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TESOL International Association Installs New President, Board Members

Alexandria, VA (26 April 2019) – [TESOL International Association](#), the trusted global authority for knowledge and expertise in English language teaching, recently installed Deborah Healey as its new president, along with three new board members, at the [TESOL International Convention & English Language Expo](#), held 13–15 March 2019 in Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

Healey serves as Emeritus faculty at the [University of Oregon](#), Oregon, USA. She will serve a one-year term as the association’s president. Healey has taught online teacher training courses for the [American English Institute](#) at the University of Oregon, primarily focusing on technology in education. She is a contributor to two TESOL Technology Standards publications and has presented extensively throughout the world. Her recent areas of research include gamification, language and identity in the Middle East, massive open online courses, and online teaching approaches.

Additionally, Deborah Short, Director and Founder of Academic Language Research & Training in Virginia, USA, was installed as president-elect. Previously, Short was a division director at the Center for Applied Linguistics, where she co-developed the SIOP Model for sheltered instruction. She has directed research and evaluation studies on English learners and their program designs.

Other newly installed board members include Grazzia Mendoza Chirinos, [USAID Honduras](#), Honduras; Justin Shewell, [Arizona State University](#), Arizona, USA; and Debra Suarez, U.S. Federal Government, District of Columbia, USA.

After serving as the association’s president, Luciana de Oliverira, [University of Miami](#), Florida, USA, has moved to the post of past president.

TESOL recognizes the service and dedication of its officers and board members. Board members whose terms expired in March include: Ester de Jong, [University of Florida](#), Florida, USA; Deborah Crusan, [Wright State University](#), Ohio, USA; Silvia Laborde, [Alianza Cultural Uruguay-Estados Unidos](#), Uruguay; and Shelley Taylor, [Western University](#), Canada.

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TESOL International Association is the trusted global authority for knowledge and expertise in English language teaching. A professional community of more than 10,000 educators representing over 150 countries, TESOL fosters the exchange of ideas to advance the expertise of those teaching English while supporting equity, diversity, and multilingualism. For over 50 years, TESOL has strived to advance its mission with programs, publications, and services to expand its global presence and connectivity throughout the field, share its knowledge and expertise, and amplify its voice through advocacy. For more information, please visit www.tesol.org.

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