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Teaching Fellow in French

Profile

Biography

I have experience teaching across a number of areas in French studies to learners from a variety of backgrounds. Before joining the Department of Language and Linguistic Science in October 2013, I worked at the Lao National University (Laos) and the University of Limerick (Ireland) where I designed, delivered and assessed new courses in French and Francophone literature, culture, linguistics, French for specific-purposes (Applied Languages, Business, Law, Politics, Engineering, Medicine, and Equine Science) and also trained teachers of French working in primary and secondary schools. My research interests include: French studies, Computer-Assisted Language Learning (CALL), Applied Linguistics, and Intercultural Communicative Competence.

Career

- 2008-2012: Part-time tutor, School of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication, University of Limerick.
- 2006-2008: *Lectrice* in French, Department of Languages and Cultural Studies, University of Limerick.
- 2005-2006: French teacher, Department of Languages and Cultural Studies, University of Limerick.
- 2005-2008: French teacher, Language Centre, University of Limerick.
- May-August 2005 French teacher and teaching resource designer, Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie, Lao National University.
- 2002-2003: *Lingua*, Department of Languages and Cultural Studies, University of Limerick.

Education

- 2013: PhD in French studies, Applied Linguistics and Social Media (University of Limerick, Ireland)
- 2006: MA (Honours) in Language Policy, Plurilingualism, Information and Communication Technologies, and Teaching French as a Foreign Language (University of Angers, France)
- 2004: BA (Honours) in English Language, Literature and Culture (University of Angers, France)

Awards and fundings

- President's Voluntary Gold Award in recognition of my voluntary commitment to the University's Photographic Society, President Voluntary Award Ceremony, University of Limerick, October 2012.
- Best Presentation Award, CALL Conference 2012 'The Medium Matters', Providence University, Taichung, Taiwan, May 2012.
- First prize for Best Poster Presentation, ISSP Doctoral Colloquium, NUI Galway, October 2011.
- Best Presentation Award, CALL Conference 2010 'Motivation and Beyond', University of Antwerp, Belgium, August 2010.
- PhD Scholarship (2008-2012), Irish Social Sciences Platform (ISSP), September 2008.



Teaching

Undergraduate

- [French language and society I \(F03C\)](#)
- LFA French Lev

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Publications

Full publication: list

- Le Baron-Earle, (2012), 'Social media and the acquisition of intercultural communicative competence: A focus on discussion forums' in Alde Diez, P., Incalcaterra McLoughlin, L., Dhonnachadha, and Ni Uigin, D eds., *Translating Technology and Autonomy in Language Teaching and Learning*, Peter Lang, 297-315.
- Rodgers, O., Chambers, A. & Le Baron-Earle, (2011) 'Corpora: the LSP classroom: A learner-centred corpus of French biotechnologist' *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics*, (special issue on Applied Corpus Linguistics)
- Le Baron-Earle, (2011), 'Quality Language and Culture Teaching

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Memberships

- ▶ Cult-Net World
[http://cultnetw
wordpress.com](http://cultnetw
wordpress.com)
- ▶ European
Association for
Computer-Assis

Language Learning
(EuroCALL):
<http://www.euro-languages.org>

- ▶ The Computer Assisted Language Instruction Consortium (CALICO):
<https://www.calico.org/>
- ▶ Irish Social Sciences Platform (ISSP):
<http://www.issp.ie/>
- ▶ Centre for Applied Language Studies (CALS):
<http://www3.ucc/cals/english.e.shtml>
- ▶ Institute for the Study of Knowledge in Society (ISKS)
<http://www3.ucc/ks/>

Invited talks and conferences

- ▶ Le Baron-Earle, (2014) "Learning writing in an intercultural exchange: Descriptive and prescriptive approaches" presented at the Telecollaborative University Foreign Language Education conference, University of León, Spain, February
- ▶ Le Baron-Earle, (2012) "Situating

learning in an online collaborative project: How university language students use and learn from social media" paper presented at the Eurocall 2012 conference, University of Göteborg, Sweden August.

- ▶ Le Baron-Earle, (2012) "Online intercultural learning: Analysis and dissemination of the research paper presented at the ISSP-CALS Postgraduate Colloquium "Language-in-education policy and practice", University of Limerick, Limerick, Ireland, September.
- ▶ Le Baron-Earle, (2012) "Intercultural authoring tools in French as a foreign language classroom: Investigating how the medium matters", paper presented at the C conference 2012 Providence University, Taichung, Taiwan, May.
- ▶ Le Baron-Earle, (2010) "The Use of Virtual Learning Environments in Language and

Culture Teaching
a Focus on
Discussion
Forums", paper
presented at the
1st International
Language
Conference:
Translation,
Technology and
Autonomy in
Language Teaching
and Learning, NUI
Galway, Galway
Ireland, December

- ▶ Le Baron, F.
(2010) "Using
wikis: Motivational
and anxiety issues
met by third-level
students", paper
presented at the
Antwerp CALL
conference 2010
Linguapolis,
Antwerp, Belgium
August 2010.