

UPEI Faculty Association MASA Subcommittee

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A Congratulatory Citation on Dr. Anne Furlong's Scholarly Achievement

The University of Prince Edward Island Faculty Association is pleased and honoured to present this year's Merit Award for Scholarly Achievement (MASA) to Anne Furlong. Dr. Furlong is Associate Professor in the Department of English, Faculty of Arts. She holds a BA in English from the Memorial University of Newfoundland and a PhD in English from University College London. She has been a tenured faculty member at UPEI since 2000.

Dr. Furlong is a prominent scholar in her specialized field of "linguistic pragmatics," "relevance theory," and "adaptation studies." Her original work is recognized internationally through her significant publications and conference paper presentations. As Dr. Shannon Murray eloquently wrote in her nomination letter, "my colleague Anne Furlong is one of the world experts and most sought-after thinkers in this area."

In the most recent five years since 2017, Dr. Furlong has achieved an excellent international record of innovative research and scholarship as follows:

- two peer-reviewed, ground-breaking articles in two leading international journals such as *International Journal of Literary Linguistics* and *Journal of Literary Semantics* (both articles are single-authored by Anne);
- 3 high-impact book chapters (11–31 pages each) in three well-reviewed edited books published by two of the world's most famous publishers including Cambridge University Press (all of these chapters are single-authored);
- 7 single-authored, pioneering papers presented at the annual international conferences of the MLA (Modern Languages Association), LSA (Linguistic Society of America), PALA (Poetics and Linguistics Association), and IPrA (International Pragmatics Assoc.), which took place in major American or British cities (Washington DC, Chicago, Nottingham, Liverpool, etc.); and
- an invited keynote speech at an international meeting of PALA in Pennsylvania.

In addition, we are also pleased to note that the global impact of Dr. Furlong's scholarly reputation is strongly confirmed by her forthcoming (2023) monograph (single-authored) book from Palgrave Macmillan (an academic imprint of Springer Nature), a leading "world-class publisher of books and journals." This is arguably an enlightening part of her nomination file I most admire.

Furthermore, Dr. Furlong *passionately* contributes to her professional community by serving as/on:

- an international book manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press;
- a peer reviewer for eleven leading journals: e.g., *Journal of Pragmatics*, *Linguistics*, and *Literature*, *Journal of Literary Semantics*, and *International J. of Applied Linguistics*;
- the editorial board of the *J. of Literary Semantics*, a well-known journal; and
- the executive committee for the Linguistics and Literature Forum of MLA, a prominent society.

It is also remarkable that since 2017 Dr. Furlong has devoted her world-class knowledge to mentoring several UPEI students in writing their Honours theses in English, Philosophy, and Psychology.

Overall, my committee colleagues and I have concluded that Prof. Furlong's nomination file provides a praiseworthy testimony of research productivity of international calibre. Accordingly, she is selected for this prestigious 2022 Faculty Association merit award for "outstanding scholarly achievement."

Many congratulations to Anne on all of your accomplishments.

With best wishes for your scholarly endeavours in the coming months and years – Dao!

*Written by Dr. Edward Chung (Asian Studies Director and Professor of Religious Studies),
Chair, MASA Subcommittee, Apr. 30, 2022*

*Based on this committee's review discussion of Dr. Furlong's nomination file with all attached documents.
This citation is also confirmed and appreciated by Dr. Furlong and her nominator, May 2, 2022.*