



## **2026 Stipends for Teachers to attend the 108th Annual AATSP Conference in Orlando, Florida**

*The AATSP Exams (NSE), a program of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP), is committed to providing teachers with opportunities to continue their professional development so as to design instruction and assessments from firsthand experiences with Spanish language and culture. To this end, AATSP Exams will offer stipends for teachers to attend the 108th Annual Conference of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP) in Orlando, Florida from July 8 - 11, 2026.*

### **ELIGIBILITY**

For the 2026 stipend, applicants **MUST**:

- Be a current member of AATSP.
- Be registered to administer the online National Spanish Exam, National Spanish Challenge, National Spanish Assessments or National Portuguese Exam in 2025/26.
- Have administered at least *one* of the following exams in the 2023/24 or 2024/25 academic year: National Spanish Exam, National Spanish Challenge, National Spanish Assessments or National Portuguese Exam.
- Be a full-time Spanish or Portuguese teacher in a public, private or parochial school for the 2025/26 academic year.
- Have a minimum of 1 year of teaching experience.

### **COMMITMENT**

Applicants must be committed to attend and participate in the professional development opportunities at the 2026 AATSP conference in *Orlando, Florida*. In order to prove acceptance of the scholarship, the winning teachers will be expected to register for the AATSP conference and create a short bio, along with a photo, by no later than January 31, 2026 and submit confirmation to: [nse@aatsp.org](mailto:nse@aatsp.org).

## **REQUIREMENTS**

1. Winners must attend the entire AATSP Conference. Additionally, winners must attend the following events (including but not limited to): special events (i.e. keynote speaker sessions), professional development activities/sessions, all AATSP Exams sessions, the Celebration Dinner, and the AATSP Awards Ceremony.
2. Winners must secure their own lodgings near the location of the AATSP Conference.
3. Winners must also secure their own transportation and submit confirmation to [nse@aatsp.org](mailto:nse@aatsp.org).
4. If the winner cannot attend the entire AATSP Conference, the trip will be forfeited and another applicant will be chosen. *This award may not be postponed to another year.*
5. Upon return from the Conference (and no later than July 31st, 2026), winners are required to send an account of their experiences to [nse@aatsp.org](mailto:nse@aatsp.org) including several digital photographs (and/or videos) to be published on the AATSP Exams/AATSP websites. *This can be submitted via email, google form, or link to an online blog/video log.*

## **SELECTION and PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

All applications must be received by December 15, 2025. The proposals will then be reviewed in December and the recipients will be notified by January 16, 2026. Payment of the scholarship will be made *after* the winner has attended and fulfilled the commitments as outlined above, including a signed PD/CEU form.

The recipient will be required to submit the PD/CEU form as well as \$500 worth of receipts to the AATSP Manager by July 31st, 2026. Receipts can include lodging and/or transportation.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

1. **Fill out the online application form:** [Orlando Application Form](#)
2. **Write a letter**, no longer than one page, in which you describe how attending the AATSP conference in Orlando will help you advance/assist in your classroom programming.
3. **Provide a resume or (CV) curriculum vitae:** (*File name: Applicant Name – Resume/CV*): Applicants must attach either a *resume* or *curriculum vitae* in PDF format to their application form.
4. **Provide a letter of recommendation:** (*File name: Applicant Name – Recommendation*): Applicants must attach to the application form one (1) letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a qualified person who can speak to the applicant's dedication to language education, professional growth, and positive contributions to their learning community.

**If you have any questions regarding the award, application procedure, or application process please email [nse@aatsp.org](mailto:nse@aatsp.org).**

*Please note: All application materials become the property of AATSP Exams and will not be returned.*