

PROFILE

Is mise Jayne NicLeòid agus 's ann à Nis, ann an Ceann a Tuath Leòdhais a tha mi. Tha mi fortanach gun d' fhuair mi cothrom BA ann an Cànan agus Cultar na Gàidhlig a dhèanamh aig UHI agus gum b' urrainn dhomh an cùrsa sin a dhèanamh gu tur ann an Gàidhlig aig Colaiste a' Chaisteil. An dèidh a bhith ag obair anns na Meadhanan Gàidhlig airson naoi bliadhna deug, tha mi a' faireachdainn làidir mu bhith a' brosnachadh cànan agus cultar na Gàidhlig agus mu bhith a' misneachadh dhaoine a bhith a' bruidhinn na Gàidhlig cho mòr 's a 's urrainn dhaibh anns a h-uile suidheachadh agus àrainneachd. Leis gu bheil mi a' tighinn bho choimhearsnachd làidir Ghàidhlig, tha dualchas, cànan agus cultar an-còmhnaidh air a bhith na phrìomhachas agus bu chaomh leam seo fhaicinn a' cumail a' dol. Tha an dreuchd ùr seo mar Oifigear Gàidhlig a' toirt cothrom cumhachdach dhuinn a bhith a' neartachadh na Gàidhlig, le bhith ag obrachadh taobh a-staigh UHI a Tuath, An Iar is Innse Gall, agus le buidhnean Gàidhlig eile. Tha a bhith a' neartachadh na Gàidhlig taobh a-staigh an oilithigh a' toirt cothrom sònraichte a bhith a' brosnachadh cleachdadh na Gàidhlig ann an coimhearsnachdan air feadh na Gàidhealtachd agus nan Eilean. Tha mi a' faireachdainn gu math èasgaidh mu dheidhinn agus tha mi a' coimhead air adhart gu mòr a bhith a' cluich pàirt ann a bhith a' toirt prìomhachasan Plàna na Gàidhlig gu buil.



My name is Jayne Macleod and I'm from Ness, in the North of the Isle of Lewis. I feel very fortunate to have studied for a BA Gaelic Language & Culture at UHI and was able to do this course exclusively in Gaelic at Lews Castle College. Having worked in the Gaelic Media Industry for 19 years, I am passionate about promoting the Gaelic language and culture and about encouraging people to speak Gaelic as much as possible in all situations and environments. Coming from a very strong Gaelic speaking community; heritage, language and culture have always been to the fore and this is something I would like to ensure continues. This new Gaelic Officer role provides a powerful opportunity to help make the Gaelic language stronger, by working within UHI, North West and Hebrides, and also with other Gaelic stakeholders. Strengthening the language within the university gives a unique opportunity to promote and encourage its use in our communities across the Highlands and Islands. This is something I am very passionate about and I am looking forward to being a part of delivering the strategic priorities of the Gaelic Language Plan.