BOOK YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION AT THE CARIBE HILTON RESORT!

The AATSP Annual Conference will be taking place at the Caribe Hilton Resort in San Juan, Puerto Rico! Be sure to take advantage of the discounted $199/night rate before the room block is completely filled up! The AATSP is approaching the 75% mark of room block occupancy. After the block is full, the room rates are likely to increase. More double bedrooms have been added to our block. The hotel boasts three pools, ocean views and a private beach. Click here to reserve your hotel stay today!
AATSP CONFERENCE EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

The AATSP Early Bird Registration will be available until April 1, 2020. AATSP members can register for our conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico for only $205! Registration is available on our conference page. During checkout you may also purchase a ticket to attend one of the 11 workshops. The AATSP lowered our workshop prices (now $25.00) to make them more accessible. There are also 11 excursions! Go to the conference page for complete information! Puerto Rico is open for business!
AMERICA READS SPANISH

Click here to read the January 2020 issue of America Reads Spanish.

NSE LATE REGISTRATION

Late registration for the 2020 National Spanish Examinations (NSE) will take place from February 15 - 25. 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.

CALLING ALL SHA SPONSORS!

As we look to the upcoming AATSP Annual Conference in San Juan Puerto Rico, the Sociedad Hispánica de Amistad is requesting your application for the following awards:

The Chapter of the Year Award is given to the chapter that has completed the most exceptional projects in the three service categories of the SHA:
• Service to school
• Service to community
• Ambassadorship

The winner of the **Chapter of the Year Award** will receive an honorarium of $100 and a certificate suitable for framing. The **Activity of the Year Award** is given to the chapter that has completed the most significant service project in any one of the three service categories outlined above. The winner of the **Best Activity of the Year Award** will receive an honorarium of $50 and a certificate suitable for framing.

Award winners will be highlighted in sessions at the AATSP Annual Conference. Deadline: May 1, 2020. For more information, [click here](#).

**SPANISH FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES**

**WEBINAR WITH DIANA RUGGIERO**

Editorial Difusión has partnered with the AATSP to bring you another free webinar. On Thursday, Feb. 20th, Professor Diana Ruggiero of the University of Memphis will speak on *Aprendizaje significativo y español con fines específicos en tres áreas*. Professor Ruggiero is the Chair of the Community Engagement SIG (Special Interest Group) and was named 2019 AATSP Teacher of the Year (Higher Education). Please [click here](#) for more information and registration.

GOING TO NECTFL IN NEW YORK?
Please visit the AATSP booth (#TT6) at the NECTFL (Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Exhibit Hall on Friday, February 14 & Saturday, February 15 in The New York Hilton Midtown. This year, we will be hosting long-time AATSP member Kathy Swanson of Honduras Hope. Look for the beautiful Honduran baskets and find out how these baskets change lives. Come learn about the AATSP and the baskets! Also don’t miss out on session #133 National Spanish Examinations and Assessments on Friday, February 14 from 11:30-12:30 in the Clinton Room. Enjoy these photos of Honduran baskets!
DREAMING OF GREENER PASTURES?

It is a good time to look for a new K-12 teaching position. For an easy, effortless job search, upload your resume or curriculum vitae to the AATSP’s new Career Center. Our AATSP Career Center has hundreds of job listings for Spanish and Portuguese language educators and program administrators. It also offers everything you need to make your resume stand out, ace the interview, advance your career, and navigate the digital world through social media and digital communication.

ANNUAL AATSP AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE SOON

Each year the AATSP offers a number of awards that recognize the achievements and contributions of AATSP members. The awardees are honored during the AATSP Annual Conference and receive a plaque and a check for $500. Nominations are due by March 1. Visit
ANNOUNCING
THE 2020 AATSP POSTER CONTEST

AATSP Chapters are now accepting entries for the Poster Contest. Contact your AATSP Chapter for local Chapter Poster Contest deadlines and information. Click here for national guidelines.

Each year the AATSP sponsors the Poster Contest that is open to K–12 Spanish and Portuguese students whose teachers are current AATSP members.

Contest Theme:

Español y Portugués para un mundo multilingüe y multicultural
Espanhol e Português para um mundo multilingue e multicultural

The AATSP Poster Contest:

• Is an excellent project for Hispanic Heritage Month and world language celebrations
• Encourages cross-curriculum collaboration (social studies, art, and technology)
• Verbalizes appreciation for other languages and cultures
• Promotes creative thinking
• Celebrates visual learners
• Celebrates artistic expression
• Is a great program-advocacy tool
• Is an excellent way to engage the enthusiasm of our students!

STUDY ABROAD FOR EDUCATORS
SALAMANCA, SPAIN
Texas Tech University hosts a six-week program based in Salamanca (Spain) that only costs $3,500. It is open to undergraduate and graduate students from any university who are interested in teaching. Students live with host families (all meals included), take Spanish and education classes at Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, work in two schools, and receive 9 credits and a diploma. Excursions: Madrid, Toledo, Segovia, La Granja, Ávila, Lisbon, Portugal. Program scholarship: $300. Program dates: May 20 - July 1, 2020. Click here for application form. Application deadline: March 2. Program Director: Dr. Comfort Pratt salamanca.educ@ttu.edu.

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

Applications for the Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica Mario Fierros and Park-Sihocky Awards are available. The Mario Fierros Award for Excellence is presented 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.

RESOURCES RADIOAMBULANTE & THE LUPA APP

Radio Ambulante (RA) is a Spanish language narrative journalism podcast on National Public Radio. RA is used often as a teaching tool by Spanish language teachers and there is now a companion app named LUPA that focuses deeply on listening skills by immersing students in stories about Latin America’s people and cultures. Check them out!

AATSP MOURNS THE LOSS OF PROFESSOR VERNON CHAMBERLIN

Click here to read the tribute to Professor Chamberlin penned by Professor Tom Franz (Ohio University).

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JNCL-NCLIS HOSTS LARGEST LANGUAGE ADVOCACY DAY YET

AATSP members were among the 170+ language educators that mobilized last week for Language Advocacy Day to visit their US Senators and Congressional Representatives to request legislative support and funding for language learning as well as student loan forgiveness for language teachers. See photo of Krista Chambless (UAB), Edgar Serrano (Ole Miss) and Sheri Spaine Long (AATSP).