



## Short CV

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**Lester, Cheryl** is Associate Professor Emerita of the University of Kansas, where she was Conger-Gabel Teaching Professor, Associate Professor of English and American Studies, and Courtesy Professor in Jewish Studies. Her main research interests and publications are in the field of the American novel, especially William Faulkner, with emphases on modernity, race and ethnicity, migration and immigration, family, and aging. She has published translations (with Philip Barnard) of French philosophers Jean-Luc Nancy and Philippe Lacoue-Labarthe and French author Philippe Sollers and created an anthology (with Alice Lieberman) of first-person narratives for social work education in diversity. She was President of the Mid-America American Studies Association, Chair of the American Studies Department, Acting Director of the Jewish Studies Program, Member of the Board of the Faulkner Society, and Interim Editor of the American Studies Journal. She participated in the Post-Graduate Program at the Bowen Center for the Study of the Family in Washington, D.C., researches and publishes on Bowen family systems theory and her own family of origin, and serves on the Executive Committee of the Family History Database Project of the Bowen Theory Academy.