

PROMOTION RECOMMENDATION
The University of Michigan
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Celia E. Schultz, associate professor of classical studies, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, is recommended for promotion to professor of classical studies, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Academic Degrees:

Ph.D.	1999	Bryn Mawr College
M.A.	1994	Bryn Mawr College
B.A.	1992	Pennsylvania State University

Professional Record:

2010 – present	Associate Professor, Department of Classical Studies, University of Michigan
2008 – 2010	Associate Professor, Department of Classics, Yale University
2001 – 2008	Assistant Professor, Department of Classics, Yale University
2000 – 2001	Visiting Lecturer, Department of Classics, Johns Hopkins University
2000	Visiting Lecturer, Department of Greek, Latin, and Classical Studies, Bryn Mawr College

Summary of Evaluation:

Teaching – Professor Schultz is an excellent teacher, who has shown particular dedication to undergraduate advising and curricular improvement. She has taught a variety of classes at different levels, from elementary Greek and Latin through an innovative team-taught graduate seminar that brought together students in literature and history, with great success. She has introduced a new course on Roman religion into the classical civilization curriculum and a course on the history of the Roman Republic (cross-listed with History) that has expanded to enroll 75 students and is expected to continue to grow. As director of undergraduate studies she has rationalized and clarified Classical Studies' curriculum, making a special contribution to rethinking second-year Latin. She is a member of several Ph.D. committees in her department and in the Interdepartmental Program in Greek and Roman History.

Research – Professor Schultz is a historian of Rome and a specialist in Roman religion, and since coming to Michigan with tenure she has published in both fields. Her article on ritual murder appeared in a religion rather than a classics journal, and both the papers on ritual murder and the article on the vestal virgins display the originality of her earlier book on the religious lives of Roman women. Her commentary is less original but demonstrates her mastery of Latin style and her breadth. The new projects on Roman religious language and on sacrifice indicate a return to the provocative and innovative methods of her earlier work, and seem likely to be of interest to students of other religions.

Recent and Significant Publications:

A Commentary on Cicero's De Divinatione, Book I, University of Michigan Press, forthcoming.

“Italy and the Greek East, 2nd century,” in *Blackwell’s Companion to Roman Italy*, A. E. Cooley (ed.), forthcoming 2014.

“On the burial of unchaste vestal virgins,” in *Rome, Pollution and Propriety: Dirt, Disease and Hygiene in the Eternal City from Antiquity to Modernity*, M. Bradley (ed.), in the series *Monographs of the British School at Rome*, Cambridge University Press, 2012, pp. 122-36.

“The Romans and ritual murder,” *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 78, 2010, pp. 516- 541.

Service – Professor Schultz persuaded the department to create a position for a director of undergraduate studies, and she has done an outstanding job in this role, proposing curricular changes that improve the student experience while reducing the risk of small sections, improving advising, and helping with designing the departmental curriculum. She is a member of the boards of two important journals in her field, has been a juror for the Rome Prize of the American Academy in Rome, and has been on the Committee for Ancient History and the Steering Committee of the Women’s Caucus of the American Philological Association. Also, she is co-editor of a new series at Michigan Press that will present the most innovative work in ancient history. She regularly referees books and articles for other presses and journals.

External Reviewers:

Reviewer (A)

“Among her future projects listed in her research statement, I was especially intrigued by her proposed study of Roman sacrifice...studies of Roman sacrifice have drawn their conceptual framework entirely from studies of Greece, which have in turn depended on anthropological readings, many of which are now outdated. Professor Schultz is the first person I have seen who has not merely recognised [sic] that there is a problem here, but has sketched out some useful approaches and distinctions to be made in solving it.”

Reviewer (B)

“Schultz’s work is valuable for anyone interested in the Roman Republic. She has made a name for herself in Roman religion, certainly, but also in women’s studies and in the broad field of Roman Republican history. She is on people’s radar in that rather indefinable way that one recognizes... I look forward to seeing what she writes next.”

Reviewer (C)

“This is solid scholarship in the best sense of the word, easily figuring in reading assignments or lists of publications used to structure one or the other segment of research.”

Reviewer (D)

“Her curriculum vitae and her research statement show that she is a gifted, ambitious and dedicated scholar of Roman history with a broad interest in Roman religion, gender and intellectual history. In her commentary she demonstrates her mastery of the ancient sources as a Latinist as well as an ancient historian.”

Reviewer (E)

"Professor Schultz has distinguished herself as a significant scholar and a leader in her field, and all the signs indicate that she will continue to distinguish herself as an original and productive scholar in the years to come."

Reviewer (F)

"The reading is a persuasive one, the debates about the De Divinatione have been moved forwards [sic] on various fronts. Not in an earth-shattering way, but in a solidly and securely progressive manner: based on sound scholarship, and a more balanced and holistic perspective..."

Summary of Recommendation:

Professor Schultz's research brings together Roman social and intellectual history, Roman religion, and Latin literature. Her record of teaching and service is outstanding. The Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts and I recommend that Associate Professor Celia E. Schultz be promoted to the rank of professor of classical studies, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Susan A. Gelman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Susan A. Gelman
Heinz Werner Distinguished University Professor,
Professor of Psychology and Interim Dean
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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