8:30-9:00  Breakfast and Welcome Remarks by

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9:00-9:40 am Workshop 1: in G-101

Flex # 46595
Presenter: Dr. Trevor Shanklin
Director of Laboratory Operations at the Language Acquisition Resource Center (LARC)
San Diego State University

Topic: "Performance-Based Assessment: Oral Skills."

Abstract:
We’ll start by examining a rubric used to measure advanced level proficiency for the Internet-based CAST, developed at LARC/SDSU. By applying this rubric to sample recordings, teachers could be in the position to use proficiency tests to evaluate student progress in oral skills. Next we will look at the way performance based assessment is used in the Chinese Flagship program at Ohio State University with great success. Finally, we will review software currently used at LARC to assist teachers with performance based assessment, including Sound Studio, iMovie, Skype with Call Recorder, Horizon-Wimba, LARCStar and CAST. Some lab data showing student responses will be shared.

9:50-10:30 am Workshop 2. G-101

Flex # 46596
Presenter: Dr. Tianwei Xie
California State Univ.Long Beach
Dept.of Asian and Asian American Studies, CSU Long Beach

Topic: "Globalization and Foreign Language Teaching: How Internet Impacts it."

Abstract:
Globalization and Internet impact greatly on foreign language teaching. The demand for cross-linguistic and cross-cultural communication is increasing and foreign language skills are more and more required in the job market. Internet becomes a powerful learning tool and abundant resources for language learners. Computer mediated communication (CMC) changes the views and ways of foreign languages teaching. Email, blog, podcasting and virtual classrooms are widely used now. It can be predicted that use of computer and Internet in language teaching will be no longer ‘high tech ’.It will be ‘normalized ’ and become part of life in the days to come.
10:45-11:30 am Workshop 3: in G-101
Flex # 46600
Presenter: Professor David Detwiler
Cuyumaca College, El Cajon, San Diego

Topic: "Teaching Spanish in the 21st Century"

Abstract:
Can students learn languages online? What are the technologies available that can assist instructors that are willing to take the plunge but that are unwilling to sacrifice the face-to-face interaction of the traditional classroom? Participants of this session will discuss ways that we, as educators, can integrate technology in the Foreign Language classroom without sacrificing true communication. This session should particularly benefit those language teachers who are searching for new and innovative strategies to integrate technology. It will also benefit those that might be contemplating taking the leap into either the blended or fully online platform. The presentation will include an interactive discussion and demonstration of some of the technologies that are appropriate for use in the foreign language classroom.

11:40-12:20 Workshop 4. I-207-L
Flex # 46601
Presenter: Dr. Francisco Zabaleta
Language Laboratory Director, San Diego Mesa College.

Topic: "Online Authentic Materials: A Hands-On Workshop"

Abstract:
Authentic materials refer to language samples, either oral or written, that reflect the appropriate grammatical and cultural use of language in real-life situations. Rather than thinking about students of language, the developers of authentic materials had "the consumer" or the general public in mind when they developed those materials. Since the advent of the Internet, the availability of authentic materials to second language educators has grown exponentially and we can say that today we have an almost unlimited number of materials that can be used for pedagogical purposes. This hands-on workshop offers practical exercises of the use of Internet materials for teachers of language.

12:30-1:30 pm Catered Lunch
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