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CATE 2023-24 Report

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Executive members 2023-2024

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Additional elected CATE representatives

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Current SIG Presidents

CAARE Canadian Association for Action Research in Education,	Glenda Black, Nippising	gblack@nippisingu.ca
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Membership Numbers for CATE and its SIGs 2023-2-24

Association/SIG	Membership
CATE	541 (+103)
CAREC	66
TATE	73
PHETE	21
SSTEP	45
CAARE	54

Executive Leadership Transitions

Cathryn Smith is completing her term as CATE Past-President in 2024. Leyton Schnellert completes a two-year term as President and Sheryl MacMath begins two-year term as Vice-President and Program Chair. Thank you to Cathyrn for your exceptional 6-year commitment in the Vice President, President, and Past President roles. Sheryl MacMath has gone well above and beyond what was anticipated in her role as Program Chair. Thank you for your hours of service and adaptive expertise.

Key CATE Initiatives 2023-2024

The CATE/ACFE Executive met eight times during the year using Zoom as our meeting platform. This year the Executive focused on different initiatives to further the work of the association and teacher education nationally and globally.

1. CSSE 2023 Conference

- a. CATE had 89 papers, 21 roundtables, 7 symposia, 5 posters, and 4 themed discussions in the first draft program.
- b. CATE received the highest number of submissions of any Association
- c. AMPL strike, student encampment, and police action resulted in decision to move the conference off camps
- d. Proposal to establish a Conference Committee

2. CATE Awards

- a. **Awards for Theses and Dissertations on Teacher Education:** We are delighted with the diversity of this year's award winners – their research spans many aspects of teacher education. In 2024, 12 graduate students / graduates were selected for this award. Awards ceremony and poster session to be chaired by Cathryn Smith, CATE Past President. Recognition of the award recipients is available on the CATE website: <https://cate-acfe.ca/awards/>

3. Award for Research on Teacher Education

- a. This award recognizes significant contributions to research in teacher education in Canada. Criteria for the award include evidence of excellence in research in teacher education through publications, presentations or other contributions, as well as overall influence on the field of teacher education research in Canada and internationally.
- b. We are delighted to announce Dr Sharon Friesen as the recipient of this award. Dr Friesen delivered this year's CATE keynote.

4. Communications and Social Media:

- a. **Website** – parallel content has been posted in both English and French (<https://cate-acfe.ca>)

- b. **Newsletter** - Fall, Winter and Spring newsletters were distributed to members this year. We have made strides in creating a two-column bilingual format.
 - c. **Facebook** - Thank you to Caroline Riches for your Facebook stewardship.
 - d. **Language:** CATE is working towards becoming a bilingual association, efforts this year included circulation of our graphic guide for preparing bilingual presentations, publishing a bilingual newsletter, translating web page content, sending emails out in both languages when possible, preparing slides in French for CATE events, including French abstracts for CATE ebooks.
- 5. National Connections:**
- a. Our bi-annual working conference brings together Canadian scholars to share their work, make connections, and form affinity groups. The CATE working conference at Brandon University in Fall 2023 was a huge success. A peer reviewed collection of research will result in an edited book that includes chapters from researchers across Canada.
- 6. International Connections:**
- a. **WFATE Board of Directors** Past President, President and Vice-President have attended WFATE Board of Directors Meetings.
 - b. **WFATE International Teacher Education Conference.** CATE hosted the international WFATE Conference in July 2023 the University of Victoria, B.C. Preparations have involved monthly meetings and hours and hours of preparation. Special thanks to Mandeep Gabhi and Philippa Parks for co-chairing the WFATE conference committee. The UVIC Team led by Kathy Sanford and Kerry Robertson was involved in every aspect of the conference from re-visioning keynotes and plenaries, an on-the-Land pre-conference, to social events.
- 7. Scholarship:**
- a. **Working Conference Publication** Thank you to CSSE for funds in support of the 2023 Working Conference and upcoming copy editing of book.
 - b. We look forward to the publication of a teacher leadership themed collection featuring scholarship from CATE's 2023 working conference.
- 8. CATE Elections:** As per the CATE Constitution, the four Executive Positions will be elected at the 2024 AGM. The appointments are for two-year commitments.