Keith A. Moser
Curriculum Vitae

Department of Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures
1500 Lee Hall
Mississippi State, MS 39762
Mississippi State University

EDUCATION

Ph.D.  Department of Modern Foreign Languages & Literatures, The University of Tennessee, 2007
Concentration: French Literature (20th and 21st century)
Minor: Applied Linguistics

M.A.  Department of Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University, 2002
Concentration: French and Francophone Literatures

M.A.T.  Department of Curriculum and Instruction, East Tennessee State University, 2001
Concentration: Secondary Education
Minor: French

B.A.  Department of Literature and Language, East Tennessee State University, 1999
Major: French
Department of History, East Tennessee State University, 1999
Major: History

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2018-present  Professor of French and Francophone Studies, Mississippi State University

2014-2018  Associate Professor of French and Francophone Studies, Mississippi State University

2008-2014  Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies, Mississippi State University

2007-2008  Visiting Assistant Professor of French, Mississippi State University

PUBLICATIONS

Research Interests

20th/21st Century French and Francophone Literature
J.M.G. Le Clézio, Albert Camus, Michel Tournier, Georges Perec, Jean Giono, Malcolm
de Chazal, Driss Chraïbi, Pierre Rabhi, Zahia Rahmani, Dalila Kerchouche, and Fatima Besnaci-Lancou

**Continental Philosophy**
Michel Serres, Jean Baudrillard, Jacques Derrida, Michel Foucault, Michel Onfray, Edgar Morin, Bruno Latour, Gérard Gouesbet, and Dominique Lestel

**Social Justice**
Postmodern sociology, economic exploitation, immigration, migration studies, poverty, neoliberalism, Maghrebi/Harki literature, popular culture and social control, media semiotics, Monster Theory, and the Philosophy of Imagination

**Ecological Justice**
Environmental Humanities, Ecocriticism, Environmental Philosophy, Ecolinguistics, Biosemiotics, Environmental History, the Philosophy of Science, and Postmodern Ecology

**Authored Books (4)**


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*Choice* 2013 50(7): 1251, by F.E. Nicholson

2008


Reviewed in: *French Studies* 2009 63(4): 494, by Edouard Ousselin

*Les Cahiers Le Clézio* 2009 (2): 250-252, by Bruno Thibault

*Reference and Research Book News* November 2008: 260, author not provided

**Edited Books (4)**

2020


*Enthymema: Revista Internazionale di Critica* 2021 (28): 1-11, by Carlo Alessandro Caccia

2020

*The Metaphor of the Monster: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Understanding the Monstrous Other in Literature* (co-editor with Karina Zelaya), Bloomsbury Academic, 2020.


2014


2012


*Dalhousie French Studies* 2012 (100): 130-132, by Ook Chung
**Articles in Refereed Journals (79)**

**In press**
- Le Clézio’s ‘Monster island:’ The Derridean ‘Monstrosity of the Unrecognizable.’” *Romance Notes*, forthcoming.

**2022**

**2021**
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2016 “The Baudrillardian ‘discourse of the good’: Writing a Cinematic Script to Seduce the Masses into Embracing a Simulated War in the Film Wag the Dog.” 

2016 “The Decentered, Ecocentric Humanism of Pierre Rabhi in *La Part du Colibri*.”

2016 “Spam, J.M.G. Le Clézio’s ‘Petite Madeleine’?” 

2016 “The Curious Case of Le Clézio’s Adam Pollo: Searching For an Existential Cure for the Clinical Disorder of Consumerism?”

2015 “Is Preserving Indigenous Languages and Cultures the Key to Avoiding the Impending Eco-Apocalypse?: An Ecological Reading of Le Clézio’s *Le Rêve Mexicain*”


2015/2018 “An Ecological, Scientific, and Serresian Interpretation of Communication: The Importance of (Re)-Conceptualizing Language From a More Ecocentric Perspective.”

2015/2018 “Reexamining Jean Giono’s Ecocentric, Decentered Philosophy in the Pan Trilogy.”


2015 “The Ethical Summons Extended by Le Clézio’s ‘Martin’ and Other Casualties of Peer-Victimization.”

2015 “Deconstructing Consumerist Signs in an Era of Information: The Post-Semiotic Philosophy of Michel Serres and Jean Baudrillard.”

2014 “The Fiction of Michel Serres: Writing the Beauty, Fragility, and Complexity of the Universe.”

2014 “The Eco-Philosophy of Michel Serres and J.M.G. Le Clézio: Launching a Battle Cry to Save the Imperiled Earth.”


**Book Chapters (30)**


2018 “Claude Lanzmann.” Contemporary Literary Criticism. Ed. Lawrence J. }
Moser


2017

2017

2015

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2011

Reprinted Book Chapters (1)

2018

Professional Interviews in Peer-Reviewed Publications (2)

2012

2012
comparées, 2012: 305-307

Personal Interviews in Peer-Reviewed Publications (1)

2020 “Interview with Dr. Keith Moser.” Andrew Currie. Curious Parallels: An Examination of Terms and Concepts Shared Between Biology and Linguistics and Their Relevance to the Study of Languages. University of Wales Trinity Saint David, PhD dissertation, pp. 73-76.

Peer-Reviewed Translations (7)


Poems in Peer-Reviewed Journals (4)


2022 “Home (Like a Shell).” Language & Ecology (March 2022): n.p. https://www.ecoling.net/_files/ugd/ae088a_257acce83b3c4c5296e6c0e441eb2bc2.pdf


Non-Refereed Journal Articles (1)


Book Reviews (16)


Podcasts

2021 Interview with the journalist Leigh Giangreco about *Imagination and Art: Explorations in Contemporary Theory*, *Humanities Matter*, 29 July 2021. [https://blog.brill.com/humanitiesmatter/keith_moser_imagination_and_art.html](https://blog.brill.com/humanitiesmatter/keith_moser_imagination_and_art.html)

HONORS AND AWARDS

2023 Marquis Who’s Who in America
2019 College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Research Award, Mississippi State University
2019 Invited panelist for the “Communicating Migrant Identity Panel” with the Syrian artist Mohamad Hafez, September 30.
2011 State Pride Faculty Award recipient, Mississippi State University
2010 Humanities Teacher of the Year, Mississippi Humanities Council
2010 State Pride Faculty Award recipient, Mississippi State University
2010 Invited volunteer/assistant (received personal invitation from J.M.G. Le Clézio) for the “Fondation pour l’interculturel et la paix, Mauritius, May 2010
2010 Jury member for the *Prix Littéraire Jean-Fanchette* (presided by J.M.G. Le Clézio), Mauritius, May.
2009 Organizer and promoter of the campus visit of J.M.G. Le Clézio. Mississippi State University, March 28-April 4.
2009 Researcher of the Month, Mississippi State University, September.
2006 Modern Foreign Languages GTA Teaching Excellence Award, The University of Tennessee
2004 Normandy Scholars Assistant / French Interpreter, The University of Tennessee, Summer
2000 French Study Abroad Assistant, Accent Paris Study Center, East Tennessee State University, Summer

Chaired Sessions

2018 “The Ecological Implications of the Metaphor of the Monster.” The Metaphor of the Monster, Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures (CMLL) Bi-
Annual Symposium, Mississippi State University, September 21-22.

2018
“Pathogens, Parasites, Psychopaths: The Medicalization of Monsters.” The Metaphor of the Monster, Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures (CMLL) Bi-Annual Symposium, Mississippi State University, September 21-22.

2018

2018
(Untitled panel). Ecocriticism 2018-International Conference on Literature, Arts and Ecological Environment, Green Lines Institute for Sustainable Development in Cooperation with CLEPUL (University of Lisbon), Porto, Portugal, March 14-16.

2017
(Untitled panel). Irish Philosophical Society, “Humans & Other Animals.”
Carlow College, Ireland, November 3-4.

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2010
(Untitled panel). “J.M.G. Le Clézio dans la forêt des paradoxes.” Mississippi State University, April 23-25.

2009

Invited Speeches

2019
“Rethinking Language Within the Larger Biosemiotic Web of Communication Through Maritime Encounters in Michel Serres’s Late Philosophy.” Maritime

2018

2013
“Two Literary Texts That Concretize the Goals of the ‘Harki Spring’: Taking Aim at the Nefarious Effects of Institutional Silence.” Translation and Asylum Claims: Matters of Law, Language and Silence. Miscommunication and Silence: Problems and Potential Solutions (Session). The University of Glasgow, United Kingdom, June 14 (all expenses paid by The University of Glasgow).

2012

2012

Conference Presentations

2022

2018
“Maitriser le prédateur dedans: La vision post-Darwinienne de Jean-Marie Pelt et Michel Serres d’une écologie de paix à l’ère Anthropocène.” Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference (MIFLC), The University of Tennessee, October 4-6.

2018

2017
“A Biocentric Reading of Francis Cabrel’s ‘La Corrida’ From the Lens of Michel Onfray’s Cosmos.” Irish Philosophical Society, “Humans & Other Animals.” Carlow College, Ireland, November 3-4.

2017

2016

2015
“L’Ecart entre le rêve ‘hyper-réel’ des immigrés africains et la sombre réalité dans
l’œuvre de Le Clézio.” Conseil International d’Etudes Francophones, Winnipeg, Canada, June 8-12.
2010 “Le paradoxe du langage ou le ‘terrible privilège’ de l’humanité chez J.M.G. Le Clézio,” J.M.G. Le Clézio dans la forêt des paradoxes, Mississippi State University, April 23.
2010 “Teaching Le Clézio and his Forest of Paradoxes,” Northeast Modern Language Association, Montreal, Quebec, April 9.
2009 “The Poignant Combination of Beauty and Horror in the Aesthetic Representations of the Holocaust in Lanzmann’s Shoah and Le Clézio’s Etoile Errante” Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association, Snowbird, Utah.
2008 “La Musique comme Expérience Sensorielle,” Conseil International d’Etudes
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Francophones, University of Limoges, France, July.

Campus Talks


TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2007-present Mississippi State University

Graduate Seminars (selected)

French Environmental Discourse
Representations of Consumerism in French & Francophone Literature
Introduction to Eco linguistics (taught in English)
Introduction to Biosemiotics (taught in English, fully online)
Introduction to Literary Criticism (taught in English, postmodern focus)
20th Century French Short Stories and Essays
The French Novel Since 1945
20th Century French Theater
French Environmental Writing
French New Novel
La Condition Humaine/The Human Condition
French Maghreb Novel
French Harki Literature

Undergraduate Survey Courses

Survey of French Literature I
Survey of French Literature II
Language Courses

Elementary French I
Elementary French II
Intermediate French I
Intermediate French II
Honors French

SERVICE (selected)

Peer Review

2022-present Manuscript reviewer, *Etudes françaises*
2017-present Book reviewer, *Pacific Coast Philology*
2016-present Manuscript reviewer, *Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature and Environment* (ISLE)
2016-present Book reviewer, *Contemporary French Civilization*
2016-present Manuscript reviewer, *Expressions maghrébines*
2016-present Manuscript reviewer, *Australian Journal of French Studies*
2015-present Book reviewer, *French Review*
2015-present Manuscript reviewer, *Navein Reet: Nordic Journal of Law and Social Research*
2015-present Manuscript reviewer, *Literature and Medicine* (Johns Hopkins UP)
2015-present Manuscript reviewer, *Shima: The International Journal of Research into Island Cultures*
2014-present Manuscript reviewer, *Romance Notes*
2014-present Manuscript reviewer, *Christianity and Literature*
2013-present Book reviewer, *Dalhousie French Studies*

Professional Service

2018-present Member of the editorial board, *Bloomsbury Advances in Ecolinguistics*. Eds. Arran Stibbe and Mariana Roccia, Bloomsbury Publishing
2015-2018 Vice-President of the Association des lecteurs de Le Clézio / Association of Le Clézio readers
2015-2018 Member of the Conseil administratif of the Association des lecteurs de Le Clézio / Association of Le Clézio readers
2017-present Member of the editorial board, *Journal of Comparative Literature and Aesthetics*
2017-present Steering committee member, International Ecolinguistics Association
2017-present French and Francophone Studies Subject Representative, International Ecolinguistics Association
2017-2018 Member of the scientific committee, Ecocriticism 2018-International Conference on Literature, Arts and Ecological Environment, Green Lines Institute for Sustainable Development in Cooperation with CLEPUL (University of Lisbon), Porto, Portugal, March 14-16.
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2017-2018 Member of the scientific committee, Congress on Popular and Media Cultures (Littératures populaires et culture médiatique), Paris, France.
2016-2017 Steering committee member, Critical Approaches to Popular Narratives in a Transnational Perspective: A Proposal for an International Congress conference, Paris, France, 2018
2003-2007 Secretary, Française, Knoxville, TN

University Service

2021-present Faculty Research Advisory Council, Mississippi State University
2019-2020 College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Mentor Program, Mississippi State University
2019 Invited panelist for the “Communicating Migrant Identity Panel” with the Syrian artist Mohamad Hafez, September 30.
2014-2016 Middle Eastern Studies UISFL grant committee member, Mississippi State University
2014-2015 French Film Festival co-organizer, Mississippi Institute for the Humanities, Mississippi State University
2012-present Mississippi Institute for the Humanities Advisory Committee member, Mississippi State University
2011-2016 Oral proficiency level diagnostics for Foreign Language Education students, Mississippi State University
2011-2016 French section liaison/mentor for Foreign Language Education students, Mississippi State University
2011-2013 International Business Advisory Committee member, Mississippi State University
2011-2013 “Speaking for Teachers” conversation table-French section liaison for Foreign Language Education students, Mississippi State University

Departmental Service

2022 Member of the CMLL Department Head Search Committee, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2021 Chair of the French Lecturer Search Committee, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2020-2021 Chair of the French Instructor Search Committee, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2018-present Chair of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2018-Present Institutional Effectiveness Reporting Task Force, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2018-present Co-chair of the Governance Document Task Force, Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures, Mississippi State University
2017 Co-chair of the Business Manager Search Committee, Classical and Modern Languages & Literatures, Mississippi State University
2014-2017 Graduate coordinator (3-year appointment), Classical and Modern Languages & Literatures, Mississippi State University
2016-2017 Chair of the French Instructor Search Committee, Classical and Modern Languages & Literatures, Mississippi State University
2016 Chair of the Ad-hoc French Lecturer Search Committee, Classical and Modern Languages & Literatures, Mississippi State University
2014-2016 Chair, online instruction committee, Classical and Modern Languages & Literatures, Mississippi State University
2013 Community/Junior Colleges Curriculum Alignment Meeting (Foreign Languages), Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi, November 15.
2012 Chair of the CMLL B.A./M.A. split-level courses committee, Mississippi State University
2011 Chair of the CMLL CIP Code/SACS Committee, Mississippi State University
2011 Chair of Assistant Professor of French Search Committee, Mississippi State University
2010-2011 Chair of the French Textbook Committee, Mississippi State University
2010 Chair of the Le Clézio International Colloquium committee, Mississippi State University
2010-2016 GTA scholarship committee member, Mississippi State University
2009-2012 French Club faculty liaison, Mississippi State University
2009-2010 Director of the International Language House, Mississippi State University
2009 Promoted and implemented a “pilot program” for Non-Traditional French Graduate Students
2008-2014 French Section Chair, Mississippi State University (section chair positions in French, Spanish, and German were eliminated in 2014)
2008-present CMLL curriculum committee member, Mississippi State University
2008-2014 CMLL executive committee member, Mississippi State University
2007-2013 Promoted and implemented a French language table for students of all ability levels, Mississippi State University

Visiting Scholars Sponsored

2020 Arindam Chakrabarti, Professor of Philosophy, Nirmal K. and Augustina Mattoo Endowed Chair in Classical Indic Studies, Stony Brook University, presentation and round-table discussion with advanced French students, Mississippi State University, February 12-15.
2019 Anne Quinney, Professor of French, The University of Mississippi, presentation and round-table discussion with advanced French students, Mississippi State University, October 2-4.
2016 Louise Dupré, French-Canadian writer, bilingual book reading and round-table discussion with advanced French students, Mississippi State University, November 9.

2010 Bruno Doucée, French poet, literary critic, and executive director of the éditions Seghers, keynote speaker of the international colloquium entitled “J.M.G. Le Clézio dans la forêt des paradoxes,” Mississippi State University, April 22-26.

2010 Bruno Thibault, Professor at the University of Delaware and co-organizer of the international colloquium entitled “J.M.G. Le Clézio dans la forêt des paradoxes,” Mississippi State University, April 22-26.

2009 J.M.G. Le Clézio, The 2008 Nobel Laureate in Literature, Mississippi State University, March 28-April 4, 2009

2009 Vinesh Hookoomsing, Former Pro Vice Chancellor of The University of Mauritius, Mississippi State University, March 2008

Community Outreach

2019 Co-teaching of weekly French mini lessons for three-year old class, Child Development and Family Studies Center, Mississippi State University

2011 Personal interview with MSU student journalist Kelli Conrad related to “la Fondation pour l’interculturel et la paix,” published by Vision, a publication of the College of Arts & Sciences, Mississippi State University

2010 Personal interview with a local newspaper (Starkville Daily News) related to the 2010 Humanities Teacher of the Year award

2010 Published an article with a local newspaper (Starkville Daily News) related to Mississippi State University’s active role in “la Fondation pour l’interculturel et la paix” entitled “MSU Plays Pivotal Role in Launching of New Humanitarian Effort.” May 31.

2010 Published an article with a local newspaper (Starkville Daily News) related to the Le Clézio international symposium entitled “Mississippi State Goes Global with International Conference.” April 28.

2009 Promoted and implemented a “pilot program” for Non-Traditional French Graduate Students

2009 Published an article with a local newspaper related to the J.M.G. Le Clézio campus visit entitled “A bientôt mon ami Jean-Marie Gustave Le Clézio.”

2008 Published an article with a local newspaper related to the J.M.G. Le Clézio campus visit entitled “The historic visit of J.M.G. Le Clézio in perspective.”

LANGUAGES

French: Near Native
English: Native
German: Reading ability
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2017-present International Ecolinguistics Association
2014-present Association for the Study of Literature and Environment
2012-present American Association of Teachers of French
2010-present L’Association des lecteurs de Le Clézio
2010-present Conseil International d’Etudes Francophones
2007-present Modern Language Association
2001-present Pi Delta Phi (French Honor Society)