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Marianne Rodriguez Nygaard has a background as nurse and deacon. She has been working as a nurse in Norway, and with diakonia and development in poor areas in Ecuador. Her Master's degree in diakonia deals with "Empowerment as a diaconal challenge among people living in poverty in Latin America". She has also been working as a lecturer at Diakonova University College of nursing, teaching value based professionalism, diaconal perspectives, ethics in public health, and other subjects.

In LETRA she will be studying the learning and knowledge trajectories of deacons. Learning is understood in a wide sense, as relatively stable changes in behaviour, cognition, value-orientation and identity in individuals, groups and in relations between actors. Knowledge is here understood as Christian knowledge in a wide sense. Christian knowledge is understood as a language about God and the world. Knowledge includes practical, evaluative and tacit, as well as theoretical and explicit, knowledge.

Her project seeks to describe and analyse how deacons express and develop their Christian knowledge.

