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Recent views of literacy as a plural notion with multiple dimensions have profound implications for language teaching as it must not only account for the assumption that literacy is indeed multiple but also promote the development of learners’ multimodal communicative competence which refers to the ability to interpret and construct appropriate meanings multimodally. This calls for professional development that is directly aimed at increasing teachers’ awareness of the new literacies and expanding their teaching repertoires in relation to multimodality.

My research project examines language teachers’ Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge (TPACK) development, understanding of and views on meaning-making in the context of using technological tools such as machinima, animated film-making within a real-time virtual 3D environment, for the creation of multimodal ensembles.

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