

Curriculum Vitae

Jean-Michel LACROIX

Born April 8, 1944 in Bordeaux, France

Education

Licence ès lettres 1965
Diplôme d'Etudes supérieures 1966
Agrégation d'anglais 1968
Docteur d'Etat (Sorbonne) 1978

Academic experience

1989 - Full Professor (Chair of North American Studies), English Department, Sorbonne

1981-1989 Full Professor, English department, Bordeaux University
1971-1981 Associate professor, Institute of Political Studies and Université Michel de Montaigne, Bordeaux.
1969-1971 Assistant Professor, department of English, Laval University, Québec
1968-1969 Teacher of English in a lycée (secondary school), Rochefort
1965-1966 Lecteur in the French department, Bristol University

Professional experience

2005 -Recteur, General Manager of the French National Centre for Distance Education (CNED)

2004-2005 Recteur- Chancelier of the Académie of Orléans-Tours
2002-2004 Recteur- Chancelier of the Académie of Aix-Marseille
2001-2002 President of the Sorbonne Nouvelle University
1995-1999 Recteur- Chancelier of the Académie of Besançon
1990-1994 General Manager of the Sorbonne Nouvelle University Press
1983-1989 General Manager of the Bordeaux University Press
1982-1985 Chair of the English department, Bordeaux University.

Nb. The "Rector-chancellor" in France is the representative of the Minister of Education and he is in charge of all the educative sector, including universities.

1994-2002 President of the French Association for Canadian Studies
1990-2002 Member of the English Task Force/Network on Canadian Studies
1987-1995 President elect, President, Past President of the International Council for Canadian Studies
1976-1994 Secretary-treasurer of the French Association for Canadian Studies
1975-1990 Co-director of the Canadian studies centre (Bordeaux)
Since 1990 Director of the Canadian Studies Centre (Sorbonne)

Distinctions, awards

- 2002 Honorary degree, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2001 Champlain Prize, Institut France Amériques
- 2001 Award of the Canadian Ministry of External Affairs
- 1999 Best book on Margaret Atwood (Margaret Atwood International Society)
- 1986 Northern Telecom Five Continents award

- 2003 Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur
- 2002 Meritorious Service Medal (Canada)
- 2002 Commandeur dans l'ordre des Palmes académiques
- 1996 Chevalier dans l'Ordre National du Mérite

Jean-Michel Lacroix has published 20 books and over 100 articles on Canada and the United States. His initial interest for literature (18th century English literature, Canadian literature) has turned to social sciences (North American cultural studies, i.e. ethnicity and immigration in North America).