 2008. *Mandrake from Antiquity to Harry Potter. Akroterion. Volume 53, December 2008. p. 67-79.*

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 2007. 'Tacitean 'Truth': Quot homines, tot sententiae.' In J. Hilton, A. Gosling (edd.), *Alma Parens Originalis? The Receptions of Classical Literature and Thought in Africa, Europe, the United States, and Cuba*, 237-255. New York::Peter Lang.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 2004. 'Myth and Identity'. In H. Viljoen, & C. Van der Merwe (edd.) *Storyscapes: South African perspectives on literature, space and identity*. 89-103. New York: Peter Lang.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1999. Tacitus se uitbeelding van Agrippina Minor. *Literator*. 20(1):119-139.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1996. A narratological reading of Tacitus' historical works. *Acta Academia* 28(3):89-104

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1993. Tacitus se *Historiae*, 1-50: Enkele narratiewe aspekte. *Tydskrif vir Literatuurwetenskap* 9:384-395.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1989. 'n Analise van *Historiae* III, 25 van Tacitus aan die hand van geselekteerde begrippe uit die verhaalteorie. *Theros*: 114-120.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1986. Die Romeinse gode. *Akroterion*, XXXI 4, Desember. p. 103-111.

DIRCKSEN, M.R. 1986. Die Romeinse gode. *Akroterion*, XXXI 2+3, Junie/Sept. p. 76-85.

### 5.2 Handbooks for university and school

Basson, A.F., Dircksen, M.R. & Henderson, W.J. 1991. *Lingua Latina*. Johannesburg: R.A.U.

### 5.3 Future research

Articles in progress

DIRCKSEN, M. 2010. *FID in the work of Tacitus. Ramus.*

DIRCKSEN, M & VAN DEN BERG, M. 2010. *The use of opium in Antiquity.*

DIRCKSEN, M. 2010. *Early antecedents of baptism. Ekklesiastikos Pharos.*

## 6 COMMUNITY SERVICE IN UNIVERSITY CONTEXT

Classes in Classical Culture at the "School for the Gifted" (2000, 2002)

"Minimus Mus" classes for primary school learners (2010)

## 7 MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION IN ASSOCIATIONS.

- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA). 1974-present. **Member**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) 2003 **Member of national executive committee.**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) 2005 **Member of national executive committee.**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) 2006 **Member of national executive committee.**

- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) 2005-2011 **Member of national executive committee: Secretary.**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) – Northern Branch 1995-2000. **Secretary**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) – Northern Branch 2000-2004 **Chairperson**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) – Northern Branch 2005-2008 **Vice Chairperson**
- Classical Association of South Africa (CASA) – Northern Branch 2010 **Chairperson**
- Suid-Afrikaanse Vereniging vir Algemene Literatuurwetenskap (SAVAL). 1992-present. Member
- Suid Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns – **Member since 2002**

## 8 PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES

### Participation in national conferences

#### PAPERS READ

- 1992 *Tacitus' Historiae* I,1-49: *the narrative element "events"* Paper read at Roman Studies Conference, Univ. of Natal
- 1993 *Tacitus se Historiae* I,1-39: *Die narratiewe aspekte tyd en karakterisering.* Paper read at Conference of the Classical association of South Africa. WITS.
- 1995 *Tacitus se Historia* I, 1-49: *Outeur, verteller en ontvanger.* Paper read at Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa. UOFS - Bloemfontein.
- 1997 *Tacitus' portrayal of the Roman emperors' wives: "Type characters?"* Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa. UP. Pretoria
- 1999 *Free indirect discourse - a technique in the historical writings of Tacitus.* Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa. UWC - Bellville.
- 2001 *The case for the study of myths in 21<sup>st</sup> Century South Africa.* 24<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa at the University of South Africa (Pretoria). (January 2001)
- 2002 *The Initiation of women in church and society.* Paper read at Workshop for Project on Women in Church and society. University of Potchefstroom, Faculty of Theology, Potchefstroom
- 2003 *Initiation of Women in ancient and modern societies.* 25<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa . Stellenbosch.
- 2005 *The reception history of Tacitus' historical works.* 26<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa. Pietermaritzburg.
- 2007 *Getting Law students to take and enjoy Latin.* 27<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Classical Association of South Africa. Cape Town.
- 2008 *Die rol van Latyn in die opleiding van regstudente in Suid-Afrika in die 21ste eeu* SA Akademie se simposium oor diversiteit, Stellenbosch. (19-20 June).

### Participation in international conferences

#### ATTENDANCE ONLY

- 1999 Oxford University, July 1999: "IT in Classics."
- 2000 Organisation: Potchefstroom University for CHE:: Seminar on "Ancient Rhetoric."
- 2005 Open University, Milton Keynes, U.K., January 2005. "Current issues, future strategies: classical language teaching at university."
- 2010 The Classical Association Annual Conference, Cardiff University. April 2010.

#### PAPERS READ

- 1996 *The relevance of narratology for the reception of Tacitus' historical work* . Paper read at "Conference on the Reception of Classical Texts" - Open Univ., Milton Keynes, UK.
- 1997 *Discovering Tacitus' (hidden) response to political change: Modern literary theory as method*. Paper read at "Pacific Rim Seminar". Univ. of Natal, Durban.
- 2000 *Teaching African students about Roman myths: From the known to the unfamiliar*. Paper read at the XVI th Congress of the International Comparative Literature Association at the University of South Africa, (Pretoria)
- 2001 *The educational function of myths: a catalyst between "The West" and Africa*. Paper read at the *Africa and Europe: Myths, Masks and Masquerades* conference at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa (April 2001)
- 2001 *Teaching African students about classical myths*. Paper read at the Atoll conference, University of Gaborone, Botswana.
- 2003 *Type casting of women in ancient historiography*. The Classical Association Centenary conference. University of Warwick (April 2003).
- 2008 *Teaching Latin at a South African university in 2008: Some challenges and strategies*". "Athiner, conference on Education", Athens (May 2008)

## 9 PROFESSIONAL EXPOSURE AND APPEARANCES

### 9.1 Study visits (national and international)

- 1989 Prof dr.dr. Klaus Rosen – Rheinischen Friedrich-Wilhelms Universität, Bonn, West Germany.
- 1999 Oxford – IT in Classics
- 2001 Talk delivered at University of Texas (El Paso) : *Myth and identity*. (Western Cultural Heritage Faculty Symposium) (18 September)
- 2001(September) Research visits: Prof Peter Toohey in Calgary, (Canada), and prof Annabel Robinson in Regina (Canada)
- 2002 (May): Radio Talk: *Die Latyn wat ons elke dag praat*. Radio Sonder Grense: Die tale wat ons praat.
- 2007 Panel member, Quality Assurance, Department of Greek and Roman Studies, UJ. (Jan.)
- 2008 Panel member, Quality Assurance, Department of Ancient Languages, UP 4-7 Mei
- 2008 (November) Radio Talk: *Die Latyn in Afrikaans*. Radio Sonder Grense: Die tale wat ons praat.

Several talks on classical antiquity (CASA, Northern Branch, "Amici Classici" etc..)

Acts as adjudicator for articles in several South African journals.

Member of committee for the adjudication of student essays for the Essay Competition (Classical Association of South Africa).2005-2009