

## Dr Katerina Strani

I'm standing for election to the Senate so that I can contribute actively to the governance of the university. My commitment to HWU goes back two decades. I came to HWU in 1997 as an undergraduate student and graduated from LINCS. I returned to pursue a PhD while working as a Teaching Fellow. In 2013, I started my work in HWU as a Lecturer.

Overall, I have 15 years' experience of academic teaching; I have developed, delivered and coordinated standard and Global courses and I was nominated twice for a Learning and Teaching Oscar. In terms of research, I have secured EU funding and coordinated international projects with recorded impact. I have been Head of the Cultural Studies section in LINCS for 3 years and have overseen the development of new courses and cross-departmental PG programmes. I have also been nominated for a Spirit of Heriot-Watt award.

It would be a privilege and great opportunity for me to serve as Senator at an important time for the university, when maintaining academic standards while ensuring transparent governance is of paramount importance.