Department of Languages and Literatures



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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to request that Dr. Ardith Meier be granted Emeritus Status once she retires from her position as Professor of TESOL, at the end of December 2018. Dr. Meier has been a dynamic and highly effective professor who taught a broad range of TESOL courses in our department and directed countless research papers. Her articles have appeared in the *Journal of Pragmatics, Multilingua, Language Sciences, English Language Teaching Journal, International Journal of Applied Linguistics, American Speech,* and the *Modern Language Journal*. Her research interests included sociopragmatics, intercultural communication, language teacher instruction and sociolinguistics. Recently, during her phased retirement, she worked as a volunteer serving refugee and immigrant populations in Europe. These accomplishments are the mark of a seasoned and dedicated teacher and a lifelong learner, and clearly qualify her for the distinction of Professor Emeritus.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Cooley, Ph.D.

Professor of Spanish and Department Head