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TESOL and ETS Announce 2013 TESOL Award for Distinguished Research

Alexandria, VA (18 March 2013) – [TESOL International Association](#) and [ETS's TOEFL® Program](#) announce that Dr. Andreea Cervatiuc is the recipient of the 2013 [TESOL Award for Distinguished Research](#). The award honors an author who has completed an empirical research project and a subsequent scholarly paper that was published in a peer-reviewed scholarly journal. Dr. Cervatiuc will be recognized at the opening session of the [2013 TESOL International Convention & English Language Expo](#) in Dallas, Texas, USA.

Dr. Cervatiuc is being honored for her paper “Curriculum Meta-Orientations in the Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada Program” published in the [Canadian Journal for the Study of Adult Education](#). The article, coauthored by Dr. Thomas Ricento, is based on a large-scale research project conducted at the University of Calgary.

“The most important practical application of this article is that it gives ESOL professionals a framework for articulating and becoming aware of their educational beliefs, underlying ideologies, and curriculum meta-orientations,” said Cervatiuc. “Another important implication of this research study is the recommendation for TESOL programs to offer courses that draw on critical applied linguistics (CAL). CAL emphasizes the need to link language teaching to social context, identity, and social transformation.”

Dr. Cervatiuc works as a researcher and instructor in the Faculty of Education, at the [University of Calgary](#) in Canada, where she teaches undergraduate and graduate courses to students from all over the world who are practicing and aspiring ESOL teachers. Her research interests include second language acquisition and assessment, ESOL education, multilingualism, and language policy.

The winner of the TESOL Award for Distinguished Research receives US\$1,000; a free one-year membership in TESOL International Association; a one-year subscription to [TESOL Quarterly](#); and registration, travel and accommodations for the TESOL International Convention & English



Language Expo. The award recipient also delivers a presentation on the winning research at the TESOL convention.

About TESOL International Association

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