

**Vanderbilt Center for Languages
Scholars Program
(VCL Scholars)**

Spring 2024

Length of position:	One semester with the possibility of renewal for a second semester
Date of residency:	January 15-May 15, 2024
Compensation:	\$3500 salary supplement
Eligibility:	Full-time faculty (tenure stream, tenured, or continuing track), regardless of discipline
Application due:	December 31, 2023
Notification:	January 10, 2024

The VCL Scholars serve as an integral part of the Vanderbilt Center for Languages' mission of fostering interdisciplinary work in support the teaching and learning of languages at Vanderbilt University. Applicants may propose a program of research either for publication, conference presentation, or to create a new academic initiative (or expand one that so far has been limited to one person, course, or program). Proposals may be submitted individually or with one other person (each participant will receive the full award). Up to five proposals will be awarded.

Awardees will be asked to formally present the results of their work in a public forum hosted by the Vanderbilt Center for Languages in a 15-minute illustrated talk, either at the end of the Spring or in early Fall semester.

Scholars will also participate in a cohort session 3 times per semester with other Scholars and the VCL Director.

The 2024 theme of the VCL Scholars is **Intercultural Competencies**. Some sample project topics are listed below:

- Virtual exchange language program models and proposals
- Heritage speaker integration in university courses and campus life
- Re-entry after study abroad: models and proposals
- Intercultural competency development for language students
- Intercultural competency development for non-language students
- Co-curricular design of language integration in residential spaces
- International student integration in courses and in campus life
- Immersion for language students (research, community engagement, creative writing)
- Community outreach to area language communities
- Global Studies Certificate

The Vanderbilt Center for Languages is particularly interested in funding proposals that will generate knowledge that benefits a broad constituency. (For instance, a proposal on virtual exchanges might devote 20% of the applicant's time and effort to generate a guide—written as part of the Scholar's investigation of philosophies and best practices—to be made public on the VCL website, and thus provide a starting point for others who want to establish a virtual exchange component in a particular course or program.)

Proposals must include a budget for any travel or materials. All materials must be uploaded to RedCap in PDF format.

Applications should consist of a proposal not to exceed one single-spaced page, a current CV, and optional supporting documentation, e.g., information on a professional development seminar the faculty member proposes to attend, on travel to another institution (to establish a virtual exchange, for example), an initial bibliography of resources to consider, or an invoice/price quote for materials.

For travel, a budget will also be required as part of the proposal. The budget should use Vanderbilt's [per diem rate](#) for meals.

All expenses must be submitted for reimbursement by June 1, 2024.

Click [here](#) to apply. Please contact [Chalene Helmuth](#), Director, with any questions.