

## SENATE ELECTIONS 2021 – ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

### NON-PROFESSORIAL ACADEMIC STAFF

#### COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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I wish to nominate myself for the role of Senate Member. I will bring to this role requisite teaching, learning and research experience that will contribute to academic direction and priorities of the University.

I have worked in the field of language and teacher education, taught abroad as part of the University of Edinburgh ERASMUS Mobility Scheme, and worked as a researcher in higher education institutions in the UK and internationally.

I have taught a wide range of postgraduate courses in TESOL and Language Education, including Global Englishes; Critical Literacies and Critical Pedagogies (CLCP); and the college-wide Conceptualising Research courses. I utilise blended learning approach as a pedagogical tool in the management, assessment and delivery of my courses. I have brought these skills to bear in course organising during the Covid-19 transition to hybrid model.

My teaching philosophy reflects my commitment to critical pedagogy, social justice and democracy. I help students develop a critical consciousness that transcends the subject knowledge, in order to demonstrate how larger societal issues impact what goes on in the classroom. I have a wide range of expertise in planning, assessing and designing courses.

As course organiser for core and option courses within Moray House school of Education and Sport, I am committed to delivering high quality student experience. Some of the courses I organise have some of the largest cohort of students enrolled in both Language Education and TESOL postgraduate MSc programme. I plan to develop new courses and engage in reflective practices that incorporates a critical pedagogy agenda.

I served as external peer/proposal reviewer for Teaching and Teacher Education (TATE) journal and currently a member of professional associations, such as AILA and BERA. I have excellent instructional, research and communication skills, and utilise various research methodologies in my work. I have designed, conducted and completed projects to the highest standard. Given the unique responsibilities of this position, I believe I have the requisite research, learning, teaching, leadership and course management skills to be successful as member of the Senate at the University of Edinburgh.