TEXAS STATE VITA

I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name and Title

Name: Dr. Michael Conner Title: Professor of Instruction

B. Educational Background

Degree	*Year*	*University*	*Major*	*Thesis/Dissertation*
PHD	2005	University of Texas at Austin	Germanic Studies	
MA	1994	University of Georgia	German	
BA	1992	Georgia State University	German	

C. University Experience

Position	*University*	*Dates*
Professor of Instruction, World Languages and Literatures	Texas State University. San Marcos, TX	September 1, 2024 - Present
Adjunct Professor, German, Department of Foreign Languages	Austin Community College. Austin, TX, United States	May 2017 - Present
Webmaster, Modern Languages	Texas State University. San Marcos, TX, United States	September 1, 2010 - Present
Senior Lecturer, German, Modern Languages	Texas State University. San Marcos, TX, United States	September 2006 - August 2024
Lecturer, Modern Languages	Texas State University. San Marcos, TX, United States	September 2005 - August 2006

Lecturer, European Languages (now: International Studies)	Texas A&M University. College Station, TX, United States	February 2004 - May 2005
Assistant Instructor, Germanic Studies	The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX, United States	January 1997 - December 2003
Part-Time Instructor, Foreign Languages	Kennesaw State University. Marietta, GA, United States	January 1995 - June 1996
Teaching Assistant, Germanic and Slavic Languages	University of Georgia. Athens, GA, United States	August 1992 - June 1994

D. Relevant Professional Experience

Position	*Entity*	*Dates*
Freelance Editorial Reviewer	Burrston House, Ltd.	September 2015 - October 2015
Freelance Contributing Writer	Arts & Sciences/ World Languages, Pearson Education, Upper Saddle River, NJ, United States	January 2012 - May 2012
Freelance Contributing Writer	McGraw-Hill World Languages, Columbus, OH, United States	2006

II. TEACHING

A. Teaching Honors and Awards:

Award / Honor Recipient: Alpha Chi Favorite Professor, Alpha Chi.

March 24, 2014

B. Courses Taught:

Texas State University:

GER 1410 - BEGINNING GER I

GER 1420 - BEGINNING GER II

GER 2310 - INTERMED GERMAN I

GER 2320 - INTERMED GERMAN II

GER 3301 - SURV GERMAN LIT

GER 3302 - SURV GERMAN LIT

GER 3304D - GERMAN TRANSLATION

GER 3320 - IMPROV GERMAN COMM

GER 3320 - IMPROVING GERMAN COMMUNICATION

GER 3341 - REVIEW GERMAN GRAMMAR

GER 3370 - GER CIVILZATN

GER 4310 - MSTRPIECES GER LIT

GER 4340 - ADV CONV COMP STYL

GER 4341 - ADV GERMAN GRAMMAR

GER 4390 - CUL LANG LIT

Austin Community College:

GERM 1411 - German I

GERM 1412 - German II

GERM 2311 - Intermediate German II

Texas A&M University:

GERM 101 - Beginning German I

GERM 102 - German II

GERM 201 - Intermediate German I

GERM 321 - Introduction to German Civilization and Culture I

The University of Texas at Austin:

GER 312K - Second-Year German I

GER 312L - Second-Year German II

GER 506 - First-Year German I

GER 507 - First-Year German II

GER 612 - Accelerated Second-Year German

GER f506 - First-Year German I (Summer Intensive)

D. Courses Prepared and Curriculum Development:

German 3308: German Translation (Phase 1 Curriculum Review revision), Curriculum Development, Texas State University. Proposed: October 2025 - November 2025.

GER 3341: Review of German Grammar, First Time Course Preparation, Texas State University. Taught: August 2023 - November 2023.

German 3304D: German Translation, First Time Course Preparation, Texas State University. Taught: August 2016 - December 2016.

German 3304D: German Translation, New Course, Texas State University. Approved: May 2015.

GER 3320: Improving German Communication, Revise Existing Course, Texas State University. Taught: August 2021 - December 2021.

GER 3304D: German Translation, Revise Existing Course, Texas State University. Taught: August 2020 - December 2020.

German 2320: Intermediate German II, Revise Existing Course, Texas State University. Taught: August 2016 - December 2016.

German 1420: Beginning German II, Revise Existing Course, Texas State University. Taught: January 2016 - May 2016.

German 4340: Advanced Conversation, Composition, and Stylistics, Revise Existing Course, Texas State University. Taught: January 2016 - May 2016.

F. Other:

Nachhilfestunde (German Tutorial Hour). (January 1, 2016 - December 1, 2018).

G. Teaching Professional Development Activities Attended

Conference Attendance, "John Slatin AccessU 2025," Knowbility, Austin, TX, United States. (May 12, 2025 - May 15, 2025).

Workshop, "DAAD-Fortbildung "Authentische Texte im Unterricht DaF in den USA"," DAAD (Deutscher-Amerikanischer Austauschdienst), Berkeley, CA, United States. (December 8, 2023 - December 9, 2023).

Self-Study Program, "Applying the QM Rubric," Austin Community College, Austin, TX, United States. (June 2022 - July 2022).

Self-Study Program, "Teaching Online @ Texas State," Office of Distance and Extended Learning, Texas State. (July 1, 2020 - September 21, 2020).

Workshop, "Canvas Basics Webinar," ITAC / Texas State, Austin, TX. (July 21, 2020).

Workshop, "Zoom for Faculty," ITAC / Texas State. (March 25, 2020).

Workshop, "ACTFL OPI Assessment Workshop," American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, Lexington, VA, United States. (July 10, 2018 - July 13, 2018).

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

A. Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press):

6. Book Reviews:

Conner, M. M. (2005, April). Arthur Schnitzler and Twentieth-Century Criticism. *The German Quarterly*. AATG.

Conner, M. M. (1999, April). Voltaires Neffe: Eine Fälschung in Diderots Manier. *Focus on Literatur*. Cincinnati, Ohio, USA: University of Cincinnati.

10. Other Works in Print:

Contributing writer; revised instructor annotations and contributed new oness:

Di Donato, R., Clyde, M. D., Vansant, J., & Conner, M. M. (2007). *Deutsch: Na Klar! An Introductory German course* (5th ed.). New York, New York, USA: McGraw-Hill.

Software Reviews:

Conner, M. M. (2014). *Magnolia: a user-friendly CMS that tries to be all things to all users and generally succeeds. trustradius*. trustradius. Retrieved from https://www.trustradius.com/reviews/magnolia-v4-5-and-prior-versions-2014-09-02-13-20-38 https://www.trustradius.com/reviews/magnolia-v4-5-and-prior-versions-2014-09-02-13-20-38

B. Works Not in Print:

1. Papers Presented at Professional Meetings:

Conner, M. M., German III Section, "Infected Imaginaries: Identity Construction in Schnitzler's 'Traumnovelle'," South Central Modern Languages Association, Tulsa, OK, United States. (November 2, 2001).

Conner, M. M., German III Section, "Anton Reiser: a middle-class Sisyphus," South Central Modern Languages Association, San Antonio, TX, United States. (November 11, 2000).

Conner, M. M., German II Section, "Wander's Heritage: Guten Morgen oder Gute Nacht?," South Central Modern Languages Association, Dallas, TX, United States. (November 11, 1997).

2. Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

Conner, M. M., Characters in Context Goethe Lecture Series, "How to Do Things with Goethe: Echoes of Faust in J. Michael Straczynski's Babylon 5," The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, United States. (November 3, 1999).

Conner, M. M., Focus on Literatur, "Büchner's Hessischer Landbote as a Re-Writing of German History," University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, United States. (October 10, 1998).

D. Scholarly / Creative Fellowships, Awards, Honors:

Fellowship Recipient: University Continuing Fellowship, The Graduate School at The University of Texas at Austin.
August 2002 - May 2003

Award / Honor Recipient: Professional Development Award, Department of Germanic Studies at UT-Austin.

1999

Award / Honor Recipient: Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, Kennesaw State University.
1990

Fellowship Recipient: Kennesaw Foundation Scholarship, Kennesaw State University.
1989

IV. SERVICE

A. Institutional

1. University:

Official Ally of Texas State, Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion. (2014 - Present).

Conference Organizer and Webmaster, Texas Medieval Association Conference (TEMA). (2015).

Speaker (German); Welcome to Students, Multicultural Graduation Celebration. (December 1, 2015).

Presenter, 25th Anniversary End of Cold War/Fall of Berlin Wall Film Festival. (2014).

Member, Fulbright Campus Committee. (2011).

Undergraduate Advisor, Texas State Extreme Sports. (2010 - 2011).

Participant, Bobcat Day, Texas State University. (February 19, 2011).

Moderator, Tournées International Film Festival and Symposium. (March 30, 2009).

Departmental Representative, Bobcat Day, Texas State University. (October 13, 2007).

Departmental Representative, Bobcat Day, Texas State University. (April 21, 2007).

Moderator, 6th Annual Graduate Student Symposium, Department of Germanic Studies, UT-Austin. (2002).

2. College:

Participant, Liberal Arts Communicators Group. (2024 - Present).

3. Department/School:

Member, AI Committee. (January 1, 2025 - Present).

Editor: OnSign Digital Signs. (January 2023 - Present).

Member, Web Committee. (August 2011 - Present).

Webmaster: Modern Languages websites. (January 1, 2010 - Present).

Judge for Skits, Level 2, Texas State German Contest. (February 28, 2026).

Organizer, Powerpoint ADA Compliance Workshop for German Section. (November 11, 2025).

Co-Presenter, Zoom Microskills Session on using AI for ADA Compliance. (October 24, 2025).

Observer, Observation of SPAN 1420 course (L. Dungan). (September 25, 2025).

Organizer, Canvas ADA Title II How-To Workshop. (August 22, 2025).

Mentor for new German lecturer (William Weihe), Faculty Mentor. (September 2024 - May 2025).

Observer, Observation of JAPA 2320 (E. Linville). (April 16, 2025).

Judge for Skits, Texas State German Contest. (March 1, 2025).

Member, Outreach Committee. (December 2024).

University Calendar Editor, World Languages and Literatures. (2012 - 2024).

supervision of student worker. (January 2024 - September 2024).

Judge for Pair Discussion, Texas State German Contest. (February 24, 2024).

Judge for Directed Dialogue 2, Texas State German Contest. (February 25, 2023).

Member, TSP Search Committee. (October 2022 - January 23, 2023).

Participant, German Department Winterfeier / Delta Phi Alpha Induction Ceremony. (November 18, 2022).

Judge for Extemporaneous Speaking 4, Texas State German Contest. (March 1, 2022).

Co-administrator and Content Manager, German at Texas State University Facebook Page. (January 2011 - 2021).

Page Admin, German at Texas State Instagram page. (August 2021).

Participant, German Scholarship Committee. (March 2021).

Judge: Contemporary Music, Texas State German Contest. (February 27, 2021 - March 2, 2021).

Participant, German Department Winterfeier / Delta Phi Alpha Honor Society Induction. (November 20, 2020).

Judge for Duet Acting Level 2, Texas State German Contest. (February 29, 2020).

Organizer, Klingt Deutsch Karaoke-Abend. (October 24, 2019).

Website publicity and faculty support, Shaping Germany Culture Weeks. (October 5, 2018 - October 18, 2018).

Participant, Sigma Delta Pi Festival de Poesía. (October 9, 2018).

Judge for Contemporary Music, Texas State German Contest. (February 24, 2018).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (October 24, 2017).

Participant, Netzwerk Training Workshop. (May 12, 2017).

Coordinated Demonstration Teaching, German Candidate Search. (January 2017 - February 2017).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (October 20, 2016).

Acting Faculty Advisor, Delta Phi Alpha. (August 1, 2015 - May 1, 2016).

Member, Corinda Crews Moeller Scholarship Committee. (February 2016 - March 2016).

Co-administrator and Content Manager, Modern Languages at Texas State University. (January 2015 - March 2016).

Judge for German-language Skits, Level 3, Texas State German Contest. (February 27, 2016).

Organizer, Kaffeestunde. (January 2016 - February 26, 2016).

Organizer, Kaffeestunde. (September 1, 2015 - November 1, 2015).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (October 21, 2014).

First-Year German Coordinator. (2012).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (October 2012).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (April 2012).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (April 2012).

Participant, Festival de poesia hispanica por la paz. (April 2011).

Acting Coordinator, First- and Second-Year German, Department of Modern Languages. (August 2009 - December 2009).

Developed rubrics for Learning Outcomes and Assessments for German. (2009).

B. Professional:

Reviewer / Referee, Reviewer of three chapters of "Treffpunkt Deutsch" 6th Edition for Burrston House, Ltd. (September 1, 2015 - October 1, 2015).

Editorial Review Board Member, Teaching Austria. (2007).

Chair, German III Section / South Central Modern Languages Association, Hot Springs, AR, United States. (November 1, 2003).

Secretary, German III Section / South Central Modern Languages Association, Austin, United States. (November 1, 2002).

Webmaster, Goethe-Institut / AATG "Going the Distance" web project. (1997).

C. Community:

Participant, City of New Braunfels, New Braunfels, TX. (February 23, 2024).

City of New Braunfels, New Braunfels, TX. (June 23, 2023).

Test Editor and Proctor, City of New Braunfels, New Braunfels, TX. (October 26, 2018 - November 13, 2018).

Judge, Texas State German Contest. (February 25, 2017).

Volunteer, UT Interactive, Austin, TX. (2001).

E. Service Honors and Awards:

Award / Honor Recipient: College of Liberal Arts Achievement Award for Excellence in Service, College of Liberal Arts.
August 20, 2021

Fellowship Recipient: Helmut Rehder Graduate Student Fellowship, Department of Germanic Studies at UT-Austin.
August 2002 - May 2003