

TDSIG Early Career Teacher Scholarship

Teacher development can come fast and steep in the first years of our professional careers. This scholarship, funded by the IATEFL Teacher Development Special Interest Group, acknowledges this teacher development slope, experienced by a recent graduate of a pre-service teacher training program and who is now early in their career. We aim to reward the dedication towards and effort on teaching training program coursework as well as the passion and zeal exhibited in how theory was applied practically in the classroom, and for their own and their peers' professional development within the field of ELT.

The scholarship consists of:

- IATEFL TDSIG Membership (as full individual IATEFL membership or additional SIG)
- registration for the TDSIG Pre-Conference Event
- registration for the IATEFL Conference
- 1,000.00 GBP towards conference-related expenses

To qualify you must:

- Have graduated in the past 3 years from a pre-service teacher training program that is accredited by a respected and recognized accreditation body, as viewed by the IATEFL TDSIG scholarship committee
- Have up to 3 years teaching experience
- Be a first-time IATEFL Conference attendee (not an Associate conference)
- Agree to do these things:
 - to be interviewed in advance of the conference to introduce yourself and your teaching/studying context, as well as at and after it to describe your experiences and takeaways as a participant. Both interviews may be recorded and used by TDSIG and/or IATEFL in their websites and social media platforms, at their discretion.
 - to create a video narrative of one minute length about your experiences as a new teacher - challenges, successes and ongoing areas of interest or curiosity
 - to produce a written reflective piece after the conference, in which you should focus on how your experiences at the conference have furthered your development - and how you intend on sharing this learning opportunity with your peers in your local teaching context.

All three pieces may be used by TDSIG for various uses in promotional material.

To be considered you must submit:

- a) A short piece of about 400 - 500 words, where you should clearly include: a description of your pre-service teacher training program; how you believe that attending the conference would impact / help you impact your teaching context.

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.