



Professor William Riegel Schmalstieg

**Foreign Member of the Lithuanian Academy
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William Riegel Schmalstieg, is a philologist, linguist and translator, Baltic and Slavic languages educator. He was born on October 3, 1929 in Sayre, Pennsylvania, United States.

Education

Bachelor, University Minnesota, 1950

Postgraduate, Columbia University, 1952

Master of Arts, University Pennsylvania, 1951

Doctor of Philosophy, University Pennsylvania, 1956

Doctor of Philosophy (honorary), Vilnius University, 1994

Career

Instructor, U. Kentucky, Lexington, 1956-1959

Assistant professor, Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, 1959-1963

Associate professor, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 1963-1964

Professor, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, since 1964

Head of Department Slavic languages, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, 1969-1991

Member of International Commission Balto-Slavic Linguistics, since 1973

Appointed Edwin Erle Sparks professor Slavic Language, 1990

Membership

Served to First lieutenant United States Army, 1952-1954

Member of Association for the Advancement Baltic Studies (president 1982-1984)

American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages

Awards

National Endowment of the Humanities grantee, 1978-1979
Fulbright grantee and exchange scholar Academy of Sciences, Vilnius, LSSR, 1986
Recipient Humanities medal Pennsylvania State University, 1983
Friend of Lithuania award Knights of Lithuania, 1990
Named Distinguished Alumnus Breck School, 1990
Lithuanian Government Mazvydas medal, 1997
Foreign Member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, 2006

Books and publications

Readings in Old Prussian, 1965
Introduction to Modern Lithuania (with L. Dambriunas and A. Klimas), 1966
The Old Prussian Verb, 1970
Lithuanian-English Glossary of Linguistic Terminology (with A. Klimas), 1971
An Old Prussian Grammar, 1974
Studies in Old Prussian, 1976
An Introduction to Old Church Slavic, 1976
Indo-European linguistics: A new synthesis, 1980
Beginning Hittite (with W. H. Held, J. E. Gertz), 1988
A Lithuanian Historical Syntax, 1988
Historical Morphology of the Baltic Verb, 2000

Articles: *The Lithuanian Language – Past and Present*, *Lituanus*, 1982 No. 28(1), *A Student Guide to the Genitive of the Agent in Indo-European Languages* (Journal of Indo-European Studies Monography No 14) *An Introduction to Old Russian* (Journal of Indo-European Monograph Series No 15), et cetera...