

Lisa Brittingham

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Education

Ph.D. in French SLATE

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana-Champaign, IL
Dissertation title: *The Relationship between a Musical Background and French Pronunciation for Adult Novice Learners: A Mixed Methods Study*

Committee Members: A. Mroz (chair), Z. Fagyal, R. Shosted, and X. Yan

Thesis Deposited June 11, 2024

M.A. in French

Illinois State University, Normal, IL

- Primary Concentration in Pedagogy
- Secondary Concentration in Linguistics

2003

B.A. in Music and French, *magna cum laude*

Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL

1983

Teaching

Lecturer in the French and Italian Department

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL

- Teaching 3 sections of Italian 101

2024-present

Course Coordinator for French 2, 3, and 4

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL

- Oversee 9 sections of 2 different classes each semester, 9 teaching assistants, 130 students.
- Prepare course syllabi for teaching assistants prior to the start of courses.
- Update course websites in Moodle, both prior to and throughout the semester.
- Regularly communicate course expectations, procedures, and policies to teaching assistants and students.
- Schedule and facilitate course meetings with teaching assistants.
- Guide teaching assistants in developing summative assessments throughout the semester.
- Conducted a quiz writing workshop.

2022-2024

Teaching Assistant

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL

- Taught elementary and intermediate French.
- Planned lessons and assignments, graded papers and exams.
- Transitioned from in-person instruction to online teaching mid-semester.
- Worked on a team to re-write the French proficiency and placement exams.
- Substituted for French 207 – Writing and Grammar Workshop.

2019-present

Illinois State University, Normal, IL

- Taught elementary French.

2001-2003

Visiting Instructor

Knox College, Galesburg, IL

- Taught elementary and intermediate French.
- Taught French conversation and French theatre.

2017-2018

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French Instructor **2015-2017**
Heartland Community College, Normal, IL
• Instructed novice adult learners in a community language program.

Adjunct Instructor
Taught elementary and intermediate French.
• *Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL* **2004-2014**
• *Bradley University, Peoria, IL* **2006-2011**
• *Illinois State University, Normal, IL* **Fall 2005**

Taught elementary French.
• *Heartland Community College, Normal, IL* **2004**

Professional Training

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Modified Oral Proficiency Interview (MOPI) Workshop **2023**
Yorkville High School Academy, Yorkville, Illinois
• Examined Oral Proficiency Interviews (OPIs) according to ACTFL standards.
• Learned the protocol for conducting OPIs.

Familiarisation à la méthodologie de l'enseignement du Français sur Objectifs du Français sur Objectifs Spécifiques (FOS) appliquée à différents domaines et professions **2023**
Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) Paris Ile-de-France Education, Portland, Maine
• Assessed the language needs and intercultural needs of activities in professional French.
• Created and implemented lessons in professional French.

Creating Accessible Documents in Word Processing and Presentation Software **2023**
The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – LibCal and Spaces – Savvy Researcher.
• Learned various strategies for making documents more accessible.
• Created accessible documents.

French Advanced Placement Exam Reader **2007-Present**
• Evaluated interpersonal speaking samples.
• Evaluated presentational speaking samples.
• Evaluated interpersonal writing samples.
• Evaluated presentational writing samples.

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Research

Publications

Brittingham, L. (2023). Musical Background and French Pronunciation: A Mixed Methods Study. *2023 Report of the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages*, 103-123.
<https://www.csctfl.org/about/central-states-report>

Presentations

Brittingham, L. (March 14-16, 2024). *The Intriguing Relationship of Music and Pronunciation*. CSCTFL Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Brittingham, L. (July 23-26, 2023). *The Intriguing Relationship of Music and Pronunciation*. AATF Conference, Trois Rivières, Québec.

Brittingham, L. (May 2022). *The Relationship Between Musical Training and Intelligibility in French pronunciation for Novice Adult Learners*, SLATE Poster Symposium, The University of Urbana-Champaign, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois.

Grants and Awards

SLATE Conference Travel Award - \$250

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) – Second Language Acquisition Teacher Education Program (SLATE). **2023**
• Awarded for presentation at a conference.

K.A. Looney Senior Award for Excellence in Teaching French - \$250

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) – Department of French and Italian (FRIT). **2023**
• Awarded for excellence in teaching.

Knudson Fellowship - \$5,000

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) – Department of French and Italian (FRIT). **2023**
• Awarded to continue research.

Departmental Fellowship 2022 - \$3,000

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) – Department of French and Italian (FRIT). **2022**
• Awarded to continue research.

Reed Fellowship – \$4,000

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) – College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) – Department of French and Italian (FRIT). **2021**
• Awarded to continue research.

Montserrat Vilarrubla Award for Excellence in Teaching

Illinois State University, Department of Foreign Languages **2002-2003**
• Awarded for excellence in teaching.

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References

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