



Materials Writing Special Interest Group Scholarship

The aim of this scholarship, set up and funded by MaWSIG (Materials Writing Special Interest Group), is to cover the expenses of those who are interested in materials writing and development to attend both the IATEFL conference and the MaWSIG Pre-Conference Event and give a presentation as part of our Showcase Day.

The scholarship is for applicants hoping to speak at the IATEFL conference for the first time. Our aim is to widen participation in our Special Interest Group, and to bring fresh perspectives on materials writing and development. We welcome applications from first-time speakers who are interested in developing innovative materials for their own classroom, as well as those who are involved in developing materials for their institution, for publication or for dissemination via social media.

The scholarship consists of:

- Registration for the MaWSIG Pre-Conference Event
- Registration for the IATEFL Conference
- Mentoring to support the preparation of your presentation/workshop at the main IATEFL conference
- A year's IATEFL membership
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- £500 towards travel, accommodation and subsistence costs

To qualify you must:

- be involved in materials writing/development, for publication or for your own classroom
- be a first-time speaker at the IATEFL conference
- agree to give a presentation/workshop that will be part of the MaWSIG Showcase Day
- agree to write a blog post (700–1000 words) about our Pre-Conference Event (due two weeks after the event)
- agree to write a blog post (700–1000 words) summarising your Showcase presentation/workshop (due four weeks after the event)
- agree to make a 30-second video about your experience of being a MaWSIG scholarship winner after the event
- agree to be interviewed at a MaWSIG webinar approximately 6 months after the conference (e.g. about your materials, what you learned from attending the IATEFL conference, your experience of being a MaWSIG member)

To be considered you must submit:

- A speaker proposal for a talk or workshop on materials writing/development by the scholarship deadline
- an essay of 400–500 words addressing the following questions: "How would you benefit from attending the IATEFL conference? How would you contribute to MaWSIG during your year as a scholarship winner?"

The submission deadline is **16.00 (UK time) on Wednesday 18 June 2025**. Early submissions are very welcome; late submissions will not be considered.

The result of your application will be emailed to you between **12 and 22 August 2025**. 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.