

Newsletter July, 2014

Time flies! We are now in July, feeling summer is approaching! Meanwhile, we cannot wait for the end of the rainy season in Japan. The July newsletter gives you information about a change of schedule and site for Summer Seminar 2014, manuscript submission for *Second Language Vol. 14*, abstract submission for J-SLA 2015 and Autumn Research Forum 2014.

(1) Summer Seminar 2014: change of date and place

Due to the various circumstances, we need to change the schedule. Please accept our apologies for the inconveniences our changes caused. The new date and site are as follows:

Date: September 1 (Mon) – 3rd (Wed)

Site: *Nojiriko* Seminar House (Nagano prefecture)

(http://www.chuo-u.ac.jp/campuslife/facilities_guide/chuo_seminar/nojiriko/)

Application deadline: July 31st (Thu)

*We can accommodate a fixed number of participants: we will not accept more than 30 registrants this year. Please note that once the number of participants reaches 30, registration will close immediately, even before the deadline.

Fee: 13,000 yen for regular members; 10,000 yen for student members; 18,000 yen for non-members; and 13,000 for students who are not members

- The bus service will be provided for those who are coming from Tokyo area. Please be aware that the transportation is not included in the fee.
- We now accept oral presentations on research including work-in-progress. We strongly encourage both undergraduate and graduate students who have been working on their theses to present their work. This would be a great opportunity to receive useful comments from other participants.
- All details including fees should appear on our website (<http://www.j-sla.org/index.html>) soon.
- Registration for the Summer Seminar is now open. Please visit the website for further details.
- All those who wish to register for the Summer Seminar must apply online.

(2) Article submission to *Second Language Vol. 14*

We invite manuscripts on empirical and theoretical research for *Vol. 14*. Please submit your manuscript as an attachment via e-mail. All submissions must conform to our guidelines for contributors (available online).

(3) Call for papers for J-SLA2015

The annual conference J-SLA 2015 will be held at Hiroshima University on June 6 and 7. Now we invite abstracts for oral presentation and poster presentation and encourage students to submit the abstract for Student Workshop. Please refer to the submission guidelines presented below:

=====

- (1) Dates: June 6 & 7, 2015
- (2) Place: Hiroshima University (<http://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/index-j.html>)
- (3) Plenary speaker: Dr. Holger Hopp (English Linguistics University of Mannheim, Germany)
- (4) Academic areas:

Abstracts are invited for papers or poster presentations on any theoretical or empirical area of research in second language acquisition (SLA).
- (5) Presentations:

Oral presentation of papers will be allotted 30 minutes (20 minutes for presentation, followed by 10 minutes for discussion).
- (6) Deadline for receipt of abstracts: February 14, 2015
- (7) Notification of acceptance: February 28, 2015
- (8) Abstract submission procedure:
 - a. The length of the abstract should not exceed 1,600 characters in Japanese or 1,000 words in English.
 - b. Submissions for papers and posters should be formatted in 10.5 pt Century in English or 10.5 pt MSMincho in Japanese.
 - c. Please submit your abstract as both Word and PDF documents attached to an email.
 - d. Please note whether you are willing to participate in the poster session should your paper not be accepted for oral presentation.
 - e. Please write "J-SLA2015_abstract" in the subject line including the following (in this order) in the body of the message:
 1. your name
 2. affiliation (in both native language and English and)
 3. address
 4. telephone number
 5. e-mail address
 6. type of proposal (Student Workshop*, paper, poster)(In case of dual submissions, please refer to (9e) below regarding abstract submission.)
 7. language to be used for presentation (i.e., Japanese or English)
- f. Please submit abstracts as an e-mail attachment to the following e-mail address:

shunjiL2@yahoo.co.jp (Shunji Inagaki)

*A Student Workshop will be held the morning of June 6, 2015. We plan to schedule parallel sessions to accommodate as many presentations as possible. The time allotted for each presentation is 20 minutes, with an additional 10 minutes for discussion. At least one expert in the area will attend each session to promote discussion and to provide advice. Presenters should be student members of J-SLA (see (10a) below). Work-in-progress is welcome.

(9) Notes regarding abstract submission:

- a. Figures and tables are not counted as part of the word limit but should be included in the abstract. The total length of the abstract should not exceed two A4 pages.
- b. Include the title of the abstract at the top and the number of characters (if written in Japanese) or word count (if written in English) at the bottom.
- c. Do not put name(s) of author(s) on abstracts, as they will be sent out for blind review.
- d. Submission of an abstract for oral presentation is taken to imply that it has been neither previously presented nor published elsewhere.
- e. Authors may submit only one abstract for consideration as a paper for oral presentation. This limit holds for all authors regardless of their status as primary or secondary author. Additional submissions for the Student Workshop or for poster presentations are also permitted as long as the contents of each submission are not the same.

(10) General notes

- a. All presenters must be members of J-SLA at the time of the conference; it is not necessary for co-presenters to be members.
- b. Information on joining J-SLA may be found at the following website:
<http://www.j-sla.org/e/index.html>
- c. The language of presentation may be either Japanese or English.
- d. No substitute presenters will be allowed.
- e. Regrettably, no financial support for transportation and accommodation will be offered.

For inquiry and more information, please contact Miki Shibata (J-SLA Secretariat) at shibatam@hiroshima-u.ac.jp.

(4) Autumn Research Forum

Place: Kwansei Gakuin University • Umeda campus, Room 1004 (10th floor)

[NB: This is a different campus from where the J-SLA 2014 annual conference was held]

Date: October 19 (Sun)

Registration 9:30 ~

Lecture 1 (10:30-12:00) Professor Ayumi Matsuo (Kobe College)

Lecture 2 (13:30-15:00) Professor Kiyomi Kusumoto (Kwansei Gakuin University)

Lecture 3 (15:15-16:45) Professor Hideki Kishimoto (Kobe University)

Fee : 1,000 yen for both members and non-members

*No pre-registration is required.