UCFL Executive Committee

NOMINATION FORM

Winter 2023 elections (post effective from 13th January 2024)

If you wish to stand for election as the UCFL Vice Chair Language and Intercultural Education, please return this form. Your nomination should be supported by a proposer and seconder who are based in institutions or associations that are members of UCFL or of a recognised academic institution/subject association. The form should be returned electronically to UCFL’s Hon Secretary, Prof Marcela Cazzoli at marcela.a.cazzoli@durham.ac.uk

Deadline for return of nominations: 15th December 2023

UCFL VC Languages and Intercultural Education

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Proposed by: Prof Thomas Baldwin
Institution: University of Sheffield

Seconded by: Prof Francesca Billiani
Institution: University of Manchester

Candidate’s election statement should include present post, relevant experience and expectations. Candidates are advised to read the relevant role profile and the UCFL Constitution and Standing Orders to inform their candidature.
(Candidate’s statement should not exceed 150 words. It will be posted on the UCFL website.)
I am the Language Centre Director and the Director of Education (Arts and Humanities) at the University of Kent. Previously, I worked as the Modern Languages Coordinator. My extensive experience has equipped me with a nuanced understanding of the challenges faced by language education across the UK, within the context of Humanities disciplines. My leadership has ensured the preservation and growth of a diverse and compelling language curriculum at UoK—including the BA in Modern Languages—amidst financial challenges.

I have successfully fostered numerous international partnerships, enhancing the global reach and impact of our programmes. As the co-founder of the Modern Languages Teaching Forum, I have created an international platform that facilitates bridging the gap between theory and practice in language and intercultural education.

I am committed to collaborating with stakeholders to ensure sustainability and resilience of language education across the UK, making a lasting impact and fostering growth.