

J-SLA Newsletter February, 2016

We hope that everyone is doing well. It is still cold here in Japan, although February 4th is the first day of spring according to the lunar calendar. The February newsletter provides information about PacSLRF 2016, the open seminar at Chuo University as well as a reminder about the Early Summer Research Forum 2016.

1. Notifications for presentations at PacSLRF 2016

Those who submitted an abstract for an oral or poster presentation, a colloquium, or student workshop should have received notification of acceptance or rejection on January 31st. The number of submissions and acceptances appear in the table below:

	Submissions	Acceptances
Colloquia	14	14
Oral presentations	179	99
Poster presentations	28	26
		51 (change from oral presentations)
Student workshops	12	12
Total	233	202

2. Change of dates for PacSLRF 2016 online registration

The registration was originally scheduled to begin on February 21st; however, due to unforeseen circumstances, it is rescheduled to March 1st.

3. Open seminar at Chuo University

An open seminar will be held at the Korakuen Campus of Chuo University on March 6th. The aim of this seminar is to discuss issues in language education and learning in Japan. The schedule will be as follows:

8:45-9:15 Registration

9:15-10:45 Panel discussion on language education from the perspective of language acquisition and learning

Discussants: Akihiro Kano (Kwassui Women's University), Shunji Inagaki (Nagoya University), Miki Shibata (Hiroshima University), Shigenori Wakabayashi (Chuo University)

11:00-12:30 Chuo University's new collaborative initiatives for language education with overseas universities

*Fee admission

*No pre-registration is required.

*Presentation language: Japanese (also English during Q & A sessions)

4. Reminder: Early Summer Research Forum 2016

As PacSLRF 2016 has been scheduled for next September, we will hold an Early Summer Research Forum this year instead of our annual Autumn Research Forum. The forum is open to the public and welcomes all who are interested in SLA related research. Bring your friends and colleagues to what is sure to be an inspiring event.

Place: Kyoto Women's University

Date: June 19, 2016 (Sun)

Invited speakers:

Dr. Shinichiro Ishikawa (Kobe University)

Dr. Miki Shibata (Hiroshima University)

Dr. Shiro Ojima (Shiga University)

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

*No pre-registration required.

*Presentation language: Japanese (also English during Q & A sessions)

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