

Proposal

Call for Proposals
The 1st Purdue University Graduate Student Symposium
on ESL Studies

Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN, USA
Saturday, April 4, 2009

PGSSES welcomes papers on all aspects of ESL studies. We especially welcome papers that address the following topics:

- Current and historical studies of L2 writing instruction
- Academic writing of ESL students
- Academic speaking of ESL students
- Computer-assisted assessment of oral proficiency
- Sociolinguistics of English in the global context
- Educational language planning
- Second language acquisition
- Qualitative and quantitative research in second language acquisition
- Language teaching
- Teacher training
- Curriculum design and materials development
- Teacher education
- Applied linguistics

Types of Proposals

Proposals for two types of presentations are being solicited: papers and demonstrations.

A paper (20 minutes) is an oral summary, with occasional reference to notes or a text, which describes or discusses something that the presenter is doing or has done in relation to theory or practice. Handouts and audiovisual aids may be used.

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A demonstration (20 minutes) shows, rather than discusses, a technique for teaching or testing. No more than 5 minutes is spent explaining the theory underlying the technique. The presenter provides handouts and may use audiovisual aids.

Format of abstract proposal

- Title in bold
- Text 300 words maximum
- Double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 point font
- Please put name, affiliation, address, telephone and email on a separate page

Deadline for Submitting a Proposal

All proposals must be submitted by **February 27, 2009**. Proposals may be submitted via email to Jihyun Im at jjihyun@purdue.edu using the Proposal Form. If you do not have access to a computer, send your proposal to the following address:

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Registering to Attend or Present at the Symposium

To attend the 1st PGSSSES, you must register for the Purdue University Graduate Student Symposium on ESL Studies. To register, contact Shih-Yu Chang at chang73@purdue.edu. Registrations must be received by **March 13, 2009**.

For more information, contact
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