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Dr. Mary Griffith holds a double B.A. in Government and Spanish from Colby College, Maine, in the US (1987) and a degree in English Philology from the University of Málaga, Spain (2004). At this same university, she completed a M.A. programme in Estudios Ingleses y Comunicación Multilingüe e Intercultural in 2011. In 2015, her PhD dissertation about integrating content and language in the university was a joint venture with the Computer Science Department at the University of Málaga where she explored the other side of CLIL, reaching beyond English for Specific Purposes.

Dr. Griffith has worked at the University of Malaga since 2002, first with the Fundación General, later in the Education Department and most recently with the Department of Modern Foreign Languages. Through this experience she has gained a unique viewpoint on the accreditation of foreign languages and the implementation of bilingual programmes at all educational levels. She has collaborated with the research group Applied Languages and Linguistics since 2011. In order to promote a more plurilingual university, her research takes place in the classroom using action research. With this purpose in mind, she has been extremely active at the University of Málaga creating professor training courses since 2010. She has worked in multiple professional development workshops in collaboration with the Vice dean of International relations and Cooperation for Development with the University of Almería, at the University of Valladolid and most recently with the University of Córdoba in their plan to implement bilingual degrees in higher education. Since 2013, Dr Griffith has collaborated in Innovative Educational Projects in the Tourism Faculty sponsored by the University of Málaga. Her pragmatic research approaches bilingualism as a practical didactic tool for the direct implementation in the classroom.