



PronSIG Classroom Research Scholarship

PronSIG is all about developing high-quality, evidence-based pronunciation practice for the modern world. With this in mind, our 2024 scholarship is inspired by our 2023 PCE day: 'Feel the fear and teach it anyway', where we encouraged teachers to overcome their anxieties about pronunciation teaching relating to both intonation and use of diverse Englishes in the classroom among other things.

Therefore, this year's scholarship is designed to provide interesting insight into the area of pronunciation and:

- intonation, or
- use of diverse Englishes in the classroom.

In thinking about your interest in this area, maybe ...

- you have an idea for pronunciation teaching which is focused on one of these two areas,
- you already use pronunciation activities which incorporate intonation or diverse Englishes,
- you wish to explore an idea or approach in your teaching more and share these findings with others.

What we want:

We are asking for classroom-based action research proposals to expand the knowledge we have about pronunciation teaching relating to intonation or use of diverse Englishes.

The word 'research' can seem scary, but classroom-based action research is a simple and effective thing for any teacher to do as part of our CPD.

You'll get support and mentoring to undertake a simple action research project for your idea or activities and to write an article to publish the findings in PronSIG's journal, *Speak Out!*

What you'll need:

- An idea or activities which use pronunciation focused on intonation or diverse Englishes.
- A classroom setting where you can complete your action research.
- Time and motivation to run a short action research project.
- An interest in pronunciation and intonation or diverse Englishes.

The scholarship consists of:

- registration for the PronSIG Pre-Conference Event
- registration for the IATEFL Conference
- GBP 1000.00 towards your travel, accommodation and any other conference-related expenses
- Support and mentoring to plan and complete your classroom-based action research project.
- Support and mentoring to publish your findings in PronSIG's biannual journal *Speak Out!*

To qualify you must:

- be an individual member of IATEFL and a member of PronSIG
- be a teacher of any background and at any stage of your career
- be willing to present your research at a future/upcoming PronSIG event.
- be willing to publish your findings in PronSIG's biannual journal *Speak Out!*

To be considered you must submit:

- A research proposal via your IATEFL dashboard

The submission deadline is **16.00 (UK time) on Wednesday 21 June 2023**. Early submissions are very welcome; late submissions will not be considered.

The result of your application will be emailed to you between **7 and 21 August 2023**. Please do NOT contact the IATEFL Head Office about scholarship decisions; the Scholarship Committee will send everyone the results as soon as they are available.