PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2020 CONFERENCE IN PUERTO RICO!

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION WILL OPEN ON JANUARY 10.

We are currently finalizing our conference registration webpage! Starting on January 10, you’ll be able to register for our 102nd Annual Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico. You can also visit our conference webpage TODAY and make hotel reservations at the Caribe Hilton, and/or sign up for any of our exciting educational and cultural excursions – all from our conference webpage!

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW SCHEDULE AND SPECIAL RATES FOR AIRFARE AND CAR RENTALS

For your planning needs, we have published the tentative one-page conference overview schedule for the 102nd Annual Conference. You can find the Program at a Glance on our website today! In addition to the schedule, discounted airfare and car rental rates for conference attendees are also available. We will be adding more special offers in the upcoming months!
PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCES WILL BE SENT IN MID JANUARY!

Happy New Year 2020! We would like to thank everyone who submitted a proposal for the AATSP’s 102nd Annual Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico! AATSP Conference Coordinator Dalila González will send out notifications via email in mid to late January. We are making every effort to accommodate as many individuals on the program as possible to ensure a diverse and high-quality conference. The Proposal Selection Committee may not be able to accommodate requests for multiple presentations in Puerto Rico due to the high volume of proposals received. Please watch for your notification via email soon!

To stay up to date on all conference information make sure to visit our website.

THE AATSP IS GROWING!

The AATSP finished 2019 with the highest number of members in a decade! At the close of 2019, we recorded 10,184 members! We sincerely thank all members that renewed promptly. We welcome new members! We cannot grow the AATSP without your help. Please note that we experienced growth in several categories—first-year members and high school teachers. In 2020, we aim to expand in all categories! If you forgot to renew in 2019, it is not to late! Go to aatsp.org and do it now! Don’t miss out on scholarships, webinars, professional development, awards, assessment programs, honor societies, travel, and opportunities for your students!

THREE WEEKS LEFT TO REGISTER FOR THE NATIONAL SPANISH EXAMINATIONS

There are only three weeks left to register for the 2020 National Spanish Examinations (NSE). Registration closes on January 31, 2020. To register please visit the NSE registration page. Teachers may register their students for the NSE and renew their 2020 AATSP dues directly on the NSE registration form.

AATSP STUDY ABROAD AND RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS
The application deadline for the 2020 study abroad scholarships is fast approaching! In 2019, ten lucky members of the AATSP received scholarships to study abroad or do summer research in Spain and Latin America — it could be YOU this summer! Applications for our 2020 study abroad and summer research scholarships will be due by January 15, 2020. Visit our Study Abroad webpage for more information and to read testimonials from recent awardees.

NOMINATE A DESERVING COLLEAGUE AND EDUCATOR TO JOIN OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are now accepting nominations for our 2020 elections! AATSP chapters may nominate an ambitious and pioneering educator for election to the AATSP Board of Directors. Self-nominations are also welcome. The following four positions are open for the 2020 elections: President Elect, Secondary School (9-12) Representative, College/University Representative and Portuguese Representative. Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2020. Click here for more details.

NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE AATSP 2020 ANNUAL AWARDS

Each year the AATSP offers a number of awards that recognize the achievements of AATSP members. We are accepting nominations from now until March 1 for the following awards:

- AATSP Chapter of the Year
- AATSP Outstanding Service Award
- AATSP Distinguished Leadership Award
- Mario Vargas Llosa Award (Joint AATSP & Sigma Delta Pi Award)
- AATSP Outstanding Teacher of the Year (TOY) Award – Four award levels: Elementary Level (grades K-8), Secondary Level (9-12), Two-Year College Level, and College/University Level

Award nomination deadline is March 1, 2020. Please visit our Awards webpage for more details and to download an application.

NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO FUND YOUR TRIP TO PUERTO RICO?
Thanks to your membership fees and other donations, the AATSP is able to offer $500 conference travel stipends to members in need of financial support. If you’re interested in applying for one of our travel stipends for this summer’s conference, click here to read the eligibility criteria and application instructions. Application deadline is January 15, 2020.

NSE TRAVEL AWARD TO THE AATSP CONFERENCE IN PUERTO RICO

Would you like to attend the AATSP conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico? NSE is pleased to offer two (2) special awards of $1,500 each to attend the 102nd Annual AATSP Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico. These awards are for teachers who administer either the National Spanish Examinations (NSE) or the National Spanish Assessments (NSA). The deadline to apply is January 15. For eligibility requirements visit National Spanish Exam Scholarships for Teachers.

PLAN YOUR SHH INDUCTION CEREMONY
Visit the AATSP Store for your SHH Induction supplies.

SHH SPONSOR AWARDS – WIN A TRIP TO THE AATSP ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Applications for the Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica Mario Fierros and Park-Sihocky Awards are now available.

The Mario Fierros Award for Excellence is awarded to an SHH chapter
sponsor who has given exemplary service to the SHH during the year. The Park-Sihocky Award recognizes a chapter sponsor in his or her first three years as sponsor.

The recipients of both awards receive a plaque and a trip to the AATSP Annual Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Click here for full details and applications. The deadline to apply is Saturday, February 15, 2020.

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**WATCH FOR WEBINARS IN JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH**

Krista Chambless, Kevin Cessna-Buscemi and Martha Vásquez will be our spring presenters for the AATSP-Vista Higher Learning Webinar Series. Please click here to read about the topics and save the dates. Take advantage of these FREE professional development opportunities.

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**UNIVERSIDAD DE SALAMANCA OFFERS LIFE-LONG LEARNING EDUCATIONAL TOURS**

Explore Salamanca (Spain) and its environs on a life-long learning educational tour for adults of all ages. Please click here for more information.
FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR VOICE ON CAPITOL HILL & NEW K-12 WORLD LANGUAGE GRANT PROGRAM

JNCL-NCLIS shares that Congress approves a new K-12 World Language Advancement and Readiness Grant Program. To read more, click here.

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