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Cal Poly's College of Education Dean Receives National Research Award

SAN LUIS OBISPO—Bonnie Konopak, dean of Cal Poly's College of Education, and her research co-authors received the 2008 Award for Distinguished Research in Teacher Education.

Presented by the Association of Teacher Educators, the award recognized the research study, “Student Engagement in the Teaching and Learning of Grammar: A Case Study of an Early Career Secondary English Teacher.” Published in the Journal of Teacher Education (2007, 58:1), the study focused on one co-author's development as an educator throughout her university program, student teaching experiences, and first teaching jobs.

The researchers were recognized at the February conference of the Association of Teacher Educators in New Orleans. ATE is a national organization devoted to the improvement of teacher education. Its members represent over 700 colleges and universities, 500 major school systems, and the majority of the country's state departments of education.

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