

AAAL Business Meeting

March 24, 2025 | Denver, CO

Land Acknowledgement

Peter De Costa, AAAL President

Land Acknowledgement

AAAL acknowledges that we are on the traditional territories and ancestral homelands of Hinonoeino (Arapaho), Tsitsista (Cheyenne), and Nunt'zi (Ute). We recognize the descendant communities of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana, the Northern Arapaho Tribe of Wyoming, the Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe of Colorado. We also acknowledge that over 40 different Indigenous nations continue to be in relation with the lands currently called Colorado.

Land Acknowledgement

We further acknowledge the painful history of the Sand Creek Massacre and forced removal of Indigenous communities. Let us reflect upon the genocidal acts against Indigenous peoples and commit to dismantling ongoing colonial legacies and oppression. May this acknowledgement demonstrate a commitment to center our relations in research and build relational accountability to the Indigenous communities that call this place home.

Rules of Order

Agnes He, AAAL Secretary

Rules of Order (1/3)

- The agenda sets the order of business for the meeting; the meeting will proceed according to the agenda.

Rules of Order (2/3)

- If anyone would like to discuss a new topic or consider a new proposal not on the agenda, they should:
 - contact the Chair(s) of the relevant committee(s) or
 - participate in the discussion session with AAAL leaders immediately after the Annual Business meeting

Rules of Order (3/3)

- It is important to follow parliamentary procedure to ensure the meeting runs efficiently and fairly.

Approval of the Agenda

Peter De Costa, AAAL President

Approval of the 2024 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Agnes He, AAAL Secretary

Report of the President

Peter De Costa, AAAL President

President's Report

- 1,792 conference registrations



Courtesy Resolution Announcement

- Resolutions Committee:

Ron Darvin (Chair) | Jayson Parba | Mi Yung Park | Peter De Costa

That the American Association for Applied Linguistics at the opening of each annual conference make a land acknowledgment that recognizes the land in which the conference is being held as the traditional and ancestral territory of particular Indigenous Peoples.

Task Force 1: Conference Task Force

- To explore the possibility of a virtual conference in addition to the in-person conference*

Task Force 2: Membership Task Force

- To (re)design the membership survey
- Task force members: Fares Karam (Chair); Kathleen Bailey, Dylan Burton, Elizabeth Huntley, Yang Gao, Jennifer Phuong, Kerry Pusey, Shaila Sultana, Valerie Smith (AAAL Managing Director)

Membership Task Force: Survey Results

- 89 % likely to renew their membership
- 77.41% were moderately or very satisfied with their membership
- AAAL's areas of strength: providing outstanding conference content (94% of members would recommend the conference to a colleague), quality webinars and workshops, and important field-specific promotion and tenure guidelines

Membership Task Force: Recommendations

- Allocating resources to develop and implement a plan to increase the efficiency of outreach and communication with current and prospective AAAL members.
- Make the conference more accessible.
- Continue promoting high-quality and impactful research while maintaining a commitment to JEDI issues.

#1. Communicating with AAAL members

- Online Education & Research Committee*
- AAAL Executive Committee Statement on the Executive Order Designating English as the Official Language of the United States (March 11, 2025)
- AAAL Executive Committee Statement on the U.S. Department of Education Workforce Reduction (March 18, 2025)
- Listening sessions at Denver 2025: (1) Open discussion forum on 3/23 (Applied Linguists and the Current U.S. Administration); (2) Public Affairs and Engagement Committee Open Meeting on 3/23 ; and (3) Listening session (immediately after this business meeting)

#2. Making the Conference More Accessible

- Conference Connections Committee*
- Graduate Student Council*
- Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee*
- Virtual conference 2026*

#3. Promoting High-Quality & Impactful Research

- Online Education & Research Committee*
- Complimentary Access to Publications
 - *New Annual Review of Applied Linguistics (the official journal of AAAL)* contract with Cambridge University Press has been signed; \$10,000 invoice to AAAL will be waived
 - Multilingual Matters to provide watermarked pdfs of 20 selected book titles to be hosted on the members-only area of the AAAL website



In Memoriam:
John Swales
(1938-2025)

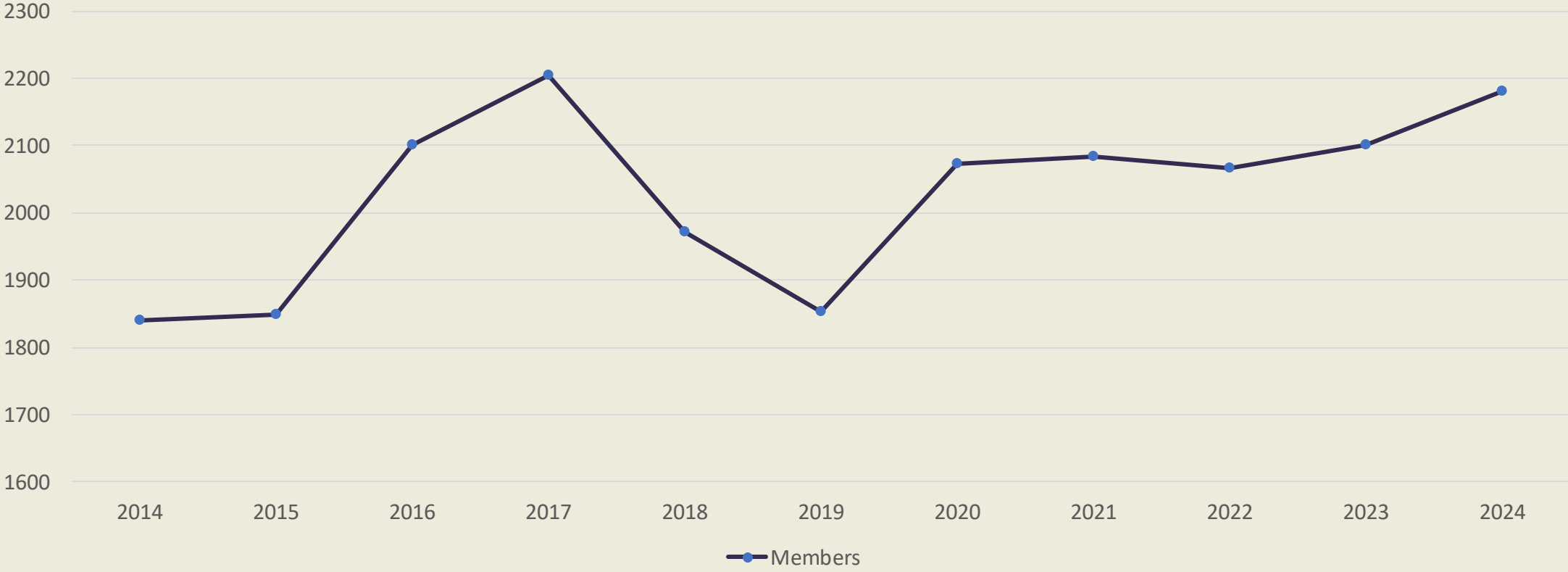


Report of the Treasurer

Scott Jarvis, AAAL Treasurer

10-Year Membership Average

Members



Balance Sheet - Assets

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Checking Account	512,241	487,919	556,947
Accounts Receivable	9,205	915	11,565
Undeposited Funds	52,052	2,763	1,996
AAAL Investments	720,983	902,696	1,012,174
Total FFAL Investments	290,669	383,104	406,012
Prepaid Expenses	27,239	102,097	164,283
Total Current Assets	\$ 1,612,389	\$ 1,879,494	\$ 2,152,977
Total Other Assets*	\$ 153,112	\$ 133,112	\$ -
Total Assets	\$ 1,765,501	\$ 2,012,606	\$ 2,152,977
*Total Other Assets - Deposits for 2025 Conference			

Balance Sheet – Liabilities/Equity

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	23,161	21,412	1,675
Accrued Expenses	304	409	544
Sponsor, Exhibitor, Advertisements	13,200	21,200	15,400
Deferred Funded Colloquium	-	-	-
Deferred Conference Registration	370,236	337,454	352,955
Deferred Membership Revenue	100,777	94,760	98,830
Deferred Revenue - Other	4,000		2,400
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 511,678	\$ 475,235	\$ 471,804
EQUITY			
Retained Earnings	1,354,502	1,253,825	1,510,731
Board Designated Funds - JEDI			26,640
Net Income	(100,677)	283,546	143,802

Conference Income Summary

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Funded Colloquium	5,097	10,000	-
Grant Income	-	-	2,000
Other Income	-	-	-
Registration	304,673	433,657	402,568
Publisher Exhibits	22,575	26,475	27,900

Conference Expense Summary

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
A/V Expenses	123,057	109,263	131,975
App	7,250	6,599	5,099
Total Conference Management			
Conference Committee Expense	11,888	7,622	10,948
Conference Proposal System	19,657	15,675	16,025
Credit Card Fees Conference	13,316	12,441	13,425
Conference Cancellation fee			
Exhibit area setup	12,166	13,882	16,491
Food & Beverage	98,191	86,868	111,922
Indigenous Language Scholarship	2,000	4,000	4,500
Interpreter	4,604	9,953	11,880
Speaker Honorarium			
Other Expenses	11,963	(8,622)	2,852
Podiums			2,455
Paid Rooms	(14,156)	(7,876)	-
Poster Sessions	813	-	-
Total Pre-Conference Workshop	1,000	833	1,000
Total Printing and Copying	2,709	1,913	3,054
Registration	763	1,358	188
Shipping Charges	1,060	6,242	1,687
Sponsorship Commission	3,020	2,825	3,295
Total Travel	29,233	41,926	30,735
Total Conference Expenses	\$ 328,533	\$ 304,900	\$ 367,529

Conference Income Statement

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Conference Income	332,345	470,132	432,468
Conference Expenses	328,533	304,900	367,529
Net Conference Income	\$ 3,812	\$ 165,232	\$ 64,939

Income Summary

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Income from Operations			
Membership Dues	192,006	193,389	190,553
Book Award Processing Fees	1,100	1,800	1,100
Conference Income	332,345	470,132	432,468
Other Income	1,000	31	-
Student Travel Awards		4,000	-
Total Income from Operations	526,451	669,352	624,121
Total Income from Investments	(80,202)	141,672	158,224
Total Income	\$ 446,250	\$ 811,024	\$ 782,345

Expense Summary

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Expenses			
ARAL subscription expense	-	-	-
Association Memberships	19,573	14,135	14,364
Awards Committee	8,203	12,057	14,810
Bank Charges	1,025	1,030	1,066
Conference Expenses	328,533	304,900	367,528
Credit card transactions	5,201	5,793	5,181
Investment Expenses			
Leadership Expenses	23,605	24,142	27,509
Legal/Professional Fees	10,002	2,906	16,379
Management Fee	133,896	145,944	172,005
Office Expenses	16,589	16,569	19,700
Strategic Plan Initiatives			
Total Expenses	\$ 546,627	\$ 527,477	\$ 638,543

Income Statement

	<u>Jan - Dec 2022</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 2024</u>
Total Operating Income	526,151	669,352	624,122
Total Operating Expenses	546,627	527,477	638,543
Net Income From Operations	\$ (20,476)	\$ 141,875	\$ (14,421)
Total Non Operating Income (Investments)	(80,202)	141,672	158,223
Total Non-Operating Expenses (Strategic Plan)	-	-	-
Total Net Income	\$ (100,677)	\$ 283,547	\$ 143,802

Report of the Secretary: International Association for Applied Linguistics (AILA)

Agnes He, AAAL Secretary

AILA New Leadership

- AILA-Executive Board and International Committee (EBIC) meeting on August 11th, 2024, in Kuala Lumpur.
- Key selection criteria for new leadership included prior experience serving AILA (or its national affiliates) and diversity in regional representation.

2024 Election Results

- President - Kyria Finardi
- Vice-President - Markus Bieswanger
- Secretary General - Glenda El Gamal
- Treasurer - Rasmus Steinkrauss
- Past President - Azirah Hashim
- Research Networks Coordinator - Grégory Miras
- Publications Coordinators - Susanna Nocchi and Chris Jenks
- Members-at-large - Tarja Nikula, María Luisa Carrió-Pastor, Kendall King and Ee-Ling Low
- AILA Congress Coordinator - Christina Gitsaki

Congratulations & Thanks

- Congratulations to Kendall King, new AILA Member-at-Large
- Thank you, Laura Gurzynski-Weiss, immediate past AILA Secretary General

AILA Congresses

- The 2024 Congress held in Malaysia (2nd of the 2-consecutive-year of celebration of AILA's 60th anniversary) attracted about 1700 participants (both in person and online)
- The 2027 Congress will take place in Canada-Vancouver
- The 2030 Congress will take place in Australia-Perth
- AILA Solidarity Awards

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

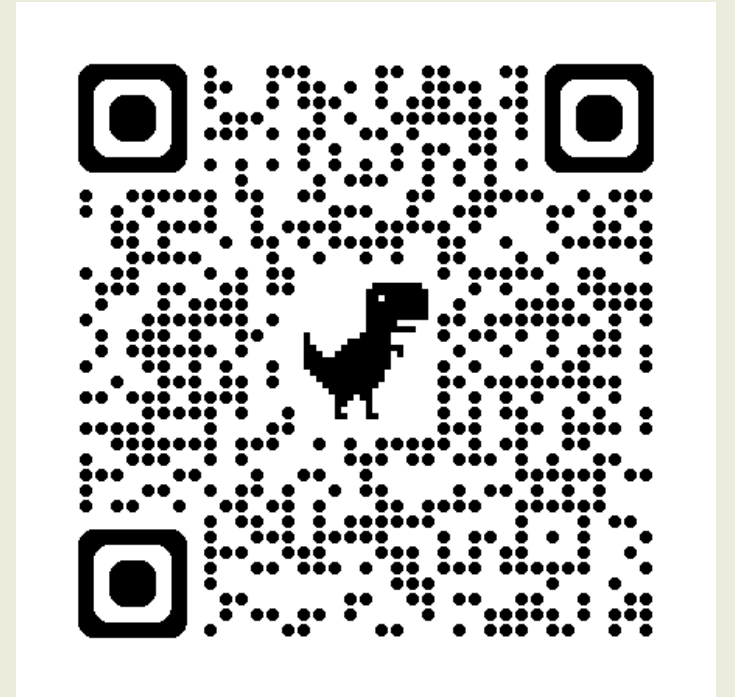
Elizabeth Miller and Ashley Moore, Co-Chairs

Current Members

- Usree Bhattacharya, University of Georgia (JEDI Officer on the Executive Committee, starting in March, 2025)
- Suresh Canagarajah, Pennsylvania State University
- Jennifer Phuong, Swarthmore College
- Elizabeth Miller, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- Ashley Moore, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto
- Trish Morita-Mullaney, Purdue University

Developed Harassment Policy

- Approved by Executive Committee in June 2024
- <https://www.aaal.org/aaal-policy-on-harassment>



Standing Rule Changes

- Recommended changes to Standing Rule Travel Policy (#17, D.4.a) and Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations (#17, F):
 - Less legalese, more welcoming language to encourage requests for accommodations and underscore AAAL's commitment to doing whatever it can to make the conference accessible to all.
 - Removal of unnecessary requirements/restrictions.
- Approved by the Executive Committee in October 2024

JEDI-Related Data Analysis from 2024 Conference Survey

- Based on analysis, 21 recommendations to the EC included:
 - Striking a conference task force to explore radical rethinking
 - Ensuring more inclusive conference programs
 - Embedding Inclusive Presenter Guidelines & Anti-Harassment Policy
 - Maximizing accessible movement during the conference
 - More direct consultation with equity-deserving groups

Nominating Committee for 2025 Elections

Prepared by Jamie Schissel (Chair) and
Ryuko Kubota (Executive Committee
Representative)

Nominating Committee Members

Voting members

- Gail Prasad (York University)
 - Gail will serve an incoming NomCo Chair for 2026 elections
- James Coda (University of Tennessee, Knoxville)
- Prem Phyak (Teachers College, Columbia University)
- Kevin Wong (Pepperdine University)

Non-voting members

- Jamie Schissel (Univ. Of North Carolina at Greensboro) Chair
- Ryuko Kubota (University of British Columbia) Executive Committee representative

Overview of the work

- 3 online meetings to determine list of candidates
- Rank voting of candidates to determine order to contact candidate
- Follow-up email discussions to increase the pool of candidates for 2nd VP position
- Collaborate with AAAL office to collect bio statements and pictures.

Final candidates (vote 1 each)

2nd Vice President:

Glenn Martinez

Secretary:

Virak Chan

Member-at-Large:

Doris Warriner

FFAL Trustee:

Scott Jarvis

Nominating Committee (vote 4)

Lawrence Zhang

Bedrettin Yazan

Tracy Quan

Nelson Flores

Kevin McManus

Miguel Pérez Milans

Dustin Crowther

Shaofeng Li

First Book/Book Award Committee (vote 2)

Hyun-Sook Kang

Peter Sayer

Jerry Won Lee

David Cassels Johnson

Dissertation Award Committee (vote 3)

Stephen May

Katie Bernstein

Maverick Zhang

Paul Meighan

Distinguished Public Service Award Committee (DPSA) (vote 2)

Christine Montecillo Leider

Pia Lane

Yilin Sun

Andrea Sterzuk

Questions moving forward

- Use of JEDI statements as part of criteria
- Additional appointment of veteran AAAL members

Report of the Graduate Student Council

John Wayne dela Cruz &
Nasiba Norova, Co-Chairs

Steering Committee



- **Co-Chairs:** John Wayne N. dela Cruz, McGill University, and Nasiba Norova, University of Massachusetts Boston
- **JEDI and GSC secretary:** John Odudele, University of Alaska Fairbanks
- **Newsletter:** Sarah Howard, Oregon State University
- **Event-Planning:** Furkan Kir, University of Washington
- **Social Media:** Myssan Laycy, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Graduate Research Roundtable Organizing Team:

- Myssan Laycy
- Nasiba Norova
- John Wayne N. dela Cruz



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Navigating dissertating and teaching: Affordances and challenges of the...

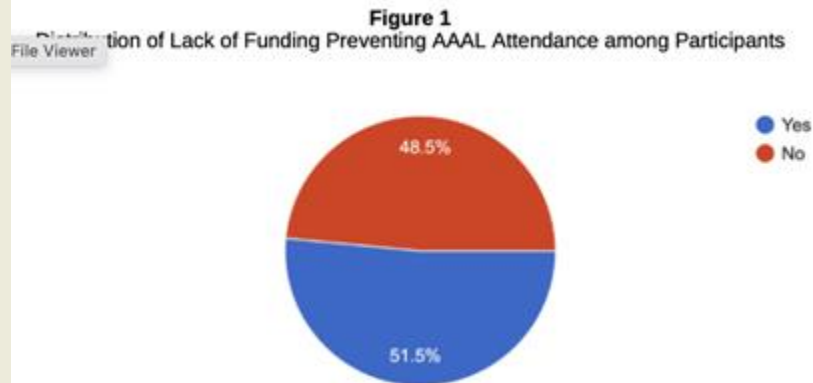
Alexandra Krasova, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
While pursuing my PhD, I have been simultaneously working at the American...

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Towards Inclusivity: A Report on the AAAL Graduate Student Council's JEDI Survey Findings

By Chia-Hsin [Jennifer] Yin (The Ohio State University), Nasiba Norova (University of Massachusetts Boston), Brittany Finch (Michigan State University), Yixuan Wang (University of Georgia), John Odudele (University of Alaska Fairbanks), and Carla Consolon (The University of Oregon)



AAAL GSC WEBINAR SERIES

CAPTURING INTERACTION: QUALITATIVE INTERVIEWS AND ANALYZING ACTION IN INTERACTION

● November 22 - 6 pm EST
on Zoom

QUALITATIVE DATA COLLECTION

This workshop will be
helpful for anyone
hoping to do work with
qualitative research!



Dr. Steven Talmy

Theorizing Qualitative Research

Interviews

Associate Professor

Department of Language &

Literacy Education at the

University of British Columbia.



Dr. Angel M. Y. Lin

Analyzing Action in Interaction

Chair Professor of Language, Literacy,
and Social Semiotics in Education at
the Education University of Hong Kong



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2025

AAAL GSC JEDI Seminar: Thriving in an Anti-JEDI Climate

Register Now to Attend:

[https://iu.zoom.us/meeting/registrer/jAbjgEnhTLWaWCY9Er_Qiw](https://iu.zoom.us/j/9876543210)



Meeting ID:

832 9012 1705

Hosted By: AAAL Graduate Student Council

grad@aaal.org

<https://www.aaal.org/graduate-student-council>

<https://www.aaal-gsc.org/>

Invited Speakers

Dr. Sinfree Makoni

Professor & African Studies
Program Director,
Pennsylvania State
University



Dr. Elisabeth L. Chan

Professor, Northern Virginia
Community College -
Alexandria



**Feb. 22nd
2025
9am-10am EST**

AAAL
GRADUATE STUDENTS

AAAL
JEDI



GSC JEDI Booth




GRADUATE RESEARCH ROUNDTABLE 2025

CHOOSE YOUR MENTORS & ATTEND!

Friday, March 21, 2025
 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm, MST
 Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel


Details & Registration click [HERE](#):



				
YASMINE ROMERO UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII-WEST O'AHU	BEDRETTIN YAZAN UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO	KIMBERLY URBANSKI UMASS BOSTON	JASPAL NAVEEL SINGH THE OPEN UNIVERSITY, UK	LISYA SELONI ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
				
CRISTINA SANCHEZ- MARTIN UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON	KEVIN WONG PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY	SENDER DOVCHIN CURTIN UNIVERSITY	QUENTIN WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE	CHRIS MONTECILLO LEIDER UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS LOWELL
				
ANNA MENDOZA UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS- URBANA CHAMPAIGN	L. J. RANDOLPH JR. UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON	WESLEY Y. LEONARD UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE	HAYRIYE KAYI- AYDAR UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA	TRISH MORITA- MULLANEY PURDUE UNIVERSITY




AAAL GSC CONFERENCE PANEL


NAVIGATING SYSTEMIC CHALLENGES IN DECOLONIAL APPLIED LINGUISTICS: FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE



Time: Sunday, March 23, 2025, 12:30-1:45 pm MST
Location: Tower Court C (Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver, CO)
Register here: <https://forms.gle/u2bWSy725haEHIdq9>

The panel will focus on the practical realities of decolonial work in applied linguistics. The panelists will discuss how applied linguists navigate systemic challenges, including success stories, and share actionable insights for applying decolonial theory in practice.

		
RYUKO KUBOTA UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	SURESH CANAGARAJAH PENN STATE UNIVERSITY	NELSON FLORES UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA


<https://www.aaal-gsc.org/>

Organized by: AAAL Graduate Student Council Event Planning Subcommittee (Furkan Kir, Alyson Horan, Ying Luo, Onesmo Mushi)

Report of the Online Education & Research Committee

Katherine Christofferson,
Chair

Steve Moody, Vice Chair



Who is the OEOC?

The OEOC is charged with ensuring AAAL is **digitally accessible** and provides opportunities for **online education and connection**.

Achieved primarily by:

- Generating or overseeing generation of digital content
- Identifying web content for members and nonmembers
- Overseeing online member networking efforts

2024-2025 OEOC Subcommittees

AAA Letter

Chaired by:

**Dr. Sarah
Hercula**



Online Content & Development

Chaired by:

**Dr. Marda
Rose**



Professional Development

Chaired by:

**Dr. James
Mischler**



Social Media

Chaired by:

**Dr. Svetlana
Koltovskaia**



Webinar

Chaired by:

**Dr. Katharine
Burns**



AAALetter

NEWS FROM SIBLING ORGANIZATIONS

IATEFL: BRIDGING THE GAP IN GLOBAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING

ALEKSANDRA POPOVSKI COLUBOVIKJ, SYMMETRY TEACHER TRAINING, SKOPJE, NORTH MACEDONIA

PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (IATEFL)



READ MORE IN THE *AAALetter*

FROM THE EDITORS

AAAL 2024 MEMBERSHIP AT A GLANCE

2024 MEMBERSHIP

2,088 total members

as of October 31st



906 new members

between January 1st and October 31st

THE AAALETTER EDITORIAL TEAM



MEMBERSHIP BY COUNTRY



MEMBERSHIP BY TYPE



AAALetter

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR APPLIED LINGUISTICS

Online Content & Development

The Beginning of AAAL: Memories of the first conference and the start of the organization

Susan Gass, Elaine Tarone, Andrew Cohen and Bill Grabe offer their memories of how AAAL went from being a small part of LSA (Linguistic Society of America) to being the incredible organization it is today.



Fund for the Future of Applied Linguistics


Bill Grabe talks about his efforts to start this fund and support graduate students in the field of Applied Linguistics.



Social Media

AAAL's ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN FOR EQUITY


Highlighting **THE GLOBAL SOUTH STUDIES:
AFRICAN PERSPECTIVES**



Featuring
Marcelyn Oostendorp
Stellenbosch University

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Highlighting **THE GLOBAL SOUTH STUDIES:
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Featuring
Salikoko S. Mufwene
University of Chicago

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AFRICAN PERSPECTIVES**



Featuring
Michael R. Marlo
University of Missouri

Webinars



Hosted by AAAL's Online Education and Outreach Committee and TESOL International PK12



UPCOMING JOINT AAAL/TESOL PK12 WEBINAR

Intentionally Supporting Multilingual PK-12 Learners: Connecting Research to Practice



Dr. Shakina Rajendram



Dr. Ruslana Westerlund

Saturday,
Nov. 9, 2024

11 am – 12:30 pm
US/Canada ET

REGISTRATION OPEN!

DESCRIPTION

Join us for a webinar on intentional teaching practices for PreK-12 multilingual learners. This 90-minute session will feature presentations from Dr. Shakina Rajendram and Dr. Ruslana Westerlund, two scholars who are shaping this field, along with a Q&A segment. Their talks will highlight their own unique approaches to supporting PreK-12 learners and give concrete examples of successful methods and recent projects.

OPEN TO AAAL AND TESOL MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS
A RECORDING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND.

Hosted by AAAL's Online Education and Outreach Committee

UPCOMING WEBINAR

AI in Applied Linguistics: ChatGPT and Language Teaching



Dr. Lucas Kohnke

The Education University of
Hong Kong



Dr. Carol Chapelle

Iowa State University

21
January
2025

9:30 AM EST

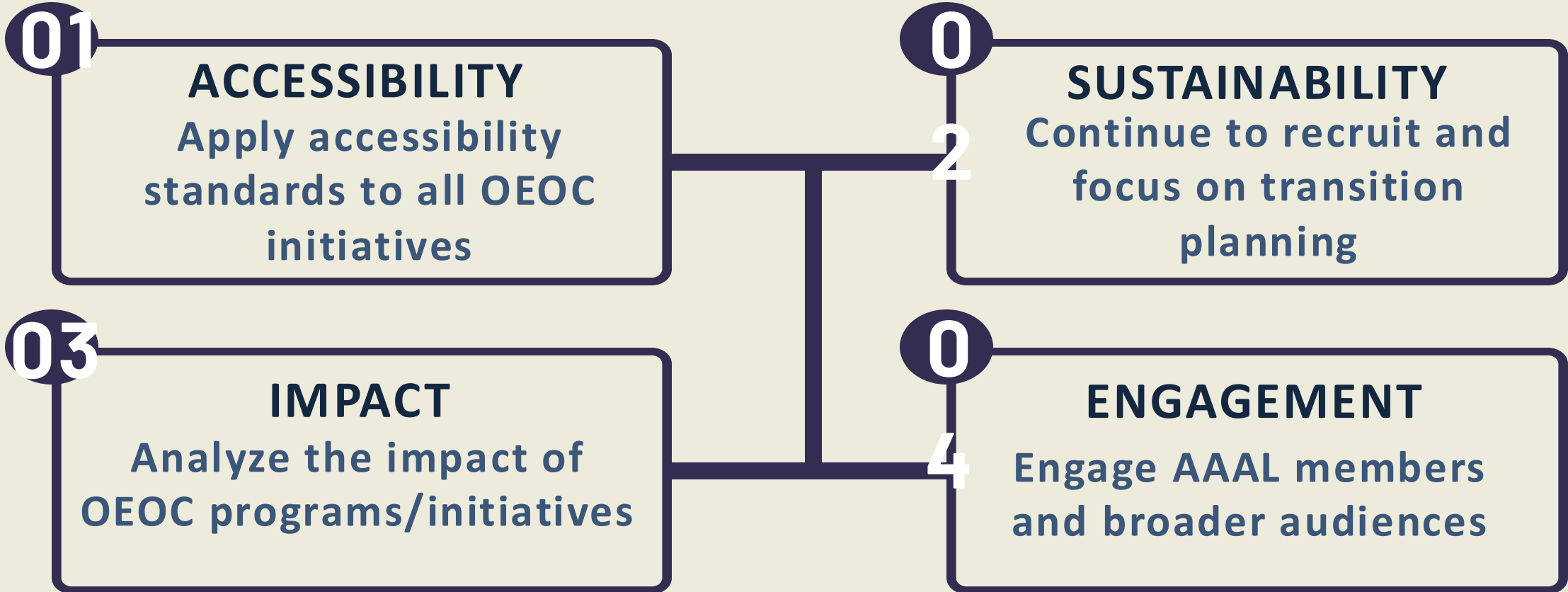
REGISTRATION OPEN!

DESCRIPTION

Please join us for the second webinar in our series on AI in Applied Linguistics featuring Dr. Carol Chapelle and Dr. Lucas Kohnke. This one-hour session will focus on language teaching and ChatGPT and will highlight current topics, themes, and research related to teacher training, professional development, and pedagogy. Speakers will also identify key future directions in this area of applied linguistics scholarship and participate in a Q&A with attendees following their presentations.

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Goals for 2024-2025

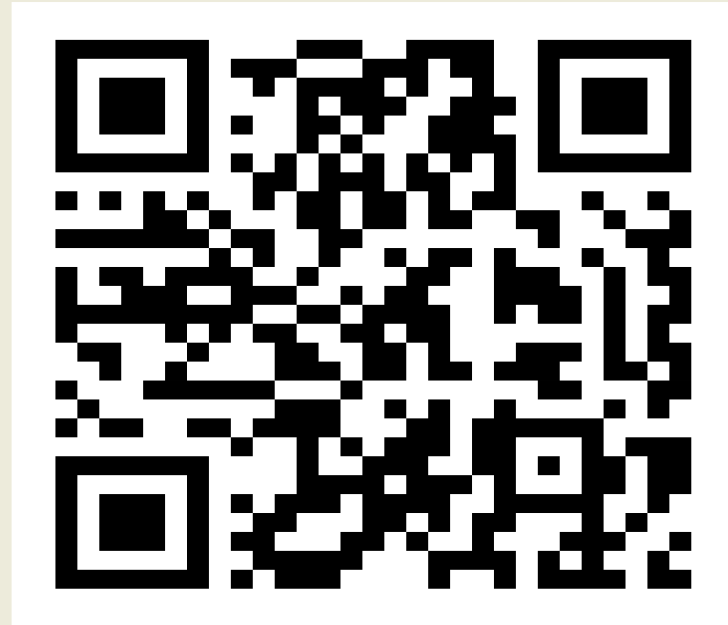


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Report of the Committee on Conference Connections

Irina Zaykovskaya, Chair

Conference Connections Committee

- In Ji Sera Chun (University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa)
- Mari Haneda (Pennsylvania State University)
- Anna Mendoza (University of Illinois U-C)
- Irasema Mora Pablo (Universidad de Guanajuato)
- Ji-Young Shin (University of Toronto)
- Kevin W.H. Tai (Hong Kong University)
- John Wayne dela Cruz (McGill University)
- Irina Zaykovskaya (University of Minnesota) - chair

Conference Connections News

- Updated questionnaires for better matching
- Dedicated space (thanks to the 2025 OC!)
- List of local places to meet (thanks to the AAAL team!)

2025 Program Statistics

- 195 mentees
- 139 mentors
- 57 mentors meet two mentees or one mentee + group
- 38 small groups focused on general mentoring
- 102 individual meetings for advanced mentoring

Looking into the Future

- **Thanks** to the members whose term is ending in March 2025:
 - In Ji Sera Chun (University of Hawai'i at Mānoa)
 - Irasema Mora Pablo (Universidad de Guanajuato)
- We are looking for ways to improve mentor recruitment

Report of the First Vice President

Manka Varghese, AAAL First Vice President

AAAL 2025 in Denver

- 1,792 conference registrations (as of this morning)
- Number of sessions for 25 strands (as of 3/3/25):
- 5 plenaries 7 invited colloquia
- 706 paper presentations
- 128 poster presentations
- 293 roundtable presentations
- 31 two-hour colloquia
- 17 one-hour colloquia

New(er) Efforts

- Plenary & invited colloquium connections
- Continued efforts to partner with Indigenous scholars, community members, and students
- Strengthening partnership with GSC
- JEDI
 - Funds that are not yearly JEDI expenses (criteria still being worked out)
 - Accommodations (zoom room, inclusive presenter guidelines)
 - Interfaith room; family area/space; lactation room; tranquility space
 - Affinity group expansions
 - Attempts with publishers/exhibits

Report of the Second Vice President

Mari Haneda, AAAL Second Vice President

2026 Plenaries

- Sible Andringa, Amsterdam Center for Language and Communication, University of Amsterdam
Towards Equitable Open Access: Reimagining Publishing Practices for Applied Linguistics
- Jenny Davis, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Indigenous Language Futurism as both Methodology and Ethics in Applied Linguistics



2026 Plenaries

- Becky Huang, Ohio State University
Language and Literacy Assessment for Young Multilingual Learners: Myths, Challenges, and Promises
- Scott Jarvis, Northern Arizona University
Applied Linguistics and the Law: Synergy in Research and Practice



2026 Plenaries

- Kimberly Noels, University of Alberta
A Perspective on Language Learning from the Intersection of Psychology, Communication and Applied Linguistics
- Ruanni Tupas, Institute of Education, University College London
De-centering Language in Applied Linguistics



2026 Invited Colloquia

- *Open Scholarship in Applied Linguistics: Toward More Accessible, Transparent, and Responsible Research*
Organized by Phil Hiver, Florida State University and Meng Liu, Beijing Foreign Studies University
- *Disability Studies and the Deconstruction of Linguistic Normativity*
Organized by Usree Bhattacharya, University of Georgia and Sara E.N. Kangas, Lehigh University

2026 Invited Colloquia

- *Reimagining Disciplinary Writing: Leveraging Digital Multimodal Genres for Sharing Applied Linguistics Research with Broad Audiences*

Organized by Matt Kessler, University of South Florida and Christine Tardy, University of Arizona

- *Unbooking Applied Linguistics*

Organized by Sinfree Makoni, Pennsylvania State University and Magdalena Madany-Saa, University of Oslo

2026 Invited Colloquia

- *Critical PAR in Applied Linguistics and Language Education: Advancing Social Justice Through Decolonizing Research*
Organized by Kongji Qin, New York University, Jamie Schissel, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- *Artificial Intelligence in Applied Linguistics: Applications, Promises and Challenges*
Organized by Andrea Révész and Shungo Suzuki

2026 Invited Colloquia

- *Many Paths to Healthy and Vibrant Indigenous Languages, Speakers and Communities*

Organized by Belinda Daniels, University of Victoria and Andrea Sterzuk, University of Regina

- *Plurilingual Pedagogies for Linguistic Justice: Moving Beyond Traditional Bilingualism*

Organized by Angelica Galante, McGill University and Pramod Sah, The Education University of Hong Kong

Pre-Conference Workshop Leaders: University of Illinois - Chicago

- *Transforming Language Teacher Education
Research/Practice Through Vygotskian Sociocultural Theory*
Paula Golombek, University of Florida and Jacob Rieker,
Pennsylvania State University
- *Future-Proofing Your Findings Through Registration: An
Open Research Workshop*
Kara Morgan-Short, University of Illinois – Chicago and
Bronson Hui, University of Maryland – College Park

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- *Research in Action: Conducting Useful Language Program Evaluations*

Matt Coss, Michigan State University, Claudia Fernandez, University of Illinois – Chicago and Koenraad Van Gorp, Michigan State University

2026 Local Conference Chair

- Kara Morgan-Short
University of Illinois - Chicago



Virtual Conference Announcement

Ryuko Kubota, Conference Task Force Chair
Peter De Costa & Stephanie Link, Co-Chairs

Conference Task Force

- Conference Task Force recommended AAAL offer one-day online conference in April 2026.
- Ryuko Kubota (Chair), University of British Columbia
- Irasema Mora-Pablo, Universidad de Guanajuato, Mexico
- Masatoshi Sato, Universidad Andres Bello, Chile
- Melanie Wong, University of British Columbia, Canada
- Yanning (Anna) Dong, Tsinghua University, China
- Ali Fuad Selvi, University of Alabama, USA
- Kerry Pusey, University of Pennsylvania, USA, graduate student

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AAAL Virtual Conference

Co-Chairs: Peter De Costa and Stephanie Link

Committee: Melanie Wong, Robert Randez, Carlo Cinaglia, Matt Coss, Mukib Khan

Why extend online?



Accessibility

Empowering more individuals to actively participate and engage in our AAAL community.



Global Networking

Connecting global experts and peers across geographic boundaries.



Expanded Member Benefits

Increasing the value of your AAAL membership with extended learning, exclusive content, and greater engagement.

What are the details?



Dates/Time

- April 24, one month after the 2026 conference in Chicago
- One-day conference
- 9:00 am EDT to 7:00 pm EDT



Location

- Whova app
- Zoom



Submission

- July 15, 2025
 - Same as in-person conference
 - Submit either for in-person or online, not both

What will be included?

- Live opening and closing sessions
- Live Plenary to launch the conference
- Colloquia
- Paper presentations with live Q&A
- Posters sessions with asynchronous, text-based commenting.
- Networking sessions
- Live roundtables (3 papers, 10 minutes each, 30 minutes for Q&A)
- Graduate Student Forum

Plenary



Shawn Loewen

Technology and Tasks in Instructed
Second Language Acquisition

Invited Colloquium

Artificial Intelligence in Applied Linguistics: Applications, Promises and Challenges

Organized by: Andrea Révész & Shungo Suzuki

Papers:

- Developing and assessing second language listening and speaking: Does AI make it better? - Christine Goh & Vahid Aryadoust
- NLP-powered quantitative verification of the English Grammar Profile's structure level assignment - Daniela Verratti-Souto, Nelly Sagirov, & Xiaobin Chen
- The capacity of ChatGPT-4 for L2 writing assessment: A closer look at accuracy, specificity, and relevance - Aysel Saricaoglu & Zeynep Bilki
- Automatic scoring of a German written elicited imitation test - Anastasia Drackert and Ronja Laarmann-Quante
- Ethical AI for language assessment: Principles, considerations and emerging tensions - Carla Pastorino Campos and Evelina Galaczi

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Recognition of Outgoing Executive Committee Members

Peter De Costa, AAAL President



- Lourdes Ortega, Immediate Past President
- Scott Jarvis, Treasurer
- Yasuko Kanno, Member at Large
- Katherine Christofferson, OEOC Chair
- John Wayne dela Cruz, GSC Co-Chair

Transfer of Presidency

Peter De Costa, AAAL President and
Ryuko Kubota, AAAL President-Elect

Recognition of Incoming Executive Committee Members

Ryuko Kubota, New AAAL President



- 2nd Vice President Francis Hult
- Treasurer Paula Winke
- JEDI Officer Usree Bhattacharya
- Member-at-Large Yumi Matsumoto

Concluding Remarks

Ryuko Kubota, New AAAL President

AAAL Mission Statement

AAAL promotes high-quality and impactful research, professional networking, and intellectual development in all areas of applied linguistics. The Association supports ethical and informed understandings of language-related processes and practices from multiple research paradigms. AAAL is committed to building and sustaining just and equitable conditions for individuals, communities, and societies.