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EDUCATION

M.A., French 2004 Denton, Texas

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

M. Ed., Education Sciences

(Licenciée en sciences de l'éducation) mention : distinction

1997

UNIVERSITÉ DE LIEGE

Thesis: The influence of formative evaluation on the learning of French as a second

language in Louisiana by the Spirale method

Liège, Belgium

B.A., French

(Agrégée de l'Enseignement Secondaire Inférieur en français, option religion)

1993

SAINTE-CROIX, Haute École Libre Mosane

Liège, Belgium

CERTIFICATIONS

Formation des examinateurs de l'épreuve Interagir à l'oral des DFP (Diplômes de français professionnel)

October 2023

CCI (Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie) Paris Ile-de-France, Education Completed a 10-hour course online to assess oral communication in business French Paris, France

MOPI (Modified Oral Proficiency Interview) Assessment Workshop

ACTFL Center for Assessment Research & Development

Dallas, Texas

June 2022

Completed 25 hours of professional development in an MOPI assessment workshop

OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview) Workshop

May 2021

ACTFL Center for Assessment Research & Development

Completed 12-14 hours of professional development in an OPI familiarization workshop

Dallas, Texas

Formation pour Enseigner le Français des Affaires

January 2020

CCI (Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie) Paris Ile-de-France, International Completed a 30-hour (1-week) course about teaching business French and training Dallas, Texas

certified

Online Teaching Faculty Training

Fall 2016

CTE (Center for Teaching Excellence) at Southern Methodist University Completed a 6-week fully online course about teaching online and certified to teach

online at SMU

Dallas, Texas

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Professor of French

November 2024 - present

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Dallas, Texas

Taught and served as Coordinator of Second Year French, and redesigned Advanced French course:

FREN 3356 - Advanced French II 3-day format (since 2025)

FREN 2302 - Intermediate French II (since 2019)

FREN 2401 - Intermediate French (since 2014)

Senior Lecturer of French

Fall 2011 - 2024

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Dallas, Texas

Taught and served as Coordinator of Second Year French

FREN 2302 - Intermediate French II (since 2019)

FREN 2401 - Intermediate French (since 2014)

Taught and served as Coordinator of First Year French, with two new courses:

FREN 1401 ONLINE - Beginning French I (2016-2020)

FREN 1502 - Beginning French II with review (2012-2019)

Lecturer of French Fall 2002 - Spring 2011

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Dallas, Texas

Taught and served as Coordinator of First Year French

FREN 1401 - Beginning French I (2002-2019)

FREN 1402 - Beginning French II (2002-2019)

Instructor of French 2008, 2009 & 2010

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Dallas, Texas

Taught conversational French to theater graduate students from Meadows

School of the Arts

Adjunct Lecturer of French Spring 1999 - 2002

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Dallas, Texas

Taught beginning, intermediate French classes and FREN 3101 phonetics

Teaching Fellow Spring 2000
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS Denton, Texas

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS Taught intermediate French classes

French teacher May 1998 - December 1999

ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE DALLAS

Dallas, Texas

Shreveport, Louisiana

Taught French as a foreign language to adult students

French teacher Summer 1996

VZW ROELAND Virton, Belgium

Taught French at an immersion summer camp for Dutch-speaking teenagers

French teacher Academic year 1993-1994

CODOFIL (Council for the Development of French in Louisiana)

Taught French as a second language at Summer Grove Elementary School

Student teacher Spring 1993

COLLEGE SAINT-LOUIS

Liège, Belgium

Completed an 8-week teaching placement for French as second language

in a *classe d'accueil* for allophone students arriving in Belgium

Student teacher Fall 1992

COLLEGE SAINTE-VERONIQUE

Liège, Belgium

Completed an 8-week teaching placement for French as first language in middle school

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS & SERVICE

Program Coordinator 2019-present

Served as Coordinator of Second Year French, and redesigned Intermediate French courses:

FREN 2401 - Intermediate French I WEB-enhanced format (since 2020).

Fulfills Common Curriculum (CC) Literary Analysis and Interpretation (LAI)

& Global Perspectives (GPS).

FREN 2302 - Intermediate French II (since 2019). Fulfills Common

Curriculum (CC) Creativity and Aesthetics (CA), Global Perspectives (GPS)

& Oral Communication (OC).

Served as Coordinator of First Year and Third-semester French, developed the curriculum with two new Introductory courses, and redesigned the Third-semester course:

FREN 1401 ONLINE - Beginning French I (2016-2020)

FREN 2401 - Intermediate French I 4-day format (2016-2019). Fulfills University Curriculum (UC) 2016 Language and Literature (L&L) & Global Engagement (GE)

FREN 2401 - Intermediate French I 5-day format (2014-2016). Fulfills University Curriculum (UC) 2012 Creativity and Aesthetics (CA) & Global Engagement (GE)

FREN 1502 - Beginning French II with review (2012-2019). Fulfills Second Language Requirement (SLR)

Committee Member 2012-present

Served on SMU (Southern Methodist University) faculty committees:

WLL Executive Committee, elected Non-Tenure Track's representative (Fall 2025-Spring 2027)

Advisory Committee on Promotion to Senior Lecturer – Division I (Fall 2025)

Fulbright Interview panel (Fall 2025)

Promotion Committee for Senior Lecturer I (Fall 2024)

WLL (World Languages & Literatures) Pedagogy Committee (Spring 2016-Spring 2024)

World Languages for Specific Purposes Task Force (Summer 2020)

Common Curriculum Second Language Committee (Fall 2019-Spring 2020)

Online Course Advisory Committee (Fall 2017-Spring 2019)

WLL Executive Committee, elected Lecturers' representative (Fall 2015-Spring 2017)

Online Course Development Committee (Spring 2016-Fall 2016)

Faculty Search Committees for Lecturers in French (2012, 2014, 2018, 2019 & 2020)

Program Coordinator

2002-2012

Served as Coordinator of First Year French, and redesigned beginning French courses:

FREN 1401 - Beginning French I (2002-2019)

FREN 1402 - Beginning French II (2002-2019)

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

FREN 2401 - SECOND-YEAR/INTERMEDIATE FRENCH - WEB ENHANCED

2020

FREN2401 (4 credits per term) Intermediate French is a continuation of Beginning French. Time-on-task for a 4-credit course should total approximately 180 hours. The expected time required to complete all the activities in this 15-week course is approximately 12 hours per week. This class meets synchronously MWF on campus, and the 4th credit hour is accessible online TTh asynchronously.

FREN 1401 - BEGINNING FRENCH - ONLINE

2016

FREN1401 (4 credits per term) Beginning French: term one, is a 5-week, fully online course. Students meet synchronously virtually for verbal activities with two partners at the end of each weekly module, but the majority of the work is completed asynchronously on Canvas Learning Management System and the textbook online learning platform.

FREN 1502 - BEGINNING FRENCH II WITH REVIEW

2012

FREN1502 (6 credits per term) Beginning French with review: term two, is an extensive review of the first term of French, designed for students who have had French previously but who are not ready for FREN 1402.

INSTRUCTIONAL PRESENTATIONS

SMU (Department of World Languages & Literatures at Southern Methodist University) Presented: *"Literary Analysis and Interpretation through Films in third semester French."*, 11th Annual Interlinguistic Pedagogical Exchanges, WLL Department at SMU, 2024.

2024

ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages)

2022

Co-presented in pre-recorded session: "Forever Flipped: Practical applications for post-pandemic online teaching." ACTFL 2022 Convention, Boston MA, November 18-20, 2022.

SMU (Department of World Languages & Literatures at Southern Methodist University) Co-presented in live session: "Setting up a Web-enhanced Course, an example for Intermediate French on Canvas.", 10th Annual Interlinguistic Pedagogical Exchanges, WLL Department at SMU, 2022.	2022
ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Co-presented in simulated live session: "Visual Literacy and the 5th skill of Viewing: Language through Film." ACTFL 2021 Virtual Convention, November 19-21, 2021.	2021
ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Co-presented in pre-recorded session: "Summative Online Assessment; the good, the bad and the ugly." ACTFL 2021 Virtual Convention, November 19-21, 2021.	2021
ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Co-presented in roundtable: "Assessing Intermediate Communication & Cultural Competence with TalkAbroad." ACTFL 2019 Convention, Washington, DC, November 22-24, 2019.	2019
ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Co-presented in exhibitor workshop: "How MindTap builds Student Confidence." ACTFL 2018 Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 16-18, 2018.	2018
Cengage Presented in sponsored session: "The Opportunities of the Digital Classroom." Cengage World Languages Regional Event, Dallas, Texas, March 9, 2018.	2018
SMU (Department of World Languages & Literatures at Southern Methodist University) Co-presented: "Setting up a Web-enhanced Course, an example for Beginning French on Canvas.", 6th Annual Interlinguistic Pedagogical Exchanges, WLL Department at SMU, 2017.	2017
SMU (Department of World Languages & Literatures at Southern Methodist University) Presented: "Writing in Stages in Intermediate French.", 3rd Annual Interlinguistic Pedagogical Exchanges, WLL Department at SMU, 2015.	2015
AATF (American Association of teachers of French) Presented didactical material I created about Belgian culture, 81st Annual Congress, Liège, Belgium, July, 2008.	2008

RESEARCH, PUBLICATIONS & GRANTS

SCOLT (Southern Conference on Language Teaching) Dimension article

Aaron, G., Cabot, A., Forlino, D, Solera-Adoboe, S. "It Took a Village: A

Demonstrated Need of Institutional Support for Successful Online Teaching."

SCOLT Dimension 57 (2022), ed. Paula Garrett-Rucks.

Pedagogical Partner Up Grant

Sponsored by Southern Methodist University CTE (Center for Teaching Excellence) Participated in a faculty-led learning pod focused on "Task-based projects and formative and summative forms of assessment"

FLACH Mini-Grant Fall 2019

Sponsored by AATG (American Association of Teachers of German) Participated in a French, German and Italian project about Switzerland

TalkAbroad Curriculum Development Grant

Sponsored by TalkAbroad conversation platform

Participated in a French, Spanish and Italian project for Intermediate language courses

AATF (American Association of Teachers of French) National Bulletin article Aaron, Gwendoline S., "*La Belgique : Le roman d'un pays.*" <u>AATF National Bulletin</u> 33. 3 (2008) : 17. & "La Belgique en septante questions."

January 2008

2018-2019

Spring 2021

Eurydice Research 1996 & 1997

Assisted in a comparative study of the teaching of reading skills in E.U. countries for Eurydice at Université de Liège

LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT & CONSULTING

Assessment Facilitator 2025

Participated as a facilitator and a rater in the SMU Common Curriculum's post-hoc (juried) assessment of student learning for LAI (Literary Analysis and Interpretation)

Assessment Rater 2023 & 2024

Participated as a rater in the SMU Common Curriculum's post-hoc (juried) assessment of student learning for GPS (Global Perspectives) and SLM (Second Language, Modern languages)

DFP Examiner 2023-2025

Assessed oral communication in business French for the 2040 Paris Chamber of Commerce test, DFP Level B1, at The Hockaday School, in Dallas, Tx

Cengage Faculty Partner 2018-2022

Trained instructors on how best to use Cengage online educational platforms, and consulted as a member of the Cengage FPN (Faculty Partner Network)

Textbook Reviewer 2006, 2009 & 2012

for Jansma & Kassen. Motifs: An Introduction to French. Boston: Heinle Cengage Learning, (6th ed) 2013; (5th ed) 2010 & (4th ed) 2007.

DFP Examiner 2000-present

Assessed oral communication in business French for the DFP (Diplômes de Français Professionnel) Levels B2 & C1 at SMU.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Provost's Teaching Recognition Award Nominee

FILTA (Film in Language Teaching Association) 2016-present

ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) 2016-present

AATF (American Association of teachers of French) 2008-present

AWARDS & HONORS

HOPE Professor of the Year Award Nominee	2021
HOPE Professor of the Year Award Nominee Department of Residence Life & Student Housing at Southern Methodist University Date of the Year Award Nominee Department of Residence Life & Student Housing at Southern Methodist University	2022 allas, Texas
Department of World Languages and Literatures at Southern Methodist University Date of the Date of th	allas, Texas

2025

Department of Residence Life & Student Housing at Southern Methodist University Dallas, Texas

Provost's Teaching Recognition Award Nominee 2018

Department of World Languages and Literatures at Southern Methodist University

Dallas, Texas

Provost's Teaching Recognition Award Nominee

Department of World Languages and Literatures at Southern Methodist University

Dallas, Texas

Outstanding Alumnus 2005

Department of Foreign Languages and Literature at University of North Texas Denton, Texas