

J-SLA Newsletter (January & February 2019)

It is already February. Happy New Year (Did you know Chinese New Year is 5th February 2019?). This is a combined issue for January and February.

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1. J-SLA Annual Conference 2019 and Call for Papers

Dates: June 1 & 2, 2019

Venue: Chuo University, Tama Campus (Building No.3)

Access: <http://global.chuo-u.ac.jp/english/siteinfo/visit/tama/>

Invited Speaker: Dr. Bill VanPatten

Deadline for receipt of abstracts: February 28, 2019

Notification of acceptance: Around the end of March 2019

★J-SLA2019 Call for Papers

Call for Papers as Oral Presentations (20 mins presentation + 10 mins Q&A), Poster Presentations, Oral Presentations at the Student Workshop. Details are available at:

http://www.j-sla.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/JSLA2019_CallForPapers_English_02.pdf

< Some notes regarding abstract submission >

- (1) Submission of an abstract for presentation is taken to imply that it has been neither previously presented nor published elsewhere.
- (2) No substitute presenters will be allowed.
- (3) 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.

(4) The language of presentation may be either English or Japanese.

☆In-Progress studies are welcome for the Student Workshop. Experts' comments will be provided. The acceptance ratio is high so that the first experiencers are welcome. If you have any problems, please contact Shigenori Wakabayashi <J-sla2019@j-sla.org>.

◆For inquiries or further information, please contact Shigenori Wakabayashi (J-SLA Secretariat): j-sla2019@j-sla.org

2. Publication of *Second Language*, Vol. 17

The latest issue of *Second Language*, Vol. 17, will be sent to the members in February.

3. A summary of access to *Second Language*

The journal *Second Language* is also available online via J-STAGE. Below is last month's overview.

★Most viewed articles in Dec 2018

Rank	Article	Volume, starting page
1	Critical Period hypothesis on Language Acquisition	3, 3
2	The Role of Universal Semantic Features in L2 English Article Choice by L1 Japanese Speakers	15, 31
3	Linguistic Theory and Second Language Classroom Research: The Effectiveness of Explicit Instruction	16, 39
4	Moving Generative SLA from Knowledge of Constraints to Production Data in Educational Settings	16, 19
5	Overgeneralisation in Second Language Acquisition of Transitivity Alternations	4, 75

★Access ranking by country and region in October 2018

Rank	Countries/Regions	Access to	Access to PDFs
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		abstracts	
1	Japan	293	202
2	North America (USA, Canada, etc.)	137	54
3	East Asia (China, South Korea, etc.)	33	9
4	Western Europe (Germany, France, etc.)	12	7
5	Southeast Asia (Singapore, Vietnam, etc.)	12	0
	Others (Ethiopia, India, Iran, Republic of South Africa, Russia)	5	6
	Total	494	289

Analysis by the person in charge, and his message

- The list of most viewed articles shows that people accessed articles from older volumes to more recent ones.
- The access to papers increased from October (366) to December (494). Noteworthy is the fact that the number accessed in North America more than doubled from 51 to 137. Access from Ethiopia, India, Iran, and Republic of South Africa was also identified.
- It is likely that our well-developed homepage and publicizing our journal to other academic associations has helped increase traffic from a number of domestic and international users. We will continue to hand out flyers and posters.

<Notice>

J-STAGE has upgraded its encryption method to TLS 1.2 for better security, effective as of December 12, 2018. They recommend browsing in Chrome (Windows), Safari (Mac OSX & iOS), Chrome (Android mobile), Internet Explorer 11, and higher versions. Please use one of these designated browsers to avoid encountering problems.

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We would like to invite all members to make better use of the articles in *Second Language* for reviewing previous research.

4. Information on the J-SLA website

Information about job calls and upcoming conferences etc. are posted in the NEWS section of our website. We would like to post news relevant to our research there, so if you have any such news, please send it to the J-SLA office <swkbys37[at]tamacc.chuo-u.ac.jp>. Our foundation principles require a review by our public relations committee;

as a result, please understand that some information may not be placed on the website.

Current information from our 'NEWS'

【Academic Conferences (Only those whose abstract submission period is still open. Additional information is available on the J-SLA website)】

The European Second Language Association 29th Annual Conference (EuroSLA)
28-31 August 2019 Sweden 【abstract submission deadline: 15 February 2019 (extended)】

Second Language Research Forum (SLRF) 2019
19-22 September 2019, Michigan State University, USA 【abstract submission deadline: 3 March 2019】

【Miscellaneous】

Colloquium: Investigating Linguistic Knowledge and Behaviour among L2 Learners:
Sounds and Measurements [3/4 (月) Language Institute, Thammasat University
(Bangkok)】

You are invited to submit your abstracts to J-SLA 2019!!

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