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EPISODE 118: THE LANGUAGE TEACHER SHORTAGE WITH
PETE SWANSON

If you search for "language teacher recruitment and retention" on Google, you will quickly discover that Dr. Shannon Mason in Japan and Dr. Pete Swanson in the US are two of the leading voices in the discussion worldwide. In episode 118, Shannon interviews Pete about language teacher recruitment, development, and retention. Tune in to hear their discussion of how we can ensure a pipeline of qualified language teachers who feel supported throughout their careers.

In the meantime, get familiar with a few resources:

- the ACTFL position statement on teacher recruitment and retention
- Pete and Shannon's paper on teacher shortages from the Foreign Language Annals
- And here's a really insightful Forbes article about how policy and labor conditions lead to a teacher shortage.

RECAP OF EPISODE 117:
THE LANGUAGE CENTER'S ROLE ON
CAMPUS AND IN THE COMMUNITY
WITH ANGELIKA KRAEMER

When you hear the words "language center", do you think of rows of headphones and computers and students working in isolation? Or do you think of a thriving social space where undergraduate language students, graduate student instructors, and faculty all gather to share ideas, practices, and to foster language acquisition on campus? Check out episode 117 to hear Dr. Angelika Kraemer and Melanie Forehand discuss the new reality of the language center on college campuses.



We Teach Language contributor Rebecca Blouwoff recently appeared on the popular podcast Cult of Pedagogy in an episode entitled How World Language Teaching Has Evolved.

The episode is wonderful, and we are so proud of our friend and contributor. Listen and share with friends and colleagues!

REACTIONS TO PAST EPISODES:



Updates from Contributors



- The First Peoples' Cultural Conference recently released a paper to recognize and include indigenous cultural heritage. Aliana Parker (episode 71) works at the FPCC and discussed her work on that episode.
- A paper by Ryuko Kubota (episode 43) was recently published in *Applied Linguistics*. In it, Kubota discusses decolonizing scholarly knowledge as well as race and gender in applied linguistics.