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The XLVII FAAPI Conference was held in Santa Rosa, La Pampa last September and its central theme was teaching and learning English beyond the boundaries of disciplines. This three-day event was a fantastic opportunity to gain insights into ELT practices, to learn about new trends and to network with colleagues from all across our country.

Organized by APPI La Pampa, the conference's main focus was to discuss and reflect upon interdisciplinarity within our field. This topic also involved many aspects related to human rights, education for peace, the construction of citizenship, interculturality, Comprehensive Sexuality Education, among others. There were a variety of sessions including workshops, posters presentations, papers and "what worked in my class" presentations as well as debates, plenaries and other interesting displays.

The fact that it was an in-person conference fostered connections between teachers in Argentina in a greater way, and also a sense of community was shared. Not only did the event develop growth in our ELT world but also offered a great variety of speakers dealing with different realities in diverse teaching contexts. Having the opportunity to listen to outstanding professionals was amazing. The topics of the concurrent sessions were so interesting it was hard to choose which to attend. Varied issues and concepts were put on the spotlight such as social justice, global skills, mediation and multimodality.

All in all, this federal academic meeting resulted in a celebration for the ELT community. There were local artists who also joined this enriching event, and most important, there was room for debate, opinions, sharing and reflection.

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