The LitSIG and Creativity Group Scholarship

The aim of this scholarship, set up by the C-Group and the IATEFL Literature SIG, is to enable a practising teacher to attend and present at the 57th IATEFL Conference in Brighton. It focuses on a combination of creativity and literature, taking a broad conception of literature to include prose fiction, poetry, extensive reading, film, drama, interactive media, music, the visual arts and creative writing.

The scholarship consists of:
- Registration for the LitSIG Pre-Conference Event
- Registration for the IATEFL Conference
- A year’s IATEFL membership
- Subsistence allowance of GBP 30 per day for five days
- A maximum of GBP 1000.00 to include:
  - Travel costs - receipts necessary
  - 5 nights’ accommodation (maximum £100 a night) - receipts necessary

To qualify you must:
- be a practising teacher in tertiary, primary or secondary education, either in the state or the private sector
- have been a teacher for less than 10 years
- have not presented at an IATEFL Conference before
- agree, if you win the scholarship, to give a talk or workshop on the topic of creativity during the conference
- agree, if you win the scholarship, to submit a report by May 2024 for possible publication in the LitSIG Newsletter and in the Humanising Language Teaching Magazine, describing your creative idea
- agree, if you win the scholarship, to become a member of the C-Group and post a short report on your experience at the conference on the C-Group blog

To be considered you must submit:
- an online speaker proposal for the conference combining the topics of creativity and of literature in ELT by the scholarship deadline (looking at literature in the broad sense described above).
- an essay of between 400 and 500 words of ways in which you think you can contribute to encouraging creativity in your context, with a focus on using literature - either in your workplace or among other teachers in your country. Your contribution to encouraging creativity should be carried out with a focus on literature in its broad sense. (Note that this is different from the proposal; your essay should focus on other aspects of your work on creativity, rather than on the proposal that you are submitting for the conference.)

The submission deadline is 16.00 (UK time) on Wednesday 21 June 2023. Early submissions are very welcome; late submissions will not be considered.

The result of your application will be emailed to you between 7 and 21 August 2023. Please do NOT contact the IATEFL Head Office about scholarship decisions; the Scholarship Committee will send everyone the results as soon as they are available.