## **Editor's Note**

Volume 22 of the *MIFLC Review* features work that was originally presented at the 2022 MIFLC meeting, a virtual experience hosted by the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. For the second consecutive year, the Covid-19 pandemic prevented us from gathering in person. The online conference, led by Mariche Bayonas and her colleagues, upheld the best of MIFLA and reinforced what the organization is for so many of us: a vibrant academic community committed to scholarly innovation that also values warm, collegial interactions when we gather to share our work. You will see the fruits of our colleagues' scholarship and their collegiality in this volume, thanks to the efforts of our authors and the devoted readers and copyeditors on the editorial board.

The Ulloa Award, which recognizes the lifelong contribution of Professors Leonor and Justo Ulloa to the journal and the organization, will be announced at the October 2023 meeting at Shenandoah University. The recipient, Dr. Maripaz García, is a senior lector of Spanish at Yale University, and her article on virtual exchange in the undergraduate language classroom will be of interest to language instructors at all levels.

After years of serving as a copyeditor and managing associate editor of *MIFLC Review*, I am honored to present this volume to you in my current role as editor of the journal. I am inexplicably grateful to Dr. Eunice Rojas, our new managing associate editor, without whom this volume would not have been possible. Her passion and creativity are an inspiration, and I look forward to the growth and development of the journal during our time together.

I also would like to express deep gratitude to our readers and copyeditors, who invested hours of their time to maintain the integrity and quality of this volume. Finally, many thanks to Damon Reed of the University of Florida, a graduate student who generously offered to review a new monograph from one of our members. His review is the first since Volume 16, and we look forward to bringing more book reviews to our readership in the years to come.

On behalf of the editorial board, thank you for your continued support of this publication. We are excited to see you at Shenandoah this October and at East Tennessee State University next year.

With gratitude,

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