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Professor Becomes Co-Editor of Prestigious Journal



Dr. Christina Higgins from the Department of Second Language Studies (SLS) will serve as co-editor of *Applied Linguistics*, a prestigious peer-reviewed academic journal published by Oxford University Press. She joins co-editor Dr. Anna Mauranen (University of Helsinki) for a five-year term. Quarterly, *Applied Linguistics* publishes research on language that is relevant to real-world problems.

This distinguished position is a natural fit for Higgins, a sociolinguist interested in the politics of language, multilingual practices, globalization, and identity. She utilizes discourse analytic, ethnographic, and qualitative approaches to study facets of the global spread of English and multilingual identities.

Higgins' appointment marks the third time an SLS professor has served in the coveted position. Previous incumbents were Craig Chaudron and, more recently, Gabriele Kasper. The department's outstanding and respected faculty has long been sought after for their professional judgements and expertise.

SLS Chair Graham Crookes is grateful that Higgins assumed the coeditorship even though it will add considerable workload to her already extensive endeavors. "Christina's actions in this role will undoubtedly further the department, college, and university's reputation in the field of applied linguistics. The unbridled enthusiasm she has for her work is matched by her competence, and I am proud to have her as a colleague."



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