



FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS

Queen's University Belfast is pleased to announce its 1st Interdisciplinary Linguistics Conference (ILinC), a student-led venture to take place on 14-15 October 2011 (Friday and Saturday). This two-day conference is designed to offer participants a stimulating and friendly forum in which they may present and discuss their research findings. Additionally, the event aims at bringing together researchers from different academic divisions carrying out language studies in order to foster cross-disciplinary contact.

This year's conference theme is "Crossing Boundaries: The Impact of Language Studies in Academia and Beyond". We therefore seek to look into the role played by language studies both within the academic scenario and outside it, paying special attention to the relevance of current language research findings to society in general.

The following distinguished scholars have confirmed their participation at the conference:

- **Prof. Deborah Cameron** (University of Oxford);
- **Prof. Michael Halliday** (University of Sydney);
- **Prof. Ruqaiya Hasan** (Macquarie University).

Due to numerous requests, the deadline for submitting proposals has been extended **until July 24th**. We invite researchers (both students and staff members) working in the broad area of language studies to submit abstracts for oral and poster presentations based on the (non-exhaustive) list of areas below:

- Applied linguistics;
- Corpus linguistics;
- (Critical) Discourse analysis;
- Language change;
- Language policy;
- Language teaching/learning;
- Linguistic and cultural imperialism;
- Multimodality;
- Phonetics/phonology;
- Pragmatics;
- Semantics;
- Sociolinguistics;
- Syntax;
- Stylistics.

Given that there will be few parallel sessions in the 1st ILinC, we especially encourage the submission of poster proposals at this stage.

Submission guidelines

Proposals should be submitted via EasyAbs available at <http://go.qub.ac.uk/ilinc2011>, following the guidelines below:

1. Abstracts should be 300 words long (maximum) and should clearly indicate the research question/objective, literature review, methodology, results and conclusions (without any subheadings).
2. The DOC file to be submitted via the online facility should be formatted as such:
 - a. The first line should specify the title, which must be centralized, in bold, and in capital letters.
 - b. After skipping a line, the abstract should be typed, containing a maximum of 300 words. Citations should be included as deemed necessary, but there is no need to include full references at the end of the abstract.
 - c. Please do not use any foot/endnotes and avoid unusual symbols (such as phonetic transcriptions) which may be changed in electronic communication.

Key dates

- ~~Abstract submission deadline: 8 July 2011~~
- Final abstract submission deadline: 24 July 2011
- Notification of reviewers' decision: 15 August 2011
- Presenters' registration deadline: 26 August 2011
- Conference: 14-15 October 2011

Publication

It is expected that a selection of the papers presented at the conference will be published in an edited collection. Further information will be disclosed in due course.

Registration fees

- Early-bird registration (until 2 September 2011)
 - Student: £ 25
 - Staff: £ 40
- Regular registration (from 3 September 2011)
 - Student: £ 30
 - Staff: £ 50
- Fees include coffee breaks and lunch on both days, as well as a conference pack.

Further information

- Site: <http://go.qub.ac.uk/1stILinC>
- E-mail address: ilinc@qub.ac.uk

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