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Curriculum Vitae

Current position:

Professor, French language and literature; French Studies; School of Humanities, University of Iceland

Area of specialisation:

French medieval literature, French short-story, translations from French to Icelandic, reception of French literature in Iceland

Academic education:

1990 DEUG Lettres modernes, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3

1991 Licence Lettres modernes, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3

1992 Maîtrise Lettres modernes, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3

1993 DEA, Centre de recherche sur l'imaginaire, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3

1997 Doctorat (Nouveau Régime), Centre de recherche sur l'imaginaire, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3

Dissertation: *La voix du cor. La relique de Roncevaux et l'origine d'un motif dans la littérature du Moyen Âge (XIIe - XIVe siècles).*

Supervisor: Philippe Walter

Academic employment:

1997-2000 Part-time teacher, Department of Romance and Classical Languages, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Iceland

2000-2003 Assistant Professor of French, Department of Romance and Classical Languages, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Iceland

2004-2009 Associate Professor of French, Department of Romance and Classical Languages, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Iceland

2010- Professor of French, Department of Romance and Classical Languages, School of Humanities, University of Iceland

Academic service, administration and other:

- 1999 One of two of Iceland's representatives in the jury for the European Aristeion prize (Literature/Translation)
- 2000- Head, French/French Studies, Department of Romance and Classical Languages, University of Iceland
- 2003-2007 Chair, Icelandic Fund for Translation
- 2003-2008 Academic Affairs Committee
- 2006-2013 Evaluation committee, Faculty of Philosophy/School of Humanities, University of Iceland
- 2008- Member of the editorial board of *Milli mála*, Journal of Foreign Languages and Culture (Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, University of Iceland)
- 2009-2011 Co-editor of *Ritið*, Journal of the Institute of Humanities (University of Iceland)
- 2011-2017 Member of the editorial board of *Ritið*, Journal of the Institute of Humanities (University of Iceland)
- 2008-2010 Vice head, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Literature and Linguistics, School of Humanities, University of Iceland
- 2010-2012 Head, Faculty of Foreign Languages, School of Humanities, University of Iceland
- 2011-2014 Scientific Evaluation Committee, School of Humanities, representative of the Faculty of Foreign Languages
- 2014 Co-organiser of the Scandinavian Romanists' Congress, August 12-15 2014, University of Iceland
- 2014- Member of the Board of Vigdís International Centre for Multilingualism and Intercultural Understanding, University of Iceland
- 2017-2020 Science Ethics Committee, main representative of the School of Humanities, University of Iceland
- 2018- Member, Board of Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute for Foreign Languages, University of Iceland

- 2018- Chair, Board of Vigdís International Centre for Multilingualism and Intercultural Understanding, University of Iceland
- 2020 The Icelandic Translators' Prize, Chair of selection committee
- 2020 Guest editor of volume 3/2020 of *Ritið*, Journal of the Institute of Humanities (University of Iceland)

Scholarships, research grants:

- 1986 Spanish Government
- 1988-1996 French Government
- 1997-2000 Rannís – Icelandic Centre for Research
- 2000 University of Iceland Research Fund
- 2006 University of Iceland Research Fund
- 2013 University of Iceland Research Fund
- 2014 University of Iceland Research Fund
- 2018-2020 University of Iceland Research Fund
- 2020 Áslaug Hafliðadóttir's Fund

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

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La voix du cor. La relique de Roncevaux et l'origine d'un motif dans la littérature du Moyen Âge (XIIe - XIVe siècles). Amsterdam-Atlanta: Rodopi, coll. Internationale Forschungen zur Allgemeinen und Vergleichenden Literaturwissenschaft 31, 1998.

Hugmyndasaga og tungumál. Co-authored with Geir Sigurðsson, Þórhallur Eyþórsson and Matthew Whelpton. Reykjavík: Háskólaprent, 2019.

Language and History of Ideas. Co-authored with Geir Sigurðsson, Þórhallur Eyþórsson and Matthew Whelpton. Reykjavík: Háskólaprent, 2019. (English version of *Hugmyndasaga and tungumál*)

Translations

Quatre sagas légendaires d'Islande. Grenoble: Ellug (Moyen âge européen), 2002. Revised edition forthcoming 2021.

La géante dans la barque de pierre et autres contes d'Islande. Translated with Jean Renaud. Paris: Editions José Corti (Merveilleux n°21), 2003.

Lise Tremblay. *Hegravarþið (La héronnière)*. Translated with Davíð Steinn Davíðsson and Linda Rós Arnarsdóttir. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, University of Iceland Press, 2007.

Albert Camus. *Útlendingurinn – L'Étranger*. Bilingual Edition. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, University of Iceland Press, 2008.

Chrétien de Troyes. *Perceval eða Sagan um gralinn*. Reykjavík: Hið íslenska bókmenntafélag, 2010. (*Le conte du graal*)

Madame de Lafayette. “*Greifsynjan af Tende*“. *Milli mála* 3/2011, 209-223. (*La comtesse de Tende*)

La Petite Saga de Tristan et autres sagas islandaises inspirées de la matière de Bretagne. Translated with Hélène Tétrel. Brest: Centre de Recherche Bretonne et Celtique, 2012.

“*Ignauve - Ljóðsaga frá 13. öld*“. *Milli mála* 4/2012, 297-308. (*Lai d'Ignaure*)

Michel de Montaigne. “*Af mannætum*“. *Milli mála* 5/2013, 317-330. (“*Des cannibales*”).

“*Sagan um refinn (3. hluti)*“. *Milli mála* 7/2015, 369-382. (*Le roman de Renart, branche 3*)

Albert Camus. *Rangan og réttan – Brúðkaup – Sumar*. Þrjú ritgerðasöfn. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, 2015. (*L'envers et l'endroit – Noces – L'été*)
Nominated for the Icelandic Translators' Prize.

Michel de Montaigne. “*Að iðka heimspeki er ígildi þess að læra að deyja*“. *Milli mála* 8/2016. (“*Philosopher, c'est apprendre à mourir*”)

Yanick Lahens. “*Og öll þessi vanlíðan*“. *Smásögur heimsins: Rómanska Ameríka*. Reykjavík: Bjartur, 2017, 293-297. (“*Et tout ce malaise*”).

Gisèle Pineau. “*Amélie og anolieðlurnar*“. *Smásögur heimsins: Rómanska Ameríka*. Reykjavík: Bjartur, 2017, 277-290. (“*Amélie et les anolis*”).

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Assia Djebar. “*Annie og Fatima (saga)*“. *Smásögur heimsins. Afríka*. Reykjavík: Bjartur, 2019. (“*Annie et Fatima (récit)*”)

Sembene Ousmane. “*Dagarnir hennar þrír*“. *Smásögur heimsins. Afríka*. Reykjavík: Bjartur, 2019.

Matéo Maximoff. “Dúkka Mameligu”, “Ekkja Chandiris”, “Sígauaást”, “Sagan um Diordi Zachari”. *Sunnudagsmatur og fleiri sögur Rómabólks*, Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages/University of Iceland Press, 2020. (“La poupée de Mameliga”, “La pivli de Chandiri”, “L’amour chez les Tziganes”, “L’histoire de Diordi Zachari”)

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- “Les points cardinaux dans la mythologie scandinave d’après l’*Edda* de Snorri Sturluson”. *Imaginaire des points cardinaux. Aux quatre angles du monde*. Actes du colloque international du Centre de Recherche sur l’Imaginaire, Université Stendhal – Grenoble 3, publiés sous la direction de Michel Viegnes. Paris: Imago, 2005, 156-163.
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- “Ég elska hana eins og hún er... *Le Roman de Mélusine* eða *La Noble Histoire des Lusignan* eftir Jean frá Arras”. *Ritið* 3/2006, 10-38.
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- “Inngangur”. Lise Tremblay. *Hegravarpið*. Translated with Davíð Steinn Davíðsson and Linda Rós Arnarsdóttir. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, 2007, 7-25. (Introduction)
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- “La peur du noir et la lumière défaillante du Nord dans les sagas et les contes islandais”. *Couleurs et lumières du Nord*. Actes du colloque international en littérature, cinéma, arts plastiques et visuels, Stockholm 20-23 avril 2006. Ed. Daniel Chartier and Maria Walecka-Garbalinska. Stockholm: Stockholm University, 2008, 137-145.
- “Eftirmáli”. Albert Camus. *Útlendingurinn – L’Étranger*. Bilingual Edition. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, 2008, 233-268. (Epilogue)
- “Að búa til sögu. *Sagan um gralinn*”. *Milli mála* 1/2009, 55-76.
- “Þýðing og endurritun í *Parcevals sögu*”. *Milli mála* 2/ 2010, 11-29.
- “La circulation de la ‘matière de Bretagne’ dans les sagas de chevaliers”. *Histoires des Bretagnes 2 - Itinéraires et confins*. Ed. H. Bouget and M. Coumert. Brest: Centre de recherche bretonne et celtique, 2011, 185-200.
- “Útlendingur og óviti. Um *Útlendinginn* eftir Albert Camus og *Söguna um gralinn* eftir Chrétien de Troyes”. *Milli mála* 3/2011, 11-30.
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- “*Parcevals saga* ou l’étrange fortune d’un roman chevaleresque dans sa traduction norroise”. *Voix des mythes, science des civilisations*. Peter Lang, 2012, 221-231.

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“Sjálfsmynd og villimenn Nýja heimsins í skrifum Michels de Montaigne”. *Milli mála* 5/2013, 177-195.

“Um þýðingu syndarinnar í *Sögunni* um gralinn og *Parcevals sögu*”. *An Intimacy of Words: Essays in honour of Pétur Knútsson / Innileiki orðanna. Festschrift til beiðurs Pétri Knútsyni*. Reykjavík: Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, University of Iceland Press, 2015, 43-60.

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“Skrímlið og kakóbollinn. *Fríða og Dýrið* og önnur ævintýri kvenna í frönskum bókmenntum fyrri alda”. *Tímarit Máls og Menningar* 3/2018, 18-32.

Co-authored with Guðrún Kristinsdóttir. “Um braglínur, lausamál og ljóðrænu í þýðingum úr frönsku yfir á íslensku. Franskar ljóðsögur og leikrit í bundnu máli”. *Skírni*, Fall 2018, 393-431.

“Lais traduits du norrois. *Goron, La Grève, Richard le Vieux*. Notice”. *Lais du Moyen Âge. Récits de Marie de France et d'autres auteurs (XII^e-XIII^e siècles)*. Édition bilingue publiée sous la direction de Philippe Walter, avec la collaboration de Lucie Kaempfer, Ásdís R. Magnúsdóttir et Karin Ueltschi. Paris: Gallimard (La Pléiade), 2018, 1377-1383.

“Um *Dagbók Parísarbúa*”. *Ritið* 2/2018, 185-187.

“Franskt ævintýri í íslenskum fötum. Um þýðingu Hannesar Finnssonar biskups á „La Belle et la Bête“ eftir Madame Leprince de Beaumont”. *Ritið* 3/2019, 229–260.

“Sjálfsmynd, framandleiki og tungumál í verkum Matéos Maximoff: rómíska í íslenskum þýðingum”. *Milli mála* 11/2019, 111–133.

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Co-authored with Hélène Tétrel, “Introduction : La matière arthurienne en Scandinavie médiévale”. *La matière arthurienne tardive en Europe 1270–1530. Late Arthurian Tradition in Europe*. Sous la direction de Christine Ferlampin-Acher. Rennes: Presses universitaires de Rennes, 2020, 727–732.

“Géants, revenants et angoisse. Les monstres de la nuit dans la *Saga de Grettir*”. *Grandes et Petites Mythologies*. Sous la direction de Karin Ueltschi-Courchinoux. Université de Reims-Ardenne, 2020.

Co-authored with Sofiya Zahova, “Rómamaður leitar að stað undir sólinni”: Um sögur og bókmenntir Rómafólks”, *Sunnudagsmaturlag og fleiri sögur Rómafólks*, Reykjavík: The Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages, The University of Iceland Press, 2020, 7-60.

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