



TESL ONTARIO RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

MANDATE

The mandate of the Research Advisory Committee is to support and encourage research and scholarship at all levels of the TESL Ontario association and community of practice, within a broad framework of theoretical and methodological diversity and inclusive, equitable and ethical research practice. Specifically, the committee will:

- Provide input and direction to assist the association with identifying areas of focus for meaningful research activities;
- Offer recommendations for research projects and provide direction to ensure desired results;
- Help identify funding opportunities;
- Support mobilization and synthesis of insights and implications from empirical research and scholarship in Canada and beyond;
- Cultivate and strengthen research-practice partnerships, networks and professional relationships.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The volunteer members of the committee (6-8) are recruited from the general membership. Committee members possess a related graduate degree and have demonstrated experience with planning, conducting, and evaluating research activities in the broad fields of applied linguistics and language education. Committee members are familiar with current research issues and share a demonstrated commitment to engaging in research. Interested individuals are required to submit an "Expression of Interest in Joining a TESL Ontario Committee" form and a CV.

CHAIRPERSON

The Chair is appointed by and reports to the Executive Director. The Chair ensures the Committee carries out the mandate and represents the TESL Ontario membership in related research activities to the best of its ability.

TERM

The term of service on the Research Advisory Committee is two years with the option for reappointment for a further two-year term.

MEETINGS

Frequency of meetings as determined by the committee Chair. Meetings may be face-to-face or virtual.

AGENDA

The Chair shall develop an agenda in advance of each meeting.

MINUTES

The Chair shall take minutes, send to the TESL Ontario office within two weeks and TESL Ontario will keep a record on file. The minutes will subsequently be circulated to all committee members with the agenda for the next meeting.

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