

Yale Department of French

CAREER PLACEMENT

The Yale French Department supports its students entering the job market with a complete and energetic program of training and advising. An organizational meeting is held at the end of the spring semester to prepare candidates for the process that begins in the fall.

The Director of Graduate Studies is the Departmental Placement Officer. Working with a faculty committee and with each student's dissertation director, the DGS oversees all aspects of placement and advises students at each stage. This includes the preparation of all documents (letter, CV, dissertation abstract, syllabi, statement of teaching philosophy, etc.). The DGS is also able to review dossiers of recommendations before they are sent out. Once application materials are finished, the focus of the program shifts to performative skills, including job talks and rehearsals for interviews.

In the fall of each year, the Director of Graduate Studies offers an official training course for candidates, "Seminar on the Profession," available only to French department students who are on the job market.

The Yale Graduate School also provides a generous program of support and advising for job candidates. Students should avail themselves of those resources in order to gain a broader perspective, but the departmental support system should remain the prime focus. See Graduate Career Services: <https://gsas.yale.edu/resources-students/career-support-development>

Yale French Department alumni are to be found at a wide variety of institutions throughout the United States and beyond. They include numerous leaders in French and Francophone studies. The list below includes some graduates from recent years.

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2019 RESULTS:

Jennifer Carr: Instructor of French in the Department of Modern Languages & Classics at University of Alabama

2018 RESULTS:

Catherine Chiabaut: Education Analyst for the Robertson Foundation

Robyn Pront: Visiting Assistant Professor in French at Connecticut College

Usha Rungoo: Assistant Professor of French in at Language and Cultures Department at State University of New York (SUNY) Purchase

2017 RESULTS:

Elizabeth Hebbard: Assistant Professor of French at Indiana University

Laura Jensen: Lecturer in French Studies at Smith College

2016 RESULTS:

Nathalie Batrville: Postdoctoral Fellow at Dartmouth's Society of Fellows

Colin Foss: Assistant Professor of French at Austin College in Sherman, Texas

Annabel Kim (Provost's Postdoctoral Associate at Duke University): Assistant Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard University

Kristin Graves Okoli (formerly Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow at Tulane): Assistant Professor of French, African and African American Studies, and Gender Studies at the University of Central Arkansas

Annie de Saussure: Visiting Assistant Professor of French at Lafayette University

2015 RESULTS:

Julie Elsky (formerly visiting Assistant Professor at MIT): Assistant Professor of French, Loyola University Chicago

Clémentine Fauré-Bellaïche: Assistant Professor of French, Brandeis University

Benjamin Hoffmann: Assistant Professor of French, The Ohio State University.

Dustin Hooten: Software Engineer, CA Technologies

Selected Alumni: PhD's since 2003

Joseph Acquisto (PhD 2003), Professor of French, University of Vermont

James Austin (PhD 2003), Associate Professor of French and Film, Connecticut College

Jeffrey Boyd (PhD 2007), Organizing Director, Unite HERE

Jonathan Cayer (PhD 2012), Fellowship Instructor in World Languages, Literature & Culture, Augustana College, Rock Island (MI)

Roxanna Curto (PhD 2008), Associate Professor of French, University of Iowa

Marina Jill Davies (PhD 2005), Faculty, New York University in Paris; Colby College

Julia Elsky (PhD 2014), Visiting Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies (fall 2014), University of West Florida ; and Visiting Scholar of French Studies (spring 2015), MIT

Alexandra Gueydan (PhD 2008), Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies, Swarthmore College

Bettina Lerner (PhD 2004), Assistant Professor of French, CUNY

Mary Anne Lewis (PhD 2013), Assistant Professor of French & Francophone Studies, Ohio Wesleyan University

Anne Linton (PhD 2011) Assistant Professor of French, San Francisco State University

Brian Reilly, (PhD 2008), Assistant Professor of French, Fordham University

Joseph Mai (PhD 2004), Associate Professor of French, Clemson University

Laure Marcellesi (PhD 2008), Assistant Professor of French, Dartmouth College

Ryan Poynter (PhD 2006), Assistant Vice Provost for Undergraduate Academic Affairs, New York University

Erin Ponnou-Delafon Tremblay (PhD 2011), Assistant Professor of French, Illinois State University

Chapman Wing (PhD 2013), Assistant Professor of French, CUNY-Staten Island