

**Magda Phillips**

**Biography**

More than 20 years' teaching experience in primary, secondary and lifelong sectors, teaching both modern languages and English to Speakers of Other Languages, including while living in Nepal, France and Spain. With TESOL, Master of English Language Teaching (Sheffield) and Ph.D. (Manchester) qualifications, currently tutor at Manchester Metropolitan University.

**Supporting statement**

Statutory language learning in primary schools, recently ensured by the government, requires joined-up thinking for a practice that is both sustainable and inclusive. Working as both teacher and researcher has allowed me to establish good practice by trying out strategies, including the innovative use of drama, music and IT to motivate pupils and also teachers with little or no previous confidence in modern languages. I have the analytical and reflective skills to contribute to building a robust framework of progression to inform planning and assessment, and to provide continuity between not only year groups but also key stages.