

# Virtual Socrates Colloquium 2022

The Second Colloquium of the Fall 2022 Series

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Wednesday, Oct. 12

## Antisthenes within the Socratic Querelle des Femmes Carolina Araújo

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My research aims to describe a *querelle des femmes* among members of the first Socratic schools. By *querelle des femmes*, I understand a debate identifiable in texts, apothegms, testimonies and anecdotes on the virtue of women, in particular regarding their ability to develop philosophical virtue. In this talk I shall address Antisthenes' position within the *querelle* on three stages: (i) an analysis of Xenophon's *Symposium* to the conclusion that Antisthenes is portrayed as skeptical about men being capable of teaching women; (ii) an assessment of the extant information on his works that shows his defense of an active role of women in their own education; (iii) a comparison of sources showing that both Antisthenes "women's agency" thesis and his approach to logic are key features in the description of Hipparchia as a philosopher.

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The colloquium will begin at 11:00 AM Houston CST (GMT-6). The colloquium will last 1.5 hours. Prof. Araújo will present her talk, followed by discussion.

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