



Announcements and Reminders

December 19, 2018

2019 CONFERENCE PROPOSAL UPDATE

We are very excited to have received more conference proposals for our 101st Annual Conference in San Diego, than we did for the previous six AATSP conferences, not including our centennial conference in Salamanca last year.

With that said, 2019 Conference Proposal acceptance notifications will be sent out by the end of January. We thank you for your interest in our upcoming conference. We look forward to exciting and rewarding conference in San Diego!



2019 AATSP CONFERENCE HOTEL LINK OPEN

Make plans during the holiday break to attend AATSP in beautiful San Diego this summer!
101st Annual AATSP Conference
July 8-11, 2019
Town and Country Hotel, San Diego, CA

The Town and Country Hotel reservation link is now open. [Please click here to make your reservation](#) at the Town and Country Hotel, or contact the hotel directly at 800-772-8527. You must mention "AATSP" in order to receive the AATSP special discounted room block rate.

The special AATSP group rate at the Town and Country Hotel begins at \$149.00 (double occupancy) for sleeping rooms and include complimentary Internet access, coffee/tea makers and in-room safes.

AATSP OFFICES CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The AATSP national office will close for the holidays on Thursday, December 20th at noon and will reopen on Wednesday, January 2nd. Email and voicemail messages received during this period will be answered in the order that they are received on January 2, 2019. We would like to wish all of our members and friends *Boas Festas!* and *¡Muy Felices Fiestas!*

DIFUSIÓN & AATSP OFFER FREE WEBINAR WITH BILL VANPATTEN

As part of your membership package, we invite you to attend a free webinar in Spanish on January 17th hosted by Editorial Difusión featuring Dr. [Bill VanPatten](#). He is a former AATSP president, popular presenter, and renowned researcher. Complete information on how to enroll will be sent to AATSP members and posted on the AATSP website in early January 2019. Here is a description of the webinar and [a special invitation](#) from Dr. VanPatten.

La adquisición del lenguaje: mitos y verdades

En la enseñanza del español, así como en la enseñanza de otras lenguas, todas las decisiones que tomamos responden a varios principios. A veces se trata de lo que nos enseñaron que funcionaba, a veces de nuestra experiencia o, incluso, de lo que reclaman los estudiantes. Pero, ¿cuántas veces nos hemos cuestionado si las prácticas profesionales actuales en la enseñanza de lenguas responden realmente a los procesos de adquisición? En este webinar el profesor Bill VanPatten nos hablará de varios mitos acerca de la enseñanza y el aprendizaje de segundas lenguas desde el punto de vista de los hallazgos de las investigaciones de los últimos años.

AVAILABLE IN PRINT AND ONLINE SOON: DECEMBER 2018 ISSUE OF HISPANIA

In the December 2018 issue of *Hispania* (101.4), readers will find eight research articles, twenty book/media reviews, and the annual State-of-the-State Feature. This year's feature honors the journal's 100th year. Instructors of Spanish and Portuguese will learn contemporary teaching techniques for listening comprehension in Erin Alice Cowling, Paige Erin Wheeler, and Julie Márquez-Uppman's article and for spoken proficiency in Cristina Pardo-Ballester's article. Intentional instruction for language acquisition is the focus of Erin McNulty Díaz's article. Claire Mitchell's article studies the learning of intercultural competency skills via Pinterest. Negative word construction in Basque Spanish and Spanish is explored in articles by Ager Gondra and by Manuel Díaz-Campos and Sara L. Zahler, respectively. In addition, Vitelia Cisneros examines the treatment of language and identity in two Bildungsroman novels by Laura Riesco's (Peru) and Humberto López Cruz discusses the lyrical descriptions of bodies of water and national identity in poetry by Dulce María Loynaz (Cuba). The Book/Media Review section includes four reviews of books in areas of Luso-Brazilian and Portuguese studies and pedagogy, including reviews of *A Cultural History of Rio de Janeiro after 1889: Glorious Decadence*; *Perspectivas: Português para falantes de espanhol*; *A língua portuguesa no mundo: Presente, passado e futuro*; and *A Handbook for Portuguese Instructors in the US*. Also of interest are a review written by Robert Newcomb of *The Routledge Companion to Iberian Studies*, edited by Javier Muñoz-Basols, Laura Lonsdale, and Manuel Delgado, and a review penned by María Salgado of *Rubén Darío y los Estados Unidos*, edited by Gerardo Piña-Rosales, Carlos E. Paldao, and Graciela S. Tomassini.

AATSP BOARD OF DIRECTORS TRANSITIONS 2019

At the end of the year, we sincerely thank our exiting members of the Board of Directors who have provided us with insightful leadership. Parthena Draggett, Ronald Leow, and Megan Villanueva--you will be missed!

We are excited to welcome our new members of the 2019 AATSP Board of Directors. We look forward to your collaboration!

2019 AATSP President Elect

Ada Ortúzar-Young, New York, NY

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[Please click here for America Reads Spanish](#) (Nov.-Dec. 2018).



ACT NOW: A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM SIELE

As members of FIAPE (Federación Internacional de Asociaciones de Profesores de Español) and AATSP, you and your students are eligible for the following offer.

*En esta ocasión nos gustaría presentaros **OBJETIVO SIELE**. Con este material de preparación al examen SIELE los profesores ELE y sus alumnos dispondrán de manera gratuita (valorado en 50€/persona) de los mejores recursos para obtener el máximo partido de las clases de español que hayan recibido. Si tus estudiantes buscan certificar su nivel de español con SIELE, pero necesitan conocer cómo es el examen y practicar para obtener el mejor resultado, ¡ya está disponible el material de preparación SIELE!*

*En este email puedes encontrar **Invitación a OBJETIVO SIELE**, para que profesores ELE y sus alumnos, a los que pueden reenviar la invitación, se beneficien de esta ventaja enmarcada en la alianza que mantienen SIELE & FIAPE. Es válido para profesores y estudiantes que se registren antes del 31 de diciembre 2018.*

[Please click here to learn more and register.](#)



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