

UCML Executive Committee
UCML Steering Group



NOMINATION FORM

Spring 2021 elections (effective from 31st July 2021)

If you wish to stand for election as the Chair of UCML, 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 UCML or of a recognised academic institution/subject association. The form should be returned electronically to UCML's Hon Secretary, Dr Marcela Cazzoli: marcela.a.cazzoli@durham.ac.uk

Deadline for return of nominations: noon on Thursday 3rd June 2021

UCML Chair

Nominee's name: Jonathan Long

Institutional affiliation: University of Durham

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Proposed by: Professor Katrin Kohl

Institution: University of Oxford

Seconded by: Professor Charles Burdett

Institution: Institute of Modern Languages Research

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.)

I am currently Head of the School of Modern Languages and Cultures at Durham University, having also served as Director of the AHRC-funded Northern Bridge DTP. For the past year, I have chaired the UCML Special Interest Group on the year abroad, which provided an important forum for sharing experiences, influencing institutional policy, and supporting students during the pandemic.

I would bring to the role of Chair a commitment to the discipline of Modern Languages in all its breadth and diversity, a strong track-record of academic leadership (including mentorship of ECRs), and a thorough understanding of the HE and ML policy context.

This context poses urgent challenges. At such a time, the ability to advocate, to influence, to develop our alliances and forge new ones with representative organisations within and beyond HE is crucial if our discipline is to thrive. I would seek to serve our community in this spirit.