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## <u>Alumnus has article published in summer issue of "The Language</u> Educator"

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Patrick Wallace, alumnus from the Department of Foreign Languages, recently had the article "Building a Globally Competent and Competitive Workforce for Today's and Tomorrow's World" published in the summer issue of the Language Educator by ACTFL (American Council for The Teaching of Foreign Languages) <u>Click this</u> <u>link to the publication, his article begins on page 45</u>.

Wallace currently serves as the Program Specialist for World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives with the Georgia Department of Education. Wallace has received numerous awards including being named a two-time teacher of the Year for both Fayette (2014) and Spalding (2010) Counties, the AATG Georgia German Teacher of the Year in 2013 and the 2019 Southern Conference on Language Teaching Leadership Award. He currently sits on several boards in the Atlanta area and is the President elect for the National Council on State Supervisors of Foreign Language. In his current role, he overseas several innovative programs at the Georgia Department of Education including the <u>Georgia Seal of Biliteracy</u>, <u>International Skills Diploma Seal</u> <u>Program</u> and the <u>Georgia Dual Language Immersion Initiative</u>.

Wallace received a Bachelor of Arts from Georgia Southern University in 1992, majoring in German and History with a minor in Spanish. He then went on to obtain his Master's in Education with an Emphasis in German in the spring of 1994 and became the first student recipient of a Fulbright scholarship to study in Austria at the University of Vienna. Prior to coming on board at the Department of Education, Wallace served 22 years as a public-school German teacher and in this role taught all levels K-12.

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