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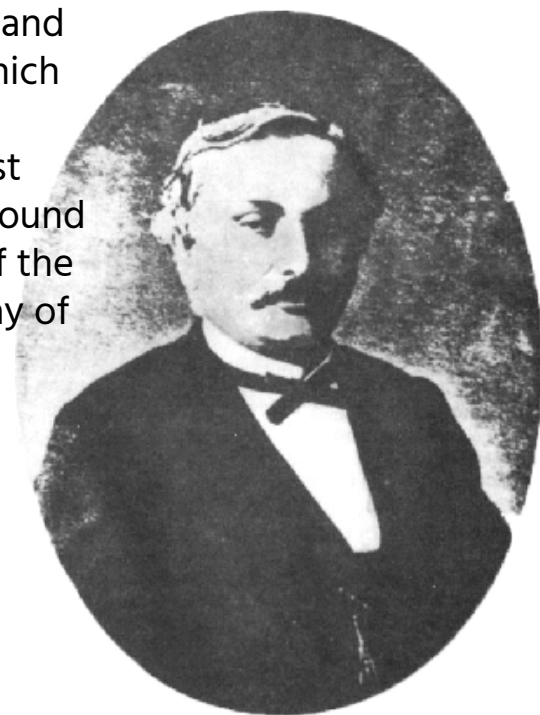
a public lecture by

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Culture, Politics & Comparative Philology in the Nineteenth Century:

A French Riposte

The harnessing of the developing discipline of comparative philology to various agendas centred on ethnicity, nation and race is well-known as one of the key junction points at which nineteenth-century intellectual and academic history connected with political ideology. Christopher Prendergast returns to that scene, but in order to bring into the foreground a generally neglected point of resistance to that yoking of the study of language to politics. He does so principally by way of the key figure of Michel Bréal, the first Professor of Comparative Grammar at the Collège de France.



Thursday, October 20th

5:00-7:00pm

Mosher Alumni House

Refreshments to follow



About Christopher Prendergast

Christopher Prendergast visits the campus of UCSB October 17th-21st as the Graduate Center for Literary Research's Distinguished Visiting Professor. Prendergast is Emeritus Professor at the University of Cambridge and a Fellow of King's College. He was formerly Distinguished Professor in French and Comparative Literature at the Graduate Centre, City University of New York. He is a member of the British Academy, the Academia Europea and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is also Honorary Professor at the University of Copenhagen.

