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Memorandum

To: Montgomery College Employees

From: Mr. Raymond Gonzales, Acting Dean, English Language for Academic Purposes (ELAP), Linguistics, and Communication Studies

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It is my pleasure to announce that Professor Michal Marell has accepted the appointment of acting chair of English Language for Academic Purposes (ELAP) beginning September 28, 2024.

Professor Marell joined the Montgomery College community as an adjunct English as a second language (ESL) associate professor and continuing education instructor in 2006 for the Rockville and Takoma Park/Silver Spring campuses. She has served as a faculty member in the ELAP department since 2007 teaching in-person and remote ELAP courses in all levels of spoken American English and academic writing, earning the Center for Teaching and Learning's Part-time Faculty Fellowship award in 2007. She became full professor in 2014. In addition, she has served as an advisor to students as part of the Faculty Advising Cadre since 2008. She has developed common courses for ELAS970 and ELAS980 (academic speaking and listening I and II) and developed instructional materials on a variety of important topics, including how to register for classes at MC, how to enroll in classes and take ESL Guided Placement, ELAP distance learning courses, and types of classes at MC.

Previous to her work at Montgomery College, she was an online ESL instructor for African Virtual university, East and West Africa, and served as an elementary, middle and high school ESL teacher in New York.

Professor Marell earned a bachelor of science in French and psychology from SUNY Potsdam and a master of science in teaching English to speakers of other languages from the University at Albany (SUNY).

Please welcome Professor Marell to her role as acting chair of ELAP.