

TDSIG Michael Berman Scholarship

This scholarship funded by the IATEFL Teacher Development Special Interest Group, is in memory of Michael Berman, an ELT writer, presenter and storyteller, who regularly contributed his stories and teaching ideas to the TDSIG Newsletter until his death in 2013. It is for a teacher to attend the IATEFL Annual Conference and to have the opportunity to be published through TDSIG platforms about your experiences. It will be awarded to someone who is interested in exploring their own development and is able to write about this engagingly so that others can share in and benefit from these insights. You have to be a member of IATEFL TDSIG to apply for this scholarship but you do not have to give a conference presentation.

The award consists of:

- registration for the TDSIG Pre-Conference Event
- registration for the IATEFL Annual Conference
- GBP 1000.00 for conference-related expenses

To qualify you must:

- be a paid IATEFL individual member
- be a member of TDSIG
- be questioning about your teaching and willing to learn
- be good at articulating your thoughts
- agree, if you win the scholarship,
 - a) to be interviewed in advance of the conference to introduce yourself and your teaching context and at or after the conference to describe your experience and takeaways as a participant
 - b) to create a video narrative/story about a significant teacher development moment in your career
 - c) to produce a written reflective piece after the conference, in which you should focus on how your experiences at the conference have furthered your development

All three pieces may be used by TDSIG for various uses in promotional material.

To be considered you should submit:

- a summary of between 400 and 500 words, where you should clearly:
 - a) describe briefly your teaching context(s)
 - b) outline the developmental high points so far in your career
 - c) indicate how attending the conference would further your development
- a short video (maximum 5 minutes), which previews what you would likely discuss in b) above. Since the application form does not allow for the uploading of media, you will need to share your statement with us by including a link to it within your 400-500 word review.

The submission deadline is **16.00 (UK time) on Thursday 4th July 2019**. Early submissions are very welcome; late submissions will not be considered.

The results will be announced between Tuesday 27th August 2019 and Friday 6th September 2019. 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.