

11th Teaching and Language Corpora Conference, 2014 (TaLC 11): FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

The next TaLC conference will take place in 2014 at Lancaster University, UK.

The TaLC series of conferences was inaugurated in 1994. For this 20th anniversary event, we are delighted to welcome the eleventh TaLC back to Lancaster, the original host institution.

TaLC 11 will run from Monday 21st to Wednesday 23rd July (inclusive), with a pre-conference workshop day on Sunday 20th July.

We are pleased to announce that the following scholars have agreed to give plenary talks at TaLC 11:

- Laurence Anthony (Waseda University, Japan)
- Nick Ellis (University of Michigan, USA)
- Agnieszka Leńko-Szymańska (University of Warsaw, Poland)
- Paul Thompson (University of Birmingham, UK)
- Yukio Tono (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan)

With this announcement, we issue our **Call for Papers** and our **Call for Pre-Conference Workshops**.

This call can also be found on the conference website, <http://ucrel.lancs.ac.uk/talc2014> .

Call for papers

We invite submissions on any topic, whether applied, descriptive or theoretical, which brings together **corpus data or corpus linguistic methodology** with language learning and teaching, broadly defined. Topics that are within scope for TaLC include, but are not necessarily limited to, corpus-based approaches to any of the following:

- first and second language teaching and learning (including data driven learning materials and student-centred linguistic investigation)
- language awareness raising
- teaching languages for specific purposes
- teaching interpreting and translation
- teaching culture and history
- teaching literature
- teaching inter-cultural communication
- developing pedagogic grammars and learner dictionaries
- teacher education
- research on second language acquisition
- teaching of corpus methods to students and researchers in linguistics

Paper presentations will consist of a 20 minute talk followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussion. Papers reporting on **empirical research** should represent either completed work, or work in progress where some results can be reported. Presentations that take the

form of a **software demonstration** are welcome. We request abstracts of 750 words, not counting the reference list, for either type of presentation – formatted according to the stylesheet provided on the conference website, and submitted via our online system.

Submissions for **poster presentations** may be shorter (400-750 words not counting references). Typically, we would suggest submission of a poster abstract, rather than a paper presentation abstract, for: (a) reports on research that is in its very earliest phases with no intermediate or final results to report; (b) reports on new corpus data resources.

We especially encourage submission of abstracts from early-career researchers, including postgraduate research students and postdoctoral researchers.

Call for workshops

We invite proposals for pre-conference workshops. Workshops should be oriented towards developing participants' practical skills in some area of corpus construction or analysis relevant to the overall themes of the conference. They should be designed to be 2.5 to 3 hours long, ideally involving some hands-on activities (which may or may not be computer-lab-based, as per your preference, but please specify this!). We anticipate that we will offer four to six workshops in total.

Proposals for workshops, formatted as you see best and up to 1 page in extent, should be submitted by email to Andrew Hardie at a.hardie@lancaster.ac.uk (*not* submitted via the regular online system).

Key dates

- 31st October 2013 – abstract submission opens via conference website
- 6th January 2014 – deadline for abstract submission (including pre-conference workshops)
- 24th February 2014 – notification of the outcome of peer review; early-bird registration opens
- 14th April 2014 – early bird registration closes
- 29th June 2014 – final deadline for registration
- 29th June 2014 – final deadline for cancellation with refund of registration fees
- 20th / 21st July 2014 – pre-conference workshop day / main conference begins

About TaLC 11

This conference is hosted by the [UCREL research centre](#), which brings together the [Department of Linguistics and English Language](#) with the [School of Computing and Communications](#) at Lancaster University.

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