

## NEWS

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### TESOL International Association Installs President-Elect and Board of Director Members

Alexandria, Va. (March 31, 2023) – TESOL International Association (TESOL) recently installed Shelley Taylor as its 2023-2024 president at the association’s Annual Business Meeting during the 2023 TESOL International Convention & English Language Expo in Portland, Oregon, USA. In addition to Taylor, President-Elect Deborah Suarez and Directors Kisha Bryan and Cynthia Wiseman were also installed on the TESOL board of directors.

Taylor is currently a professor at University of Western Ontario in Canada. Prior to her election, Taylor was a frequent presenter and contributor to English language teaching publications and scholarly research, and she was a TESOL board member from 2016-2019. Taylor will serve as the association’s president from March 2023-March 2024. With Taylor’s installation, Joyce Kling became the association’s past-president.

“I am honored to lead the association that has brought so many professional opportunities to me. I look forward to helping advance TESOL’s initiatives, including its diversity, equity, inclusion, and access efforts, during my tenure,” Taylor remarks.

Suarez, a career educator and national advisor in Washington, D.C., USA will serve as president-elect from March 2023-March 2024. Bryan, from Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee, USA, and Wiseman, from City University of New York, New York, USA, will serve on the TESOL board of directors from March 2023-March 2026. TESOL’s board of directors is the association’s elected governing body helping to formulate the association’s strategic direction and set policy for the association.

TESOL also recognized the dedication and service of its departing board members Gabriela Kleckova, University of West Bohemia, Plzen, Czech Republic; Ayanna Cooper, A. Cooper Consulting, Dallas, Georgia, USA; and Okon Effiong, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar.

#### About TESOL International Association

TESOL International Association is the trusted global community for knowledge and expertise in English language teaching. TESOL advances the professional expertise in English language teaching to speakers of other languages in multilingual contexts worldwide through professional learning, research, standards, and advocacy. In principle and in practice, TESOL values professionalism, respect, integrity, and lifelong learning and seeks diverse and inclusive participation within the field of English language teaching. TESOL promotes equitable representation, engagement, and broad access to professional opportunities for all and works to eliminate any kind of discrimination. TESOL is a professional community of more than 13,000 English language professionals representing more than 150 countries. For more information, please visit [www.tesol.org](http://www.tesol.org).

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