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Marit Sundelin is a teacher at the University of Tromsø, Norway.

She graduated in Nordic Languages from the University of Bergen, Norway, in 2007. She has been employed at the University of Tromsø since 2001.

Marit Sundelin teaches Norwegian language and language learning at the education of pre-school teachers. The last four years she has especially focused on the theme multilingualism.

In the period of 2007-2010 Sundelin was supervisor for 20 pre-schools in 5 different municipalities in the county of Troms, Norway. These pre-schools all had bilingual immigrant children, and were interested in learning more about both cultural diversity and multilingualism. At the end of this project, Marit Sundelin participated in the work of establishing a new curriculum in language learning. This was initiated by the Norwegian government.

Marit Sundelin has just started working at her PhD-project with headline: Multilingual children's meeting with Norwegian as a second language at pre-school. The project has two main focuses: 1) to illustrate how pre-schools interpret the guidelines from the national curriculum and is working with Norwegian as a second language, and 2) to what extent does teacher education prepare students for working with successive bilingual children and improving their language skills?