The First CLTA International Symposium on Chinese Language Teaching and Learning

Short Title: CLTA-ISCLTL

October 25-26, 2014

The Chinese Language Teachers Association (U.S.A.) is pleased to announce its **First International Symposium on Chinese Language Teaching and Learning** to be held **October 25–26, 2014,** at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, U.S.A.

SYMPOSIUM THEME: Chinese L2 Instruction in a Global Context

CONFERENCE WEBSITE: http://clta-us.org/clta-iscltl



LOCATION: Biddle Hotel and Conference Center

Indiana University, 900 E. Seventh St., Bloomington, IN 47405

SUBJECT LANGUAGES: Chinese, English

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

CLTA-ISCLTL 2014 invites proposals for panels, individual presentations and posters on Chinese L2 instructional theories and pedagogy. We believe this is an invaluable opportunity for Chinese L2 teachers, administrators, and researchers to share knowledge in promotion of the best practices in the field. Attendees can expect enlightening presentations on a variety of topics supporting the 2014 symposium's theme, "Chinese L2 Instruction in a Global Context." All presenters must register for the conference but do not need to be a current CLTA member. Please visit the conference website for proposal submission guidelines and procedures.

Proposal submissions are due by March 18, 2014, 11:59 p.m. EST. Please refer to the Proposal Submission Guidelines for detailed information regarding submission procedures. On-line submissions will open on February 15.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Plenary sessions
- Panel sessions
- Poster Sessions
- Workshops
- Roundtable discussions
- Book exhibitions
- Local sightseeing
- Free reception

Plenary sessions offer the attendees the opportunity to listen to invited prominent speakers on the latest trends in the research and teaching of Chinese L2.

Workshops (registration required) will involve the audience in active participation on the topic or materials provided by our experienced workshop presenters. Workshop themes include:

- K-12 Chinese L2 pedagogy: Successes and challenges
- College level: How to conduct action research in your classroom
- Career development for graduate students: Job Search 101—from job ads to interviews

Roundtable discussions will feature a team of established scholars and educators in Chinese L2 to share their expertise in the field. In particular, they will answer audience questions that concern the research, teaching and development of our field.

Book exhibitions feature popular titles and materials of interest and participants may receive discounted rates to purchase books from the symposium exhibitors.

The conference committee will provide (1) a free reception on Friday evening as a platform for professional and social networking, (2) information regarding opera performances and Broadway shows at IU on Saturday and (3) a local sightseeing tour on Sunday afternoon to appreciate the beautiful fall leaves in Brown County State Park (http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2988.htm).





Detailed information regarding conference activities will be released subsequently.

IMPORTANT DATES

Proposal submissions due: March 18, 2014, 11:59 p.m. EST

Acceptance notification (by email): April 18

Registration begins: April 20

Early bird registration deadline: June 30

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please register and pay for the 2014 CLTA-ISCLTL via the conference website:

http://clta-us.org/clta-iscltl

Registration fees for CLTA members:

• Early bird registration:

O CLTA members: \$70

O CLTA members currently residing in Indiana: \$50

Student members: \$50

• Regular registration: \$90

CLTA members currently residing in Indiana: \$50

• On-site registration: \$110

Registration fees for non-CLTA members:

Early bird registration: \$90Regular registration: \$110On-site registration: \$130

Detailed information regarding conference activities, registration and lodging will be released subsequently on the conference website.

CONFERENCE HOTEL RESERVATION

Designated conference hotel:

Biddle Hotel and Conference Center 900 E. Seventh St. Bloomington, IN 47405

Reserve online at http://imu.indiana.edu/hotel/index.shtml or call (800) 209-8145 before September 25.

Other hotels within walking distance:

(Forthcoming)

SYMPOSIUM ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Yea-Fen Chen (Committee Chair), Chengzhi Chu, Wei Hong, Helen Shen, Hongyin Tao, Mindy Zhang

Under the Organizing Committee, three sub-committees have been formed to manage conference preparation matters:

- Conference Committee (Chair: Yea-Fen Chen)
- Professional Development Committee (Chair: Wei Hong)
- Program Committee (Chair: Helen Shen)
 - o Cheng-zhi Chu (Associate Professor, University of California, Davis)
 - Nan Jiang (Associate Professor, University of Maryland)
 - Chuanren Ke (Professor, University of Iowa)
 - o Hongyin Tao (Professor, University of California, LA)
 - Xiaohong Wen (Professor, Houston University)
 - o Jing Wang (Associate Professor, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis)
 - Yun Xiao (Professor, Bryant University)
 - o Fangyuan Yuan (Associate Professor, US Naval Academy)
 - Phyllis Zhang (Associate Professor, The George Washington University)

Questions?

Please send queries to the following contacts according to their respective subjects:

- Questions regarding registration and logistical issues: CLTA-ISCLTL@gmail.com (Ai-Chu Ding, the Conference Committee Assistant)
- Questions regarding proposal submissions: shuyi-yang@uiowa.edu (the Program Committee Assistant)

- For technical problems in submitting the proposal via the conference website: cltaassistant@gmail.com (2014 CLTA-ISCLTL Web Team)
- Questions regarding plenary sessions, workshops, roundtable discussions and book exhibitions: hongwei@purdue.edu (Professor Wei Hong)