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Education Born in Athens, Angeliki Petropoulou was educated at Pierce College there (1960-66) and then at the University of Athens, where she studied history and archaeology (1966-72) gaining a B.A. with distinction. She then gained a Ph.D. in Classics, under the supervision of William M. Calder III, at the University of Colorado, Boulder (1976-79, 1982-83). It was Professor Calder who introduced her to the concept of the *Totalitätsideal*, that is, “the conviction that literary sources alone cannot provide a comprehensive reconstruction of antiquity but that all material remains (archaeological, architectural, epigraphical, numismatic) must be exploited.” In 1981, the Graduate School of the University of Colorado, Boulder awarded her its Certificate of Excellence in Research and Creative Work, for her first two scholarly publications.

In 1979, she joined the American School of Classical Studies at Athens as an Associate Member. She took part in the annual Regular Program of the School and stayed on for the next two years (1980-82) to work on matters relating to her research. Over the period 1/7/1983-28/2/1985, she shared the position of Secretary of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens with R. A. Bridges Jr. At the suggestion of the then Director of the School, Professor Stephen G. Miller, she organized a series of evening lectures to which were invited for the first time as speakers members of the Greek academic community. One such speaker was Angelos Delivorrias, who was already then Director of the Benaki Museum and who subsequently became a Professor at the University of Athens.

Academic Career During her graduate studies she taught as an Instructor for undergraduate courses in ancient Greek language and literature at the University of Colorado at Boulder (1982-83) and on the Athens-based “Study in Greece” programme (1984). Later on, she gave an introductory seminar on ancient Greek epigraphy at the ASCS at Athens (1985). During the years 1985-2003, she was employed at the Institute of Greek and Roman Antiquity of the National Hellenic Research Foundation, where she worked for the Institute’s *Thrace*, the *Early Balkan Peoples and Cultures*, and the *Greek East* programmes. Thanks to her work dealing with the ancient peoples of the Balkan peninsula, she became interested in comparative studies. Since 2003, she has been Associate Professor in Greek Civilization Studies in the School of Humanities of the Hellenic Open University, based at Patras. She is Module Coordinator for the undergraduate course on Public and Private Life in Ancient Greece and Byzantium (Greek Civilization Studies, ELP 20), for which she is a course tutor at Patras. She has also served and is currently serving as Course Director (2003-05, 2008, 2009-) of Greek Civilization Studies. During 2005-07, she also worked as Module Coordinator for the graduate course on Orthodoxy as Heritage (Orthodox Theology Studies, ORTH 50), for which she was a course tutor at Patras.

Invitations In 1985 she was Visiting Scholar at the Fondation Hardt in Geneva. In 1996 she was Stanley J. Seeger Visiting Research Fellow, on the Program in Hellenic Studies at Princeton University. In recent years she was twice (2006, 2009) Visiting Scholar at Trinity College, Cambridge (U.K.). She has given lectures at the National Hellenic Research Foundation (1996, 2000), at the University of California at Los Angeles (1996) and at the India International Center at New Delhi (2000).

Publications-Research Interests She has published scholarly articles and other work in both Greek and international periodicals, in *Festschriften* and other collective publications. Her research interests are ancient Greek religion and society, and in particular divine and heroic cults, marital and funerary customs, and comparative studies.