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Joan K. Smith is currently Dean of the College of Education at The University of Oklahoma. She came to OU from Loyola University in Chicago where she served as Professor, Associate Graduate Dean, Acting Graduate Dean, and Acting Director of the Doyle Center. Currently she is Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies as well as Dean.

She is the author of Ella Flagg Young: Portrait of a Leader (Educational Studies Press, 1979) and co-author of Lives in Education (Educational Studies Press, 1984; 2nd edition, St. Martins Press, 1994; Lawrence Erlbaum Press, 1996), and Education Today: The Foundations of a Profession (St. Martins Press, 1994; Lawrence Erlbaum Press, 1996). She has authored or co-authored chapters in the following books: History of Chicago Women Encyclopedia, Women Educators in the United States, Why We Should Teach the History of Education, History of Elementary School Teaching and Curriculum.

Dr. Smith's list of articles is impressive. Her approximately fifty publications have appeared in the Educational Studies, Journal of the Midwest History of Education Society, Vitae Scholasticae, Review Journal of Philosophy and Social Sciences, Illinois Schools Journal, Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin, Educational Horizons, International Journal of Intercultural Relations, Journal of the Illinois Historical Society, Texas Tech Journal of Education, and Journal of Thought. She has served as Editor of Educational Studies, a national journal in the Foundations of Education, and Co-Editor of Vitae Scholasticae, a journal sponsored by the International Society of Educational Biography. She currently serves on the editorial advisory boards of Journal of Thought, an interdisciplinary quarterly, and Review Journal of Philosophy and Social Sciences, an international journal sponsored by Annu Books. She also serves as a reviewer for various manuscripts for SUNY Press and Teachers College Press. Her research reflects her interest in history of education, especially the history of women in education.

She has extensive experience with NCATE. She currently is serving on the NCATE Board of Examiners and has chaired several NCATE Review Teams. She has served on the subcommittee for reviewing Standards of NCATE for the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education. Under her leadership The University of Oklahoma College of Education was accredited by NCATE.

In Oklahoma Dr. Smith is a member of the Executive Committee of the Council of Great City Colleges of Education as well as the Oklahoma NCTAF Policy Committee and the Oklahoma Association of Colleges of Teacher Education.

Her professional offices include Past President of Society of Professors of Education, past member of the Executive Council of American Educational

Studies Association, Past President of the International Society of Educational Biography, Past President and Past Secretary of Midwest History of Education Society, and Past President of Eta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. She received The Kappan Award for Outstanding Educator, local chapter of Phi Delta Kappa in 1989. Her contributions to the profession were recognized in 1998 when she was the recipient of the Virgil S. Lagomarcino Laureate, Outstanding Alumni Award from Iowa State University.

Dr. Smith lives in Norman with three delightfully human canine friends, Jesse, Reggie and Freckles. Many of our members will remember Dr. Smith's son, Jeff, as an early "member" of the Southwest Philosophy of Education Society. Jeff attended several meetings beginning in the 1970s. He pursued graduate degrees and conducted research in Germany on a grant prior to receiving the Ph.D. degree from The University of Illinois. Currently he is Assistant Professor of Education at Northwestern State University of Louisiana at Natchitoches, a position for which he was selected over 100 other applicants.