Calendar of Events

April 19, 2024

Embodied Pronunciation Part 1: Harnessing Your Inner Power (TOP-IG)
CATESOL Zoom room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Marsha Chan,
pronunciationdoctor@gmail.com

Speaking in a language or manner other than what is familiar requires different movements of the vocal organs. While cognition is essential in forming concepts and directing their execution, once the brain has instructed us to speak, pronunciation is a physical act. Gaining control of one's speaking apparatus facilitates changes in voice quality, pronunciation, accent, and projection. This can enhance overall oral production, increase confidence, and improve intelligibility.

This interactive virtual workshop will draw on embodied pronunciation research and practice showing that careful attention to breathing, vocalization, articulatory positions, pulmonic and tactile pressures, pitch and duration, scope and synchrony of body movements, in addition to the systematic use of gestures, enables more effective pronunciation.

Attendees: please plan on moving, vocalizing, and gesturing during this session. We'll get our motors running and help prepare English learners to speak more clearly by engaging in practical learning activities that sharpen minds, muscles, and memory.

Presenter

Marsha J. Chan

Marsha co-founded the CATESOL Teaching of Pronunciation Interest Group, continues to lead TOP-IG as Co-coordinator, and is a former officer of TESOL's Speech Pronunciation and Listening Interest Section. Her volunteer roles at CATESOL include Web Manager, Professional Development Coordinator, Event Registrar, and Conference Organizer. She is ESL Professor Emerita at Mission College and has served the U.S. Department of State as an English Language Specialist stateside and abroad. She is followed by language teachers and students around the world as as Pronunciation Doctor on Youtube. Author of print and digital learning materials including Phrase by Phrase, Oral Communication 1, Look in the Lake, English for Child Care, and English for Child Development, she has also had articles published in the TESOL Encyclopedia of English Language Teaching, ESP Journal, CATESOL Journal, CATESOL Newsletter, and Pronunciation in Second Language Learning and Teaching Conference Proceedings.

Date & Time

Friday, April 19, 2024, 12:00-1:00 California Time

Cost

Members: Free
Non-members: $5.00

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April 19, 2024

Chapter Council Meeting
06:00 PM - 07:00 PM PST
Merve Beyazit Taner,
catesolmerve@gmail.com

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Chapter Council Chair

April 19, 2024

OT-IG Monthly Meeting (OT-IG)
CATESOL Zoom Room
01:15 PM - 02:15 PM PST
Katrina Tamura,
ktamura@miracosta.edu

The Online Teaching Interest Group will meet to discuss topics relevant to the online
teaching experience. Come with questions and share your teaching practices. This
event is online via Zoom. It is free to CATESOL members and $5 for non- members.
Christian Vela Che and Katrina Tamura, coordinators of the OT-IG, will host this event.

April 20, 2024	**Reconnecting over Mezze: Orange County Chapter In-person Meeting (OC)** **Les Amis** **128 W Wilshire Ave.** **Fullerton, CA 92832** 05:30 PM - 07:30 PM PST Mimi Macias-Reza and Richard C. Gray, catesolocchapter@gmail.com

Join us for an evening of networking and community building at our "Reconnecting over Mezze with CATESOL OC" event. Whether you're a seasoned instructor or a graduate student, come mingle with fellow educators and enthusiasts in a casual and welcoming atmosphere. Enjoy mezze (an assortment of Lebanese appetizers) provided by Les Amis Restaurant in Fullerton. Plus, meet and engage with three expert guests who will be sharing insights and expertise. Don't miss out on this opportunity to share space and meet new colleagues! Free for all members and $5 for guests.

Everyone must register so that we can get a headcount for food! The limit for the number of attendees is 40, so please register early to secure your spots -- no later than April 15th.

Members Free
Non-members $5

Mimi Macias-Reza
Richard Gray
CATESOL OC Chapter Co-coordinators
#catesoloc

April 26, 2024	**Refugee Concerns Interest Group Coffee Talk (RC-IG) Apr** **CATESOL Zoom Room** 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST Sherry MacKay, eslwithtlc@gmail.com

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RC-IG Co-coorinators: Talley Caruso and Sherry MacKay

April 26, 2024

Exploring AI in ESL Education: A Workshop for Educators (Saroyan Chapter)
CATESOL Zoom Room
02:00 PM - 04:00 PM PST
Jennifer Vahanian, Alyssa Tobar,
jennifer.vahanian@fresnocitycollege.edu
CATESOL SAROYAN CHAPTER Spring 2024 Virtual Event

Exploring AI in ESL Education: A Workshop for Educators
Join us for an immersive online panel discussion and workshop designed to equip ESL educators with the knowledge and skills to effectively integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into their teaching practices. As technology continues to transform the educational landscape, understanding how to leverage AI tools can significantly enhance the learning experience for English language learners. Participants will delve into the fundamentals of AI and its applications within ESL education. Through interactive sessions, educators will learn how AI-powered tools can support language acquisition, personalized learning, and student engagement. This workshop will provide practical strategies and resources for incorporating AI technologies into lesson planning, curriculum development, and classroom instruction. Whether you're a seasoned ESL educator or just beginning to explore the potential of AI in education, this workshop offers valuable insights and actionable takeaways to enhance your teaching practice.

April 27, 2024

CATESOL San Diego Chapter In-Person Spring Conference
American Language Institute, San Diego State University
5250 Campanile Dr
San Diego, CA 92182
08:30 AM - 01:30 PM PST
Johanna Gleason,
jgleason.sdsu.edu@gmail.com

Join the CATESOL San Diego Chapter for an in-person regional conference, We welcome all the TESOL instructors, administrators, and scholars from the San Diego area and beyond! We'll feature concurrent sessions on various topics, from theoretical to practical, and everything in-between. There will also be opportunities to network and connect with fellow attendees and organizers. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to grow and learn together, as we build and foster our own TESOL Community.

Theme: Fostering a Community of Learners in the Classrooms and Beyond

Subthemes

Fostering community In different formats of teaching and learning, such as in-person, synchronous, asynchronous, hyflex, etc.
Using technology to achieve connection among learners
Connecting learners to resources to achieve their goals and engage in their larger communities
Teachers connecting with each other as well as the broader pedagogy and research community and resources

Registration Fees

Members : $10
Non-members : $20
All students (members & non-members) : $5

Conference Schedule Overview

8:30-9:30: Registration, Refreshments, and Welcome Messages
9:30-10:15: Plenary Session
10:15-11:00: Session 1
11:15-12:00: Session 2
12:15-1:00: Session 3
1:00-1:30: Networking, Refreshments, Drawings, and Closing Remarks

Detailed conference schedule, presentation abstracts, and presenter bios

Location & Parking Instructions

Call for volunteers

We need your help to make this conference come together! Please consider volunteering. By volunteering, you'll connect with other passionate TESOL professionals, build your San Diego network, add additional lines to your CV, and develop your leadership skills.

Conference FAQ

As the event draws closer, the FAQ document will be updated with detailed parking & transportation information. Please plan accordingly: all on-campus parking requires payment (through an app, creating an account on the SDSU parking portal, or paying one of the few machines on campus).

Questions?

Reach out to conference chair Amanda Simons.

May 3, 2024	**The Changing Landscape of Teaching Jobs in the World of AI (TELL-IG)**

CATESOL Zoom Room
01:30 PM - 03:00 PM PST
Johanna Gleason,
jgleason.sdsu.edu@gmail.com
In this panel presentation, AI users and experts will present various AI technologies, and examine how we, as teachers, must continue to evolve if we want to engage our students, and, maybe, if we want to keep our jobs.

Hosted by TELL-IG Coordinator Johanna Gleason
Assistant Coordinator Jennie Kim
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Members: Free
Non-members: $5

May 3, 2024	**Intensive English Program (IEP) Level Meeting**

CATESOL Zoom Room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Nina Dellona,
ninadellona@gmail.com

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	06:00 PM - 07:00 PM PST
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	catesolmerve@gmail.com

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Chapter Council Chair

May 10, 2024	**IGC Leadership Monthly Meeting - MAY**
	CATESOL Zoom Meeting
	12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
	Randy Rightmire,
	randyrightmire@ucsb.edu

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IGC Chair: Randy Rightmire
IGC Assistant Chair: Kelly Metz-Matthews

Members Free

May 10, 2024

Community College Level Monthly Support Group
CATESOL Zoom Room
01:15 PM - 02:00 PM PST
Dyan Collings Ralph,
catesoldyancralph@gmail.com
Community College Level Monthly Support Group

Do you teach at a community college or want to? Join our Zoom monthly support group. It is designed for both seasoned and new teachers, as well as anyone interested in community college-based ESL. This is a warm and welcoming space to acknowledge, appreciate, and uplift each other. Bring your questions for a thoughtful discussion. Please check the calendar of upcoming events at www.CATESOL.org for the next event date and time.

Members: Free

Hosts: Dyan Collings Ralph, Community College Level Chair, and Ingrid Bairstow, Community College Level Assistant Chair

May 11, 2024   **Wrapping Your Head Around the Future: The Perils?and Possibilities?of AI (Bay Area Chapter**
CATESOL Zoom Room
09:45 AM - 03:00 PM PST
Johanna Esther Carranza,
Professorjojoesther@gmail.com

CATESOL Bay Area Chapter Spring 2024 Conference

AI and ESL: When/Where Tradition Meets Innovation
*Welcome to the Bay Area Chapter Spring Virtual Conference for TESOL Instructors! Are
you ready to embark on a transformative journey in English language education? Join
us for an exhilarating online experience at the Bay Area Chapter Conference to explore
the dynamic intersection of foundational principles and cutting-edge AI technology.
Together, let's shape the future of ESOL language education! We look forward to
welcoming you to a conference like no other!*

Keynote:
*We stand at the dawn of an exhilarating era; from the inception of the Internet to the
birth of the World Wide Web, and now the dawn of Artificial Intelligence, our
contributions have sculpted the landscape of human progress irreversibly. As we
navigate this new terrain, the question resonates: how will you harness the power of AI?*

*Keynote speakers Susan Gaer, Margi Wald, and David Wiese will demonstrate the
integration of cutting-edge AI tools that may revolutionize the classrooms of today.
Through her work in adult non-credit writing classes at the American University of
Afghanistan, Susan will demonstrate how ethical considerations are seamlessly
integrated into the fabric of AI utilization. Margi and David will highlight how they have
used AI to create classroom materials, design first-year writing assignments
incorporating ChatGPT in a guided manner, and create writing prompts that can "beat
the bots." Join us as we embark on a journey where innovation meets responsibility,
shaping the future of education with purpose and integrity.*

*S??usan Gaer is a retired professor of ESL Santa Ana College. She has been a
promoter of digital literacy for teachers throughout the world for the last 25 years. She is
a past President of CATESOL, a frequent presenter at TESOL, an English Language
Specialist for the State Department, and a Subject Matter Expert for the Outreach
Technical Assistance Center (OTAN) and World Education. She is currently an adjunct
instructor in English for the American University of Afghanistan. In addition, she is a
Google Innovator, Trainer, and is experimenting using AI with her students.*

*Margi Wald, M.A. Applied Linguistics, teaches first-year writing, reading, and grammar &
vocabulary courses specifically designed for multilingual students. She directs UC
Berkeley's Summer English Language Studies program, manages The CATESOL
Journal, and has extensive experience presenting at and organizing conferences for
English language teaching organizations. She co-edited Teaching U.S.-educated
Multilingual Student Writers (with Mark Roberge and Kay Losey) and co-authored the
textbook Exploring Options in Academic Writing: Effective Vocabulary and Grammar
Use (with Jan Frodesen). Her research focuses on corpus-based materials development
for and academic literacy development among immigrant ESL students.*

*David Wiese teaches first and second year writing during fall and spring, and is the
Associate Director of the Summer English Language Studies Program. He also creates*
textbooks and online learning materials related to academic writing, reading, and

English as a second language. Previously, he worked as the Submissions Editor for the CATESOL Journal. He holds a Master's Degree in TESOL from Teacher's College, Columbia University, and a Bachelor's Degree in International Relations from the University of California Santa Barbara. A California native, his prior teaching experience includes corporate language training in Barcelona Spain and positions at New York University, The New School, Brooklyn College and the University of San Francisco. His interests include writing, applied linguistics, language learning, phonetics, assessment, and use of technology for educational purposes.

Invited Session:
The proliferation of AI tools raises questions about how education must change fundamentally to keep up with technological advances. Teachers are now adopting generative AI for their own use, but our English language learners also need to experiment with these tools while exercising their creative and critical thinking so that they don't get left behind in this latest technological revolution. Learn about student projects with just a few of the countless AI tools that can be used in language instruction, giving students the opportunity to gain AI literacy and practice their language skills in an integrated way.

Kristi Reyes is a tenured faculty member in the Noncredit ESL program at MiraCosta College. She provides professional development to California adult educators through her roles as an OTAN subject matter expert and CALPRO facilitator. With more than 25 years of experience teaching ESL, finding new ways to integrate technology into language instruction and putting it in the hands of students so that they learn so much more than just English is what keeps her excited in this beautiful, rewarding profession.

May 17, 2024   **Embodied Pronunciation Part 2: Haptic Hacks and Widgets (TOP-IG)**
CATESOL Zoom room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Marsha Chan,
pronunciationdoctor@gmail.com
Following up on Marsha Chan's webinar of April 19th, Embodied Pronunciation Part 1: Harnessing Your Inner Power, in this session Bill Acton will focus specifically on a core set of embodied pronunciation techniques which use both gesture and touch.

"Hacks" are techniques which are used to indirectly impact speaking accuracy and fluency, such as "fixing" a vowel or consonant, or drills relating to intonation, rhythm and stress.

"Widgets" are techniques which, in principle, can impact the learner's fluency and intelligibility almost immediately such as moving a "body part" or the entire body--plus touch, to the rhythm of one's voice as one is speaking, especially in describing a scene in one's visual field or a highly defined and easily recalled past-experience. (Actors, politicians, voice trainers—and accomplished liars-- often use a range of such "widgets" in their practice.)

Date & Time

Friday, May 17 2024, 12:00-1:00 California Time

Cost

Members: Free
Non-members: $5.00

Presenter

William R. Acton, PhD

Bill Acton is Director of the MATESOL at Trinity Western University. His research, publications and teaching have centered on the role of the body in second language learning and, specifically, pronunciation. He and his students, for the last 40 years, have been developing Haptic Pronunciation Teaching, now in version 7.0, The KINTEK Method. Pedagogically, the focus has shifted from gesture to the centrality of touch in (haptic) pronunciation work.

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May 17, 2024

Adult Ed Level - Guest Speaker (TBA)
CATESOL Zoom Room
04:00 PM - 05:00 PM PST
Andy Mardesich,
andymardesich@yahoo.com
Join us for this new monthly support group, open to new teachers and anyone interested in Adult ESOL. We will share challenges and troubleshoot together on the day-to-day struggles with technology, pedagogy, classroom dynamics, strategies for reducing workload and other topics. Instructors with more experience are also invited to share their guidance and expertise. This is a space to recognize, appreciate, and encourage one another! Come with questions you want to discuss.

Hosts: Andy Mardesich, Adult Ed Level Chair and Lisa Guay, Adult Ed Level Assistant Chair

May 18, 2024

Sharing is Caring MWIG Coffee Talk
CATESOL Zoom Room
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM PST
Soleil Turell,
soleil.a.turell@gmail.com

Join the Material Writers Interest Group for a great chance to explore some online resources together. Plus, you'll get to showcase any gems you've discovered too! During our meetup, we'll be unveiling our curated list of online tools, with a few highlighted for live demos. Don't worry about jotting everything down - we'll make sure you get the link to access all the resources afterward, as well as directions on how to add your own resource links to our collaborative Google Doc! Our goal with this May's coffee talk is to help teachers lighten their lesson planning load, as well as help fan the fire of their inspiration!

Presenter: Soleil Turell, Material Writers Interest Group Assistant Coordinator MW-IG

Hosts: Natasha Guerrero and Nate Fifield, Co-coordinators Soleil Turell, Assistant Coordinator

Cost:
Members: Free
Non-members: $5

May 31, 2024

CATESOL Board Meeting
CATESOL Zoom Room
02:00 PM - 04:00 PM PST
Song Hong,
catesolsong@gmail.com

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CATESOL President, Song Hong
CATESOL Past President, Anthony Burik

May 31, 2024

Refugee Concerns Interest Group Coffee Talk (RC-IG) May
CATESOL Zoom Room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Sherry MacKay,
eslwithtlc@gmail.com

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June 7, 2024

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Nina Dellona,
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June 14, 2024	**IGC Leadership Monthly Meeting - JUN** **CATESOL Zoom Meeting** 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST Randy Rightmire, randyrightmire@ucsb.edu *All Interest Group (IG) Coordinators, Co-coordinators, Assistant Coordinators, and other IG leaders:* *Please join us in a virtual monthly meeting on the middle Friday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. in our monthly check-in and update session for IGC. This IG Council meeting is an opportunity to connect and support one another as we share ways to invite members and promote events.* *IGC Chair: Randy Rightmire* *IGC Assistant Chair: Kelly Metz-Matthews* *Members Free*
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CATESOL Zoom room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Marsha Chan,
pronunciationdoctor@gmail.com
Community College Pronunciation Project Case Study

Description

TBA

Presenter

Patryk Mrozek

Date & Time

Friday, April 19, 2024, 12:00-1:00 California Time

Cost

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Hosted by TOP-IG Coordinators

Marsha Chan
Patryk Mrozek
Randy Rightmire

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June 28, 2024	**Refugee Concerns Interest Group Coffee Talk (RC-IG) Jun**

CATESOL Zoom Room
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST
Sherry MacKay,
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