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TESOL International Association Announces 2017 Award Recipients

Alexandria, VA (16 March 2017) – Every year, [TESOL International Association](#) offers over 80 awards through its [Awards, Honors, and Grants Program](#). Nearly 100 TESOL members volunteer to support these awards by reviewing applications.

The recipients are being recognized for their service to the association and/or scholarship in the field of English language teaching. The award recipients will be honored at the [2017 TESOL International Convention & English Language Expo](#), 21–24 March in Seattle, Washington, USA.

The 2017 award recipients are

- [Outstanding Advocate Honor](#): Gil Mendoza, Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, USA
- [The TESOL Virginia French Allen Award for Scholarship and Service](#): Cynthia M. Schuemann, Miami Dade College, USA
- [The Mary Finocchiaro Award for Excellence in Unpublished Pedagogical Materials](#): Amanda Swearingen, University of Texas at San Antonio, USA
- [The Ruth Crymes TESOL Fellowship for Graduate Study](#): Ju Seong (John) Lee, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA
- [The TESOL Award for an Outstanding Paper on NNEST Issues](#): Li-Shih Huang, University of Victoria, Canada
- [The D. Scott Enright TESOL Interest Section Service Award](#): Nikki Ashcraft, University of Missouri, USA
- [The TESOL Award for Distinguished Research](#): Gary Barkhuizen, University of Auckland, New Zealand

TESOL previously announced the 2017 recipients of the [James E. Alatis Award for Service to TESOL](#), [TESOL President's Award](#), and [TESOL Teacher of the Year](#).

TESOL also awards scholarships and travel grants to enable TESOL members to attend the annual TESOL Convention & English Language Expo. Sponsors of those awards include Betty Azar, [ETS](#), [Eastern Carolina University](#), and the [English Language Institute, University of Pittsburgh](#).

About TESOL International Association

Founded in 1966, [TESOL International Association](https://www.tesol.org) is a professional community of educators, researchers, administrators, and students committed to advancing excellence in English language teaching for speakers of other languages worldwide. With more than 12,000 members representing over 150 countries, TESOL fosters the exchange of ideas, research, and peer-to-peer knowledge, and provides expertise, resources, and a powerful voice on issues affecting the profession. Through professional development programs, its international conference, special interest groups, and publications, TESOL engages tens of thousands of professionals to collaborate globally and create a world of opportunity for millions of people of all ages who want to learn English. For more information, please visit www.tesol.org.

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