

UCML Executive Committee  
UCML Steering Group



**NOMINATION FORM**

**Spring 2020 elections (effective from 31 July 2020)**

If you wish to stand for election as the UCML representative for Northern Ireland, please return this form. Your nomination should be supported by a proposer and seconder who are based in HEIs or Subject Associations that are paid-up members of UCML. The form should be returned electronically to UCML's Hon. Secretary, Dr Marcela Cazzoli: [marcela.a.cazzoli@durham.ac.uk](mailto:marcela.a.cazzoli@durham.ac.uk)

**Deadline for return of nominations: noon on Thursday 28 May 2020**

**UCML representative for Northern Ireland**

**Nominee's name:** Dr Sharon Jones

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**Seconded by:** Dr Patricia Eaton, Director of Teaching and Learning

**Institution:** Stranmillis University College, A College of Queen's University Belfast

**Candidate's election statement** should include present post, relevant experience and expectations. Candidates are advised to read the relevant role profile and the UCML Constitution and Standing Orders to inform their candidature.

*(Candidate's statement should not exceed 150 words. It will be posted on the UCML website.)*

**Present post:** Senior Lecturer in Education Studies (with Modern Languages) and International Coordinator at Stranmillis University College, a College of Queen's University Belfast. My teaching and research interests include language education, linguistic diversity, and literature.

**Relevant experience:** a graduate of Girton College Cambridge, the Open and Ulster Universities, I have 30 years' experience of teaching and leadership in schools, Higher Education and Initial Teacher Education. Awarded a General Teaching Council Northern Ireland Fellowship (2012), and FHEA (2015), I served on the Northern Ireland Council for Languages, and the Languages Trends Northern Ireland advisory committee (2019). I am external examiner at the University of Edinburgh, member of the British Educational Research

Association's British Curriculum Forum steering group and the *Curriculum Journal* editorial board.

**Expectations:** I stand for the UCML Northern Ireland Representative role to channel energy, experience and enthusiasm into championing languages

- in education;
- across disciplines;
- through regional and international collaboration.