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November 6 – 7, 2015
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Welcome to the CoTESOL 39th Annual Fall Convention

The optimism expressed by this year’s convention title (Blue Skies, Bright Future) is reflected throughout the convention program. When you attend the CoTESOL convention this fall (November 6-7, 2015 at the Radisson Hotel Denver Southeast), be prepared to have some difficult choices to make about which sessions to attend. This year's speakers, presenters and exhibitors comprise one of the most compelling and talented groups that we have ever assembled for our participants.

Our featured presentations include appearances by Thomas Healy of the Pratt Institute, New York, and Joe McVeigh, of Middlebury, Vermont. Our SIGnature Presentations are comprised of both nationally known luminaries and regional favorites, and our slate of presenters includes a broad and enthusiastic array of teachers, researchers, and administrators to whom the goal of CoTESOL is central to what we all do.

This conference will help you achieve your professional goals and bring you up to date on the latest research and best practices in teaching English while you have an extraordinarily positive experience. Be prepared to meet likeminded professionals and leaders in the field of Teaching English to Speakers of other Languages, and to collect exciting ideas and techniques that can be put to immediate use in your classroom. Don't forget to enjoy our entertainers beginning at 5:00 on Friday night, as we extend our 'blue' theme to the Blues/Gypsy-Jazz Fusion band Paper Moonshine. Come and join us as we learn and celebrate our community!

Respectfully,

Susan Holloway, Program Chair
CoTESOL 2015 Convention at a Glance

On-site Registration: Lobby

Friday 7:45 am – 3:00 pm
Saturday 7:45 am – Noon

Publishers’ Exhibits: Arapahoe/Douglas Rooms
(Coffee and breakfast rolls served until noon)

Friday 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Saturday 8:00 am – Noon

Live Entertainment: Jefferson Room
Presenting “Paper Moonshine”
Alternative bluegrass meets gypsy jazz
Friday 5:00 – 6:00 pm

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Featured Presentation:

Looking in, looking out: Expanding our vision
Joe McVeigh
[Friday, 8:45 – 10:00 am, Jefferson]

Featured Presentation:

Teaching in the 21st Century: How can the 20th Century teacher teach the 21st Century learner?
Thomas Healy
[Saturday, 8:45 – 10:00 am, Jefferson]

Convention Committee
Past President – Chris Tombari
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Registration – Larry Fisher

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<td>eCALLMS modules: Connecting academic language and content Kara Viesca, Tamara Milbourn (BE, EE, SE)</td>
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<td>Technology tools for K-12 English learners Sarah E. Klieforth (BE, CA, EE, SE)</td>
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<td>Is the novel still novel? Chad Bramble, Amber Christensen, Lisa Fuller (CA, GA, IEP/HE)</td>
<td>Why America won’t be a multilingual nation Rocky Hill (GA)</td>
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<td>Not on my watch: Helping ELLs make the successful transition to middle and high school Hilario Benzon, Victoria Baldwin (CA, EE, SE)</td>
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<td>Publisher Session: Teach ESL with U.S. embassies worldwide Danielle Yates (U.S. Department of State English Language Programs)</td>
<td>Vibrant organized academic writing Mary Corena Hilken (EE, IEP/HE, SE)</td>
<td>Teaching pronunciation with hand signals Gunilla Johnson, Ryan Jeffers (AE, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>Bridge to the university: International student success Barbara Focke, Summer Webb, Kirsten Stauffer, Agnes Farkas Roszell, Kimberly McMillen (IEP/HE)</td>
<td>State legislation, public universities and international students Tamara Milbourn (IEP/HE, PA)</td>
<td>Great graphics! Designing visual materials for enhanced language learning Olivia Conner, Juniper Stokes (TE/AR)</td>
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<td>English learners and gifted programming: Identify, plan, serve Remy Rummel, Natasha Straayer, Robin Carey (TE/AR, EE, PA, SE, GA)</td>
<td>We can do it! Growing student’s language through measurable goals Erika Lee, Alexis Ross, Dahlia Mohammad, Jodi Venzara (EE, SE)</td>
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<td>Simple science: STEM experiments for ESL classrooms Nick Einterz (Tech, CA, IEP)</td>
<td>Google-versing your classroom Vincent Adams (SE, GA)</td>
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<td>Using acting skills as an ESL method Mike Hammond (AE, CA, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>How the ELL to read independently?! Cara Schroeder (CA, SE, GA)</td>
<td>Songs as narrative examples for ESL writing classes Mike Hammond (AE, CA, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>Mark A. Clarke, Annie Trujillo, Robert Hubbard, Erin Kimmell (TE/AR, PA, SE)</td>
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<td>The journey: Engaging English language learners with Google Maps</td>
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<td>Beyond faculty meetings: A model for classes</td>
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<td>Habits for highly effective teens</td>
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<td>WOW/MOM: Word of the week/maths of the month</td>
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<td>Instructor or disciplinarian?</td>
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<td>Family language planning: Saudi sojourners in the US</td>
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<td>Co-teaching: Providing access, developing language, and building capacity</td>
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<td>Student self-assessments: Perspectives and approaches</td>
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<td>Supporting English learners within a tiered framework Kim Watchorn, Rebekah Ottenbreit (EE, IEP/HE, GA)</td>
<td>Phonetic transfer issues between Spanish and English Nate Will, Anabela Valerioti (AE, EE, SE, GA)</td>
<td>10 interactive technologies to engage millennials learners Devon Jancin, Tara Brandenburg (Tech, SE, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>Creating connections and language confidence through Facebook J. Niko Kirby, Ariana Van Beurden (Tech, SE, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>Effective paraphrasing techniques for academic success Patricia Juza (TE/AR, IEP/HE)</td>
<td>Designing effective student learning outcomes and assessments Patricia Juza (AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE, PA)</td>
<td>Promoting ELL literacy in school and home Katy Brammer (TE/AR, EE, SE)</td>
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<td>Supporting students from diverse cultures Mary Hanson, Nuha Alaquee, Raga Elmazaini (AE, EE, IEP/HE)</td>
<td>Challenges Arabic students encounter in the USA Layla Malander (IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>From the mouth of babes: What ELs want from their learning Stephanie Johnson, Leah Parker, Teresa Kulow (TE/AR, CA, EE, SE, GA)</td>
<td>Seeking bright futures for below grade-level readers Katherine E. Beck, Stefanie Pleiss (TE/AR, BE, EE)</td>
<td>Multi-district collaboration in the Pikes Peak region Leslie Grant, Kristyl Boies, Jennifer Duarte, Martina Meadows (EE, PA, SE)</td>
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<td>Using vocabulary logs for improved vocabulary instruction Stuart Landers, Jessica Avery, Amber Patterson (SE, GA, IEP/HE)</td>
<td>Using corpora to teach grammatical patterns Brian Doebbeling, Amber Patterson (Tech, IEP/HE)</td>
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<td>Curricular exit assessments: Paving pathways for refugees Sara K. Holzbein (AE, TE/AR, PA)</td>
<td>Video tools for refugee family engagement, school orientation, and professional development Lauren Swain (AE, PA, IEP/HE)</td>
<td>English learners can be scientists and mathematicians! Elizabeth Franklin, Kirsten Keenan, Carrie Campbell (EE)</td>
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Biography: Joe McVeigh is an independent consultant and author based in Middlebury, Vermont. Much of his career has been spent teaching, coordinating and administering intensive English programs, primarily in southern California, where he worked with students from more than 45 countries. He has lived and worked overseas in China, India, Hungary, Chile, the UK, and Saudi Arabia and has worked for the US State Department in Oman, the UAE and Spain. His co-authored books include Tips for Teaching Culture: Practical Approaches to Intercultural Communication from Pearson and two books in the Q: Skills for Success series from Oxford University Press. More information at www.joemcveigh.org/about.

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**Featured Presentation**

**Teaching in the 21st Century: How can the 20th Century teacher teach the 21st Century learner?**

Saturday, November 6  
8:45 to 10:00  
Jefferson Room

**Abstract:** Research strongly suggests that “Net-generation learners” have profoundly different ways of learning—and indeed, interacting with the world—compared to previous generations. This development provides “20th Century teachers” with an enormous challenge: how do we respond to these differences in a constructive and productive way? In this session, I will describe my own journey from refusing to adapt to these changes, to accepting, and finally embracing the new learning styles and preferences of my learners. Ultimately, it can be enormously professionally fulfilling when 20th Century teachers finally acknowledge that they too need to become “21st Century Learners.”

**Biography:** Thomas Healy is an instructor at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York and at Hyung Hee Cyber University, based in Seoul, South Korea. His research interests include developing self-supported technology solutions using widely available and easy to use digital tools. He is a co-author of the *Smart Choice* series published by Oxford University Press.

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### SIGnature Presentation

**Making students’ thinking visible**

**Friday, November 6**  
**10:15 to 12:00**  
**Jefferson Room**

**Abstract:** Do you ever wonder what your students are thinking? Come participate in routines from Harvard Project Zero that help make students’ thinking visible. These routines also develop students’ oral and written language skills. Discover concrete strategies that help students at different levels of language proficiency express their understanding.

**Biography:** Beth Skelton, M.A. Ed., is an international consultant presenting workshops and coaching teachers who work with English Language Learners. She has taught English and German at most grade and ability levels and continues to be fascinated by the process of language acquisition. She is the author of student and teacher materials for ESL entitled *Putting it Together*, which incorporate the TPR Storytelling method. From 2010 to 2013, she coordinated the English as an Additional Language Program at the Bavarian International School north of Munich, Germany. She currently works with schools to enhance instruction for all language learners and is the proud mother of a trilingual daughter.

*Sponsored by CoTESOL’s Elementary Education Special Interest Group*  
*Co-chairs: Lisa Antweiler and Elizabeth Schroeder*

### SIGnature Presentation

**10 tips for teaching short stories**

**Friday, November 6**  
**10:15 to 12:00**  
**Conifer Room**

**Abstract:** Research shows that analyzing literature is a useful and engaging way to get students to think critically and enhance language skills in preparation for college. The presenter will offer 10 tips on how to maximize the use of stories in the classroom. Two literary excerpts will illustrate her points.

**Biography:** Sybil Marcus is the author of the *A World of Fiction* series, which uses literature to teach integrated language and critical thinking skills to ESL/EFL students at the high-intermediate to advanced levels. She has lived and worked on four continents and taught ESL at the University of California at Berkeley Extension and in the Summer English Language Studies program on the U.C. Berkeley campus. Sybil has been a frequent presenter at ESL/EFL conferences in the United States, Mexico and Canada. For over 15 years, she ran PCIs at TESOL on using literature for integrated language studies. She has conducted workshops in Russia, Colombia, and Peru for the State Department on using literature for critical thinking purposes and using literature for conflict resolution.

*Sponsored by CoTESOL’s Content Area Special Interest Group*  
*Co-chairs: Tom Germain and Sandy Stokely*
Abstract: This session will describe how a virtual reality game, Trace Effects, was conceptualized and created as an ELT tool. The online and DVD-based game is supplemented with language practice exercises and supplemental games within the game itself, plus graphic novels and teacher resources. The game and material are designed for teacher use in the classroom as well as individual student use. Trace Effects was created as a partnership between the US Department of State for project funding, University of Oregon and Ohio University for linguistic and teaching content, and The SuperGroup for the game itself.

Biography: Deborah Healey is a TESOL Board member. She has been teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language since 1976 and using computer technology in teaching since 1984. She has published and presented extensively in the area of computer-assisted language learning. She is a co-author and primary editor of TESOL Technology Standards: Description, Implementation, and Integration and of TESOL Technology Standards: Framework Document; and she has chapters on learner autonomy and software/Internet resources for language teaching in CALL Environments. She was the head of the linguist/scriptwriting team for Trace Effects, a new computer game for English language learners. She has given workshops most recently in Serbia, Croatia, Egypt, Malaysia, Qatar, Bahrain, Colombia, Uruguay, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Morocco, Thailand, Palestine, and Tunisia. She teaches online and face-to-face classes at the University of Oregon’s American English Institute/Department of Linguistics. Her Ph.D. is in Computers in Education.

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SIGnature Presentation
Exploring differing views of language and pedagogy

Friday, November 6 10:15 to 12:00 WMDC Building, 3rd Floor, Room 1

Abstract: This experiential workshop will provide participants the opportunity to experience language learning via several different approaches. We will discuss each experience through the lenses of the parts of language emphasized and learned, importance or lack thereof of accuracy, and English as a lingua franca.

Biography: Marti Anderson has taught, trained, and supported teachers in both formal and non-formal contexts for 25 years. She has worked with teachers of English and French as well as those who teach non-language subjects and trainers who work in the trades and other technical environments. Marti has worked with teachers in dozens of countries on six continents; these teachers have taught in a range of contexts from the preschool to the post-graduate level, in rural and urban schools, in schools with rich resources and those largely resource-poor, and in situations where the teachers are teaching in their mother tongue or using a foreign language. Marti sees the opportunities she has had to be with teachers in their classrooms as the most exciting, rewarding, and humbling aspect of her professional work. She loves the face-to-face teaching that is often involved. She has developed and taught online courses for teachers and for training professionals and has trained teachers via television and via web-based technologies. Marti is interested in fostering human potential through humanistic pedagogies, reflective practice, and cross-cultural understanding in educational environments. She is especially drawn to exploring and understanding the transformative features of teaching and learning. She holds degrees from the University of Hawaii, University of Minnesota, the School for International Training, and the California Institute of Integral Studies where she earned her PhD. Her studies at the California Institute of Integral Studies allowed her to integrate her interests in philosophy, world religions, systems thinking, chaos theory, organizational development theories, and subtle energies. Other interests in Marti’s life include experiencing the nuances of other cultures, adding to her international textile collection, cooking, yoga, and her family including her small granddaughter, Ava Marie.

Sponsored by CoTESOL’s Intensive English Programs/Higher Education Special Interest Group
Co-chairs: Michael Regan and Daniel Schweissing
SIGnature Presentation
Politics and English Language Learners

Friday, November 6  
1:30 to 2:15  
Jefferson Room

Abstract: No matter what your political leanings, policies at the state and local level can affect the English language learners in your class. Policies that affect parents trickle down to the children in K-12. Adult ESL instructors are familiar with the empty seat today that was occupied yesterday by an adult without documentation. In this SIG forum, we’ll take a look at current policies and initiatives that could affect English language learners of all ages in Colorado from four perspectives: a Colorado legislator, an immigration attorney, a local immigrant advocate, and a national policy analyst.

Panelists:

**Kat Bradley-Bennett**, the Socio-Political Liaison for CoTESOL, holds a BA in Music from Colorado College, a Masters in Adult Education and Training from Colorado State University, and Adult Basic Education Authorization from the Colorado Dept. of Education. She has taught English in China and in South Korea and has been involved in adult education, teaching ESL and teacher training and workshops in Colorado since 2002. Currently, she serves as the Program Director of St. Vrain Community Adult Education with El Comité in Longmont.

**Ian McKinley** is an attorney in Longmont, Colorado with the Aguirre Law Group who practices criminal, family and immigration law. He earned his law degree from the University of Colorado in 2013 with a focus on immigration law. Prior to law school, Ian lived in Puebla, Mexico for approximately 8 years, where he became fluent in Spanish. He earned a master’s degree in Political Science from a university there called Universidad de las Americas, where he worked closely with Mexico’s former Secretary of Economy and Foreign Affairs, Luis Ernesto Derbez, who was his master’s thesis advisor. Prior to that, Ian earned his undergraduate degree in International Affairs, studying the first half of his degree at the Universidad de las Americas, and the second half at the University of Colorado. His clientele is composed mostly of undocumented immigrants from either Mexico or Central America.

**Amanda Bergson-Shilcock** is Senior Policy Analyst at National Skills Coalition, focusing on immigration, adult basic education and ESOL. She analyzes policies, makes recommendations, and coordinates with National Skills Coalition member organizations to address issues facing adult learners, including immigrant workers. Amanda has authored numerous publications and policy recommendations on immigrant integration, workforce development, and adult education. She has extensive experience engaging state and federal policymakers. Prior to joining NSC, Amanda was Vice President of Policy and Evaluation at the nonprofit Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians in Philadelphia. Amanda holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Pennsylvania, where she studied American Civilization with an emphasis on minority populations. She is based in Philadelphia and Washington, DC.

**Representative Jonathan Singer** has served House District 11 since January, 2012 when he was chosen to fill a vacancy in the Colorado House of Representatives. He currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Public Health Care and Human Services Committee, as well as sitting on House Local Government and the Appropriations Committees. Prior to his service in the Colorado House, Rep. Singer worked in Child and Adult Protection in Boulder County as well as with the Denver Office of Economic Development. Rep. Singer received his Master’s in Social Work and BS in Psychology and Social Work from Colorado State University. He has volunteered on behalf of at risk families most of his life and he is married to Allison Barrett whom he met when they were both high school volunteers at the Boulder Public Library. They recently welcomed their baby daughter, Gwendolyn.

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Chair: Kat Bradley-Bennett
**SIGnature Presentation**

**Getting to genre through grammar**

Friday, November 6  
2:30 to 4:15  
Jefferson Room

**Abstract:** Success in secondary school requires an appreciation of how language constructs meaning for different purposes with clarity, coherence and an appropriate sense of audience. Thus, the Common Core State Standards explicitly “approach language as a matter of craft and informed choice among alternatives.” Negotiating these alternatives is often bewildering for inexperienced readers and writers who are still working toward accuracy and fluency in English. This presentation demonstrates a systematic pedagogy that helps students understand the craft of different genres and provides the linguistic tools for their construction.

**Biography:** Elizabeth O’Dowd is a professor of Applied Linguistics and director of TESOL programs at Saint Michael’s College, Vermont. She is the author of *Prepositions and Particles in English*, and co-author of *GrammarLinks 2: A Theme-Based Course for Reference and Practice*. Her recent research focuses on functional grammar and the development of linguistic complexity in ELL writing.

**Sponsored by CoTESOL’s Secondary Education Special Interest Group**  
Co-chairs: Sarah Klieforth and Madhavi Tandon

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**SIGnature Presentation**

**Critical language pedagogy: Language teaching for social justice and equity**

Friday, November 6  
2:30 to 4:15  
WMDC Building, 3rd Floor, Room 3

**Abstract:** Together we will explore both what critical language pedagogy is and how it facilitates our opportunities to teach language with a focus on social justice and equity. Considering personal biases, critical perspectives on curriculum, instruction and assessment as well as the opportunities to turn a language classroom into an engaging space to collaboratively battle marginalization and oppression, this session will offer theoretical and practical perspectives focused on improving our instructional practices.

**Biography:** Kara Mitchell Viesca, PhD, is an assistant professor of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education at the University of Colorado Denver. Her research centers on advancing equity in the policy and practice of educator development, particularly for multilingual learners and their teachers. She has taught German and English in US middle schools in California and Virginia and has worked with many ages of multilingual learners (K-20) across contexts like Massachusetts, Mexico, Germany and China. Currently, she is the lead PI on the e-Learning Communities for Academic Language Learning in Mathematics and Science (eCALLMS) grant that is focused on improving educator development for pre- and in-service teachers of multilingual learners (see [http://ecallms.ucdsehd.net/](http://ecallms.ucdsehd.net/)). She is also leading a collaboration in the state of higher educators called “Higher Educators in Linguistically Diverse Education” (HELDE).

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Co-chairs: Kate Goodspeed and Michelle Raese
SIGnature Presentation

Bright perspectives on teacher education

Saturday, November 7
10:15 to 12:00
Pikes Peak A Room

Abstract: With the rapid growth of technology and the ongoing development of pedagogy, teachers often have to shift and shape their instruction to fit the demands of modern teaching standards while struggling to find the time to get adequate training to meet their needs. Attendees will leave with bright perspectives for teacher training that they can immediately use for their own self-improvement or for their program as a whole. The panelists in this session will focus on four different perspectives.

- Design of a lunch and learn reading group
- Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) to self-train on teaching language through content
- CDE’s Adult Basic Education Authorization for increasing teacher collaboration
- Training other teachers to keep their classrooms dynamic and interactive.

Olivia Conner, CoTESOL TE/AR SIG Co-Chair, is a lecturer and assessment coordinator at the University of Colorado Boulder International English Center. Her interests are assessment, teacher education, technology and content based teaching for higher education. She has a Master’s degree in TESOL from the University of Washington and she has taught English in Mexico, China and Japan. Currently she teaches English to intermediate and advanced students via content based coursework.

Virginia Nicolai, CoTESOL TE/AR SIG Co-Chair, is an Assistant Professor of English as a Second Language at Colorado Mountain College. She supervises CMC’s adult ESL programs in Glenwood Springs, Carbondale, Basalt, and Aspen, and has taught education courses for the Adult Basic Education Authorization. She has a Master’s degree in Applied Linguistics, as well as experience teaching English in Australia, France, and Japan.

Ruth Moore has over eighteen years of ESL experience in high school, adult and higher education. Currently, Ruth is the Assistant Director for Faculty Services and Curriculum at the University of Colorado’s (CU-Boulder) International English Center (IEC), developing and implementing programs to supervise and support faculty members. Ruth has been extensively involved in teacher training, coordinating and presenting workshops at faculty in-services and conferences. Ruth holds an MA in Instructional Systems Development with a TESL concentration from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Dieter Bruhn is the President and Founder of One World Training as well as the Director of Training. He has a Master's degree in TESOL as well as a Master’s degree in Language & International Trade, which gives him a strong understanding of both language and business. He has been in the training world for more than 20 years. Highlights of his career include managing the design, development and implementation of a state-of-the-art language and culture training program for call centers across the globe for a major call center company, launching the new training program, and training and certifying trainers and Master Trainers at 20 sites around the world.

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Co-chairs: Olivia Conner and Virginia Nicolai
Live Entertainment in the Jefferson Grand Ballroom!

PAPER Moonshine

Rootsy alternative bluegrass meets upbeat gypsy jazz

Featuring Maggie and Owen Tharp, Ben Livneh, and Nick Einterz of CoTESOL

Friday, November 6, 5:00 pm

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Friday, November 6
Sessions (alphabetical by room)
Starting at 8:45

~ FEATURED PRESENTATION ~

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FRI., NOV. 6, 8:45 to 10:00 A.M., JEFFERSON

Looking in, looking out: Expanding our vision

Not on my watch: Helping ELLs make the successful transition to middle and high school

This session is designed to explore strategies and practices that support English Language Learners in making the successful transition to middle school and high school. We will discuss why planning for these transitions is critical, what barriers stand in the way for our ELLs as they transition to middle and high school, and how we can begin to open doorways to success by implementing intentional strategies for transition.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 9:15 A.M., EVERGREEN/GOLDEN

Publisher Session

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Danielle Yates   fellow@elprograms.org

FRI., NOV. 6, 9:15 A.M., MT. EVANS

Discussion - 45 minutes, CA, EE, SE

Bridge to the university: International student success
International university students face three "at risk factors" - "academic, social and personal struggles." With the start of the Conditional Admission program, CU Boulder's IEP implemented curriculum to address these student needs. Presenters will describe current research and this University Prep curriculum and facilitate discussion of sample activities, lessons, and resources.

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of the novel in an English language classroom still relevant? In the session, we will discuss and explore that complex question.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 9:15 A.M., CONIFER

Discussion - 45 minutes, CA, EE, SE

FRI., NOV. 6, 9:15 A.M., BOULDER/PARKER

Workshop - 105 minutes, BE, CA, EE, SE

Technology tools for K-12 English learners

Are you looking to incorporate technology into your English Language Acquisition Classroom? Don't have time to look for cool websites/apps for students? Look no further than this workshop! Designed for K-12 teachers who teach ELD, content area, and English Language Acquisition.

Sarah E. Kliefurth   sarah_kliefurth@dpsk12.org

FRI., NOV. 6, 9:15 A.M., CLUB ROOM

Discussion - 45 minutes, CA, GA, IEP/HE

Is the novel still novel?

Even though we are in the information age, more and more people are reading less and less, including our students. Is the use
Workshop - 45 minutes, TE/AR, EE, PA, SE, GA

**English learners and gifted programming: Identify, plan, serve**

Culturally and linguistically diverse learners continue to be underrepresented in gifted programming due to lack of understanding of their unique educational and socio-cultural needs. This presentation addresses research-based frameworks for identifying gifted English Learners (ELs), outlines critical cultural considerations, and provides practical guidelines regarding planning and serving gifted English Learners.

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Dr. Robin Carey  
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**Simple science: STEM experiments for ESL classrooms**

This session provides strategies for incorporating chemistry, physics, and biology experiments into language curriculum. It will also show how simulation software and “gamified” learning management systems can encourage students to complete, comprehend and communicate about the tasks required for such scientific experiments.

Nick Einterz  
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**Guerrilla pronunciation teaching**

Language Arts Press

In multi-skills courses, we often do not have enough time or materials for full treatments of vowels, consonants, stress, and grammatical endings, yet pronunciation is part of these courses and an important need of our students. The presenter will discuss strategies and resources for effective “guerrilla” pronunciation teaching. Materials provided.

Michael Berman  
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**Teaching without translation: An experiential workshop**

This dynamic workshop demonstrates how to teach low-level learners without translation. Participants will be put into the role of beginning language learners and will take part in a Thai lesson taught solely in Thai. After the lesson, effective strategies for teaching beginners while avoiding translation will be discussed.

Dieter Bruhn  
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**Using acting skills as an ESL method**

This demonstration will highlight how to trick students into improving ESL skills of pronunciation, fluency, vocabulary and vocal inflection as well as gestures and tone of voice by acting out scripts in front of video cameras. Information will include video filming and editing technology.

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**eCALLMS Modules: Connecting academic language and content**

This session will demonstrate the collaborative online learning modules developed at the University of Colorado Denver. These modules are designed to support teachers in academic language development in content classrooms, especially math and science. Participants will engage in sample module activities and learn about UCD’s ongoing research on these modules.

Tamara Milbourn  
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**How the ELL to read independently?!**

How can teachers better engage secondary level ELLs across the language learning spectrum in independent reading and hold them accountable? The presenter will describe the Independent Book Project she designed utilizing principles of Layered Curriculum to do just that. Implemented as a curriculum staple in grades 9-12 in her English Language Arts class at the International High School at Lafayette in Brooklyn New York (featured in the documentary, “I Learn America”), the presenter will present an overview of the project, sample activities, and suggestions for adaptation and implementation.

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Friday, November 6
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FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., CLUB ROOM
Discussion - 45 minutes, GA

Why America won't be a multilingual nation

There is much energy expended on the notion of a multilingual, at least a bi-lingual America. That energy is mostly wasted, misspent and misleading. Many factors come together to produce inhabitants inclined to speak more than the local vernacular language, and the U.S. has hardly any of those factors operating.

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~ SIGNATURE PRESENTATION ~
Sponsored by Content Area Special Interest Group
FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 to 12:00 P.M., CONIFER

10 tips for teaching short stories

Research shows that analyzing literature is a useful and engaging way to get students to think critically and enhance language skills in preparation for college. The presenter will offer 10 tips on how to maximize the use of stories in the classroom. Two literary excerpts will illustrate her points.

Sybil Marcus  University of California at Berkeley  swmarcus@inreach.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., EVERGREEN/GOLDEN
Workshop - 45 minutes, EE, IEP/HE, SE

Vibrant organized academic writing

How can Second Language Learners/English Language Learners better meet the academic expectations of English writing? The presenter will demonstrate how to teach academic writing using a color-coded, hands-on approach for paragraph and essay organization and development. Workshop, handouts and suggestions for implementation will be included.

Mary Corena Hilken  Community College of Aurora  mary.hilken@ccaurora.edu

~ SIGNATURE PRESENTATION ~
Sponsored by Elementary Education Special Interest Group
FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 to 12:00 P.M., JEFFERSON

Making students’ thinking visible

Do you ever wonder what your students are thinking? Come participate in routines from Harvard Project Zero that help make students’ thinking visible. These routines also develop students’ oral and written language skills. Discover concrete strategies that help students at different levels of language proficiency express their understanding.

Beth Skelton  elbeth@bethskelton.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., MT. EVANS
Discussion - 45 minutes, HE, PA, IEP/HE

State legislation, public universities and international students

In 2010, Colorado’s state legislature passed the Higher Education Flexibility Bill, which removed international students from the total number of allowed non-resident students at Colorado’s largest public universities. The purpose of this discussion is to provide some background and discuss the tangible impact of this legislation on Colorado tertiary education.

Tamara Milbourn  CU Boulder  milbourn@colorado.edu

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., PIKES PEAK A/B
Workshop - 105 minutes, EE, SE

We can do it! Growing student’s language through measurable goals

How do you formatively assess your students’ language growth? Participants will explore successful models of how WIDA tools can be used to create language goals that can be measured quantitatively by teachers and students. Participants will leave with at least one measurable language goal for a student or group of students. Teachers will explore ideas for how they can use those goals to monitor language learning between ACCESS testing and then plan for precise language instruction based on this monitoring.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., SPRUCE
Workshop - 45 minutes, SE, GA

Google-versing your classroom

How can you create a dynamic, virtual classroom environment for your students? How can you transform your teaching and enhance student learning? Google it! This session shows teachers how to create a fully integrated Google-verse where students and teachers take advantage of Google-Plus, Google-Docs, Youtube and other apps.

Vincent Adams  New America School  vincent.adams.esl@gmail.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., SUMMIT A
Publisher Session

Color Vowel Duo: A compelling pronunciation game

English Language Training Solutions

Based on the Color Vowel™ Chart and designed around the notion of word stress as the ‘deal breaker’ of spoken English, Duo is a
game for all ages and all levels. View video footage of Duo in action and see for yourself how this compelling game naturally inspires practice through play.

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~ SIGnature Presentation ~

Sponsored by TESOL and CoTESOL’s Learning and Teaching with Technology Special Interest Group

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 A.M., SUMMIT B

Publisher Session

The power of TED with 21st Century Reading and World English!
National Geographic Learning | Cengage Learning

National Geographic Learning and TED are now partners in ELT! Using examples from the new 21st Century Reading series and World English, the audience will learn how TED Talks are used to develop 21st century skills such as creative and critical thinking, collaboration, and information, media and visual literacy!

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~ SIGnature Presentation ~

Sponsored by Intensive English Programs/Higher Education Special Interest Group

FRI., NOV. 6, 10:15 to 12:00 P.M., WMDC 1

Exploring differing views of language and pedagogy

This experiential workshop will provide participants the opportunity to experience language learning via several different approaches. We will discuss each experience through the lenses of the parts of language emphasized and learned, importance or lack thereof of accuracy, and English as a lingua franca.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., BOULDER/PARKER
Paper - 45 minutes, TE/AR, IEP/HE, GA

Reflective peer learning approach to practice-teaching

The authors report on a collaboration involving two M.A. TESOL graduate students in “formative coaching” within a reflective teaching framework (Zeichner & Liston 2014). The co-teaching peers and their university supervisor discuss the steps, uses of student data and sample activities that supported their learning process.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., CLUB ROOM
Paper - 45 minutes, AE, SE, IEP/HE

Helping newcomers succeed

Recently arrived immigrants “are among the most vulnerable subgroups of English learners” (Short & Boyson, 2012). In this session the presenters will describe basic research related to newcomer programs, discuss our own experiences working with newcomers and their families over the last 15+ years, and share some of our favorite activities.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., EVERGREEN/GOLDEN
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, IEP/HE

Teaching pronunciation with hand signals

This demonstration shows how hand signals make pronunciation/accent teaching remarkably effective. Intonation
and stress of both individual words and entire sentences are
difficult for internationals to perceive using hearing alone. A
combination of auditory, visual, and kinesthetic techniques is
practiced, and student voice samples are provided.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., MT. EVANS
Demonstration - 45 minutes, TE/AR

Great graphics! Designing visual materials for enhanced
language learning

This presentation will offer tools and tricks for visually enhancing
materials development in online and print formats. Attendees will
learn how to develop materials that improve language learning via
visual effectiveness, with specific research and examples covering
font choice, color balance, and aesthetic organization.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., SPRUCE
Discussion - 45 minutes, AE, IEP/HE

Teaching students with varying levels of aptitude

In this discussion, presenters will explore various strategies for
handling classes with students of varying levels of aptitude. We
will focus on the core subjects of grammar, reading, and writing.
Presenters will discuss individual assignments and group activities
that can facilitate an effective learning environment for all
classroom members.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., SUMMIT A
Publisher Session

Benefit of assessing ELLs in both languages

Renaissance Learning

Educators sometimes question the value of assessing native
Spanish-speaking students in Spanish when both instruction and
exams are in English. The information gained, however, identifies
for teachers the knowledge and skills students already have that
they cannot yet demonstrate in English, and thus guides
instruction.

Carol M. Johnson, Ph.D.  carol.johnson@renaissance.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., SUMMIT B
Publisher Session

Critical thinking: Asking questions about the questions
English Central

Let’s dig into critical thinking by considering how to build these
important skills in order to fully assess how well your resources
support you in teaching critical thinking skills. Ask questions
about the questions we ask our students and teach them to do
the same.

Carrie Purcell  carrie@englishcentral.net

FRI., NOV. 6, 11:15 A.M., WMDC3
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, CA, IEP/HE

Songs as narrative examples for ESL writing classes

This presentation will demonstrate ways to use American and
British songs that tell stories as narrative examples for use in
writing classes.

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Friday, November 6
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Starting at 1:30

FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., LOBBY
Poster - 45 minutes, CA, SE, GA

Survival! An experiential learning curriculum for ELLs

When ELLs learn the skills to survive the unknowns of a disaster,
they also acquire the skills needed to survive learning an unknown
language. Presenter will demonstrate how teaching outdoor
survival skills to ELLs is a practical, engaging, and fun theme in
helping them develop academic and conversational language.

Andrew Reed  Niwot High School, St. Vrain Valley School District
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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., LOBBY
Poster - 45 minutes, SE, IEP/HE

Which reporting verbs characterize successful academic writing?

ESL, ESP, and EAP textbooks vary widely on the reporting verbs
that they choose to teach. This poster outlines a recent corpus
study that determined which reporting verbs are actually most
characteristic to academia, offering teachers a definitive list of the
reporting verbs most crucial for improving academic writing.

John Whalen  Colorado State University
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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., BOULDER/PARKER

Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, GA

Writing that works
Work with your peers to follow a model of building rich language structures using informal and formal discourse in writing. This is applicable to all levels of education, with beginning to advanced students.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., CLUB ROOM

Paper - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE

Critical approach to the ESL reading classroom
This study explored the possibility of applying principles and practices of critical literacy to the teaching of ESL reading texts while raising the teacher/researcher’s own critical awareness by examining not just his/her thoughts and feelings but also his/her teaching practices.

Jihyun Nam  jinam@umail.iu.edu

FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., CONIFER

Paper - 45 minutes, BE, HE, SE

Collaborative action research examining critical language pedagogy
A group of researchers from various institutions and disciplines are collaborating to examine critical language pedagogy and learn from approaches from various disciplines such as modern world languages, bilingual education, English as a second or foreign language and urban teacher education. This paper will present the results of our collaborations.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., EVERGREEN

Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, GA, IEP/HE

Teaching without a net
In this practice-oriented session, participants will engage in activities without borders which are appropriate for a variety of levels of English language learners anywhere in the world using a materials light approach. Relying too heavily on technology can become a teacher show rather than a student-centered experience.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., GOLDEN

Workshop - 105 minutes, AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE

LGBTQ+ safe zones trainings in ESL contexts
This interactive workshop, presented at TESOL 2015 as the ILGBTQF Forum’s Official Session, addresses LGBTQ+ inclusion in ESL curriculum and the successes and challenges of implementing Safe Zone Trainings in ESL environments. It includes pedagogy, methodology and deepening understanding about how to be an active LGBTQ+ community member and ally.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 to 2:15 P.M., JEFFERSON

Politics and English language learners
No matter what your political leanings, policies at the state and local level can affect the English language learners in your class.

Kathleen Hamel  Colorado State University  kathlehemel.18@gmail.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., MT. EVANS

Discussion - 45 minutes, CA, EE, SE

Opportunities and challenges for bilinguals in science
How can we develop bilingual learners’ language and literacy through science instruction? We’ll discuss opportunities and challenges for bilingual learners embedded in Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and ways to support teachers through eCALLMS professional development modules.

Chris Carson  University of Colorado Denver  christopher.carson@ucdenver.edu

FRI., NOV. 6, 1:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK A

Paper - 45 minutes, TE/AR, GA

Students’ strategies for dealing with misunderstandings
The presenter will discuss the strategies students use in dealing with misunderstandings, if these are culturally-based and their implications from a pedagogical perspective. These implications are based upon a study at a university which surveyed L1 English, Chinese, and Arabic speakers which targeted question types and contexts that were used.

Kathleen Hamel  Colorado State University  kathlehemel.18@gmail.com

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This dynamic interactive workshop applies technology to enhance the learning of ELD students and create an avenue for them to share their life stories. Google Maps and other technology ideas will provide educators with tools to excite and stimulate their student’s minds.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., CLUB ROOM
Paper - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR

Transform your classroom with scroll-based culturally responsive teaching

Participants will be able to adapt their own lesson plans or create a scroll-based curriculum using a culturally responsive teaching model, the Mutually Adaptive Learning Paradigm® (MALP®), to reduce low-literacy learners’ cultural dissonance and facilitate language learning. Theoretical background and recent research findings will be presented to support the model.

Nan Fryland  Neighbors Link  nanfryland@gmail.com

FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., CONIFER
Demonstration - 45 minutes

Enhancing teaching and learning with the TESOL technology standards

A number of basic beliefs about teaching, learning, and technology were central to the creation of the TESOL Technology Standards, plus a commitment to make them relevant globally in a wide range of settings. The Standards are addressed to learners, teachers, administrators, and teacher educators. The purpose of the Standards is to establish benchmark expectations for use of technology in English language teaching environments and contribute to enhancing current pedagogy.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., EVERGREEN
Demonstration - 45 minutes, IEP/HE, PA, TE/AR

Beyond faculty meetings: A model for classes

Faculty feel meetings are places where time is the least well spent—reviewing duties or deadlines—not motivating and growing. This presentation addresses language skill activities used in meetings that provided dual roles—creative, hands-on ways to discuss job issues while modeling in class activities and formative assessment structures.

Sara K. Holzberlein  Emily Griffith Technical College  sara.holzberlein@emilygriffith.edu

WOW/MOM - Word of the Week/Math of the Month

This school-wide program supports academic language building across subject areas by integrating targeted mathematics and language arts vocabulary into all classrooms in the secondary setting. Participants will be exposed to the theory informing the program and explore its applications through examples and vocabulary games.

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Lilia Guimaraes  New America School, Jeffco  lguimaraes@newamericaschool.org

FRIDAY, NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK A
Discussion - 45 minutes, PA, IEP/HE

Instructor or disciplinarian?

As teachers we do not enjoy being disciplinarians, yet we are required to be at times. Can administrators empower their faculty in this area? Presenters will share principles implemented at their language program to address and reduce behavioral problems. Participants will be asked to share their experiences.

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**Paper - 45 minutes, AE, BE**

**Family language planning: Saudi sojourners in the U.S.**

Most of the conducted research in the area of family language policy concerns permanent immigrants. Few studies have examined language policy and planning of sojourners. This research should benefit ESL teachers, parents, and language policy makers. The research introduces data that could target the uniqueness of sojourners’ language policies.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK B**

**Publisher Session**

**Out and about: Teacherless activities for beginners**

Alta English Publishers

Want to get your students up on their feet speaking English from day one? The innovative techniques and teacherless activities in this dynamic session help increase student involvement and reduce teacher prep time - plus give students confidence for real-world English interactions! Handouts with ready-to-go classroom materials are provided.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., SUMMIT B**

**Publisher Presentation**

**The SIT Graduate Institute experience**

SIT Graduate Institute is a nonprofit, accredited graduate school offering master’s degrees and graduate level certificates and professional development programs. SIT is a pioneer and worldwide leader in the professional fields in which we teach and work.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., SUMMIT C**

**Paper - 45 minutes, TE/AR, PA, SE**

**Surviving innovation: Adjusting to mandates from above**

Presenters discuss their personal adjustments to external mandates designed to meet the needs of immigrant and refugee high school students: Classroom instructional techniques that focus on students’ lived experience; Sheltering techniques and differentiation; Co-Teaching with content-area colleagues; Curriculum and scheduling changes; Student counseling/advising to connect college-career possibilities to school curricula.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., WMDC1**

**Workshop - 105 minutes,**

**The controversial classroom: Promoting learning through argument**

This workshop focuses on the use of controversial issues to promote critical thinking for college bound ESL students. The presenters highlight their use of case studies and debates to foster these discussions. During the session, attendees will examine and discuss specific case studies and devise teaching practices for mitigating controversy.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 P.M., WMDC2**

**Workshop - 105 minutes, AE, GA, IEP/HE**

**Supercharged vocabulary learning: Put the students in charge**

Students know it, teachers know it, and research supports it: vocabulary is crucial! Help your students take charge of vocabulary learning with this collection of best-practice activities. Little preparation time for you, maximum engagement for your students, both in class and in the world beyond the classroom. Extensive handout.

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**FRI., NOV. 6, 2:30 to 4:15 P.M., WMDC**

**Critical language pedagogy: Language teaching for social justice and equity**

Together we will explore with what critical language pedagogy is and how it facilitates our opportunities to teach language with a focus on social justice and equity. Considering personal biases, critical perspectives on curriculum, instruction and assessment as well as the opportunities to turn a language classroom into an engaging space to collaboratively battle marginalization and oppression, this session will offer theoretical and practical perspectives focused on improving our instructional practices.

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**Friday, November 6**

**Sessions (alphabetical by room)**

**Starting at 3:30**

**FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., BOULDER/PARKER**

**Workshop - 45 minutes, CA, EE, SE**

**Fortifying academic language skills**

The shift to Common Core Standards has created challenges for English learners and their teachers in grades K-12. The presenters will demonstrate techniques to fortify language learning providing
greater access to the demands of the new standards. With the understanding that it will be difficult for learners to comprehend complex text if they are unable to comprehend complex sentence structures, this session will provide models of ways in which language complexities will be made accessible for linguistically diverse learners. The presenters will show strategies in which language can be constructed and deconstructed to make meaning for English learners.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., CLUB ROOM
Workshop - 45 minutes, CA, SE

Classroom conversation for academic language development

Conversation is a powerful tool that helps us to build ideas, solve problems and communicate our thoughts. This workshop will focus on creating and exploring purposeful academic conversation tasks as a regular part of our classroom practice to strengthen comprehension of complex ideas and support academic language development.

Brad Russell  Mapleton Public Schools  russellb@mapleton.us

FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., CONIFER
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, GA

Giving and getting feedback

You can't improve without knowing what is going well or not, and this is true for both students and teachers. Participants in this workshop will leave with several techniques for giving feedback to and eliciting feedback from students.

Debbie Goldman  debbie@intercambioweb.org

FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., EVERGREEN
Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE

Reflective practice in professional teacher development

The co-presenters provide methods, tools, and activities encompassed in being a self-reflective practitioner. Several activities in the session promote awareness, questioning, and alternatives in seeing oneself. The objective of the session is to walk away with some materials, resources, and valuable insights into how self-reflection is a self-improvement tool.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., GOLDEN
Workshop - 45 minutes, SE, IEP/HE

Habits for highly effective teens

Sean Covey wrote a wonderful book titled "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens". The wisdom in this book can aid any ESL student in public school or heading off to a university. Cultural awareness and the behavior of successful students will be demonstrated in student centered activities.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., MT. EVANS
Demonstration - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

ESL student as ethnographer: Undergraduate students connect

Participant observation and cultural informant interviews help students cross self-imposed borders between themselves and others on U.S. campuses. Presenters describe how ethnography assignments in a U.S. Culture class for international students provided students with research skills and excuses for engaging in conversations with Americans and participating in community events.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK A
Paper - 45 minutes, EE, GA

Linguistic complexity, WIDA, and writers' workshop

WIDA identifies linguistic complexity as a primary feature of academic language, but what makes language complex? What does it mean for writing to be cohesive and coherent? And can linguistic complexity be addressed intentionally during writers' workshop? Find out during this exploration of the concept of linguistic complexity.

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FRI., NOV. 6, 3:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK B
Paper - 45 minutes, BE, CA

Translanguaging and supporting academic language development

With ethnographic data from a 5th grade bilingual cohort, this work shows how exploring content in various languages and varieties simultaneously, and in various modalities (music, video, symbol representations), teachers can support students in acquiring new linguistic structures. These translanguaging pedagogies leverage students' familiar language practices to expand their repertoires.

Luis Poza  University of Colorado Denver School of Education and Human Development  luis.poza@ucdenver.edu
Teaching in the 21st Century: How can the 20th Century teacher teach the 21st Century learner?

Research strongly suggests that “Net-generation learners” have profoundly different ways of learning – and indeed, interacting with the world – compared to previous generations. This development provides “20th Century teachers” with an enormous challenge: how do we respond to these differences in a constructive and productive way? In this session, the presenter will describe his own journey from refusing to adapt to these changes, to accepting, and finally embracing the new learning styles and preferences of his learners. Ultimately, it can be enormously professionally fulfilling when 20th Century teachers finally acknowledge that they too need to become “21st Century Learners.”

Thomas Healy  Pratt Institute  thomas_healy@mac.com

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Colorado READ Act – Year three implementation

This session will offer participants the opportunity to learn more about implementation of the Colorado READ Act for all kindergarten through Grade 3 students, including English Learners. Updates will include implementation data from the past two years as well as revisions to State Board of Education rules for administration.

Alisa Dorman  Colorado Department of Education  Dorman_A@cde.state.co.us

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Climbing down the ladder of inference together

The presenter will explore findings from action research in developing student and teacher awareness of “mental models” – one of five “learning disciplines” presented in Peter Senge’s Schools That Learn. Audience members will explore strategies for uncovering tacit assumptions and attitudes through activities that scaffold the skills of reflection and inquiry.

Thomas Germain  Spring International Language Center  tomg@spring.edu
SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., CONIFER

Workshop - 45 minutes, Tech, SE, IEP/HE

Creating connections and language confidence through Facebook

Facebook provides a bridge for cross-cultural sharing and understanding, but it also has distinct educational advantages. This presentation demonstrates several creative uses for Facebook in constructing an effective online learning environment. Participants learn to utilize the “group” and “event” functions to manage organized virtual classrooms and post unique assignments.

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Ariana Van Beurden  Oregon State University  arianavb@gmail.com

SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., EVERGREEN

Demonstration - 45 minutes, TE/AR, IEP/HE

Effective paraphrasing techniques for academic success

Presenters will demonstrate effective strategies for teaching paraphrasing to pre-university students. This includes techniques students can use to tackle the difficult task of paraphrasing without plagiarizing. Materials and activities will include methods for comprehending source ideas, utilizing synonyms, restructuring and organizing original text, and using proper citation.

Patricia Juza  CU Boulder  patricia.juza@colorado.edu

SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., GOLDEN

Panel - 45 minutes, AE, EE, IEP/HE

Supporting students from diverse cultures

Building a strong classroom community is essential in supporting students acquiring English. As classrooms become more diverse, we need to be knowledgeable about the cultures of all of our students. In this session, presenters from Saudi Arabia and Libya discuss strategies for supporting students from these areas of the world.

Mary Hanson  UCCS  mhanson3@uccs.edu
Nuha Alaqeel
Raga Elmazaini

SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., MT. EVANS

Discussion - 45 minutes, TE/AR, CA, EE, SE, GA

From the mouth of babes - What ELs want from their learning

The session will share action research recently completed by Lewis Palmer School District of EL students. Focus groups of EL students (K-12) were formed to find out what students perceive they need to access learning. A smaller study will also be shared where characteristics of long-term ELs were examined.

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Teresa Kulow  Lewis Palmer School District

SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., PARKER

Demonstration - 45 minutes, SE, GA, IEP/HE

Using vocabulary logs for improved vocabulary instruction

This demonstration shows ESL teachers and materials designers how to create and use a set of integrated vocabulary log activities to improve vocabulary teaching and learning. Ideas for adaptation for different levels, different media, review, and assessment are discussed, and examples of all materials demonstrated are provided.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., PIKES PEAK A

Paper - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

University tutoring and support for international student success

This presentation will discuss the implementation of a university English Language tutoring program, focusing on activities and lessons established to promote student participation in the classroom and the Language Center, students’ perception of their involvement, and information about training for student tutors.

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Cheyne Kirkpatrick  University of Denver, English Language Center
Melanie Witt-Wilson  University of Denver, English Language Center

SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., PIKES PEAK B

Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, PA

Curricular exit assessments: Paving pathways for refugees

Curricular benchmarks and aligned exit assessments can provide more than just information for program level moves, but additionally, pathways to further refugee education and employment. This presentation addresses how curriculum-aligned exit assessments have communicated program achievement to teachers, future educational/career goals to school advisors, and employment possibilities to VOLAGS.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., SPRUCE

Paper - 45 minutes, HE, SE, IEP/HE

Plagiarism: Is it really theft?

American academia often frames plagiarism as matter of ethics, using the analogy of ‘theft’. However, unlike other academic
integrity violations, plagiarism can be both intentional and unintentional. During this paper presentation, the presenter will argue against the common framing and offer a different, more effective conception of plagiarism to teach students.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., SUMMIT A  
Paper - 45 minutes, TE/AR, BE, GA, IEP/HE

**Having the world in your classroom**

This action research probes into the social, academic and psychological intricacies that a non-native female, fresh out of a drastically different culture, goes through during her first year in the United States. The study suggests hands-on strategies for international students as well as ESL teachers to facilitate the process of acculturation.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., SUMMIT B  
Publisher Session

**College and career readiness development from the beginning**

Cambridge University Press

Come discover ways to make your adult education students college and career ready – right from the start! Learn how the Ventures curriculum helps teachers address CCR standards (including text complexity, evidence and building knowledge) while meeting student needs. In addition, learn how soft-skills are developed.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 9:15 A.M., SUMMIT C  
Workshop - 45 minutes, EE, IEP/HE, GA

**Supporting English Learners within a tiered framework**

A multi-tiered system of supports is a whole-school, prevention-based framework designed to improve learning outcomes of every student. Explore how the components of this framework may be used within a culturally responsive context to support English learners. Presenters will share resources, tools, videos and strategies for implementation.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., CONIFER  
Workshop - 105 minutes, BE, EE

**Learning two languages through content to build biliteracy**

Participants will learn how several Colorado schools use the ODE Project GLAD model(TM) with biliteracy strategies to teach standards-based content in Spanish and English. Through integrated literacy units, strategies, cooperative learning and differentiation students develop language across all domains and bilingually as they interact in multiple ways with the content.

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**Anne Ginnold**

**(Bonnie Wong**

SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., EVERGREEN  
Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE, PA

**Designing effective student learning outcomes and assessments**

In this workshop, participants learn how to write effective student learning outcomes. Participants also learn how to develop practical assessment tools that measure students’ progress, outcomes, and proficiency across skills and levels. Discussion focuses on how to apply these to accreditation standards and reporting requirements. Materials and samples are provided.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., GOLDEN  
Discussion - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

**Challenges Arabic students encounter in the U.S.**

This interactive presentation will provide background information to ESL teachers concerning the basic foundational linguistic and cultural differences that might hinder the Arabic students’ learning progress.

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**Saturday, November 7 Sessions (alphabetical by room) Starting at 10:15**

SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., BOULDER  
Workshop - 105 minutes, AE, GA, IEP/HE

**Deep learning for beginners: No burnout for you!**

NOTE FROM CHRIS - PRESENTER HAS 6 PROPOSALS, 4 AE, 1 IEP/HE, 1 SE. Do you want to provide ‘deep learning’ for beginners? Would you like to teach more effectively while preparing less? Come and practice adaptable, student-centered activities you can use next week and for the rest of your life! Full handout

**Laurel Pollard**  
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Facilitating groups and building teams

How can your teams become more effective? This presentation focuses on the skills needed to facilitate groups and build teams. Attendees will consider the advantages and disadvantages of working in teams and groups, examine what characteristics make a good team, understand the dysfunctions of teams, and review team leadership functions.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., PARKER
Demonstration - 45 minutes, TE/AR, BE, EE

Seeking bright futures for below grade-level readers

Learn how our district creates and uses effective instructional plans for Kindergarten to 3rd grade ELs in response to House Bill 12-1238: The Colorado READ Act. READ Plans for ELs are compared to Plans for non-ELs to understand how students with detailed and well-implemented Plans improve their literacy skills.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., MT. EVANS
Demonstration - 45 minutes, IEP/HE, PA, GA

Using corpora to teach grammatical patterns

Higher level writing students benefit from using corpora; however, corpora can enhance lower-level students' progress in writing as well. The presenters demonstrate simple procedures and tips to use the freely available Corpus of Contemporary American English (COCA) to teach grammatical patterns. Sample activities and procedures will be distributed.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., JEFFERSON
Discussion - 45 minutes, IEP/HE, PA, GA

Basic Education Authorization for increasing teacher collaboration; and training other teachers to keep their classrooms dynamic and interactive.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., PIKES PEAK B
Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, PA, IEP/HE

Video tools for refugee family engagement, school orientation, and professional development

Producer Lauren Swain, of Mind’s Eye Productions’ Refugee Advocates Media Project (RAMP), will demonstrate the advantages of using video as a tool for providing multilingual school orientation to refugee and immigrant families, and delivering professional development strategies to the educators and school staff who serve them.

The advantages discussed will include the special capacity of video to deliver consistent, comprehensive, and compelling messages in a very short period of time, in any location, in a multi-lingual format when needed.

Lauren Swain Mind’s Eye Productions video@mindseyeworld.com

SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., SPRUCE
Discussion - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, IEP/HE

Contemplative education and ESL: Transformative teaching moments

As teachers, we have all had transformative teaching moments triggered by positive and/or negative classroom experiences. How we choose to process these events can impact our teaching. This discussion is an invitation to reflect on such experiences and will be an opportunity to get a taste of contemplative educational practices as they apply to the ESL classroom.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., SUMMIT A
Publisher Session

Project-based learning made easy
National Geographic Learning | Cengage Learning

This interactive workshop will engage participants with a unique and innovative approach to collaborative project-based learning in the adult ESL classroom. The presenter will demonstrate how to manage team and group dynamics while promoting community engagement.
and incorporating standards and skills in a fun and productive way.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., SUMMIT B

Publisher Session

Longman Dictionaries: The perfect choice
Pearson ELT

Reaching native speaker competence is not just about learning lists of words and grammar. Making the connections between individual words is equally important. Longman Dictionaries help learners understand new vocabulary, comprehend the nuances of multiple meanings, and learn the most typical word combinations used by native speakers.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 10:15 A.M., SUMMIT C

Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, EE, SE, GA

Phonetic transfer issues between Spanish and English

Pronunciation is often problematic for language learners and this presentation will specifically address difficulties native speakers frequently face when developing phonetic skills: English-Spanish, Spanish-English. A wide variety of classroom experience and research-based strategies will highlight verbal challenges commonly encountered. Educators will acquire effective techniques in overcoming such obstacles.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 11:15 A.M., EVERGREEN

Paper - 45 minutes, TE/AR, EE, SE

Promoting ELL literacy in school and home

How can teachers promote literacy for English language learners (ELLs) both at school and home? The presenter will discuss research on the role of literacy for ELLs, provide strategies to help increase reading in school and at home, and discuss community outreach programs that support both students and families.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 11:15 A.M., GOLDEN

Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, EE, SE

Teaching summary writing strategies in IEP settings

This presentation will demonstrate the importance of teaching summary writing skills for reading comprehension and fluency development. The presenters will provide examples of teaching techniques for bridging reading and writing that can be used to help learners gain the knowledge and skills for coping with future texts.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 11:15 A.M., JEFFERSON

Demonstration - 45 minutes, TE/AR, IEP/HE

Beneficial ELL student and teacher trainee collaborations

ESL students want opportunities to interact with native speakers. Teachers in training need opportunities to work with actual learners. Yet often the two groups don’t meet. Examples of activities that connect ESL students and teacher trainees in meaningful communication and tips for structuring successful interactions benefiting both groups are provided.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 11:15 A.M., MT. EVANS

Paper - 45 minutes, EE, PA, SE

Multi-distric collaboration in the pikes peak region

In this session, presenters share the history of the Pikes Peak ESL Directors’ Forum and the steps taken that have resulted in successful collaboration among large districts, small districts and institutes of higher education. In addition to describing our context, presenters share a framework that will enable a similar group to be established in another context. Practical considerations as well as suggestions for digital sharing will be described.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 11:15 A.M., PARKER

Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, HE, IEP/HE

Writing prompts to ignite students

This session will present writing prompts that can be used at almost any level to stimulate creative ideas, structure, word choice and supportive details. This will be a fast paced interactive presentation in which teachers will walk away with both new tools and writings of their own to develop.

Amanda McCracken  International English Center, CU Boulder amanda.mccracken@colorado.edu
English learners can be scientists and mathematicians!

English learners in elementary schools can engage in mathematical and scientific practices recommended by the CCSS and NGSS. A second grade and a fifth grade teacher will model classroom strategies and school-wide projects that teach academic language to ELs at the word, sentence and discourse levels in math and science.

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Carrie Campbell  Centennial Elementary School, Greeley-Evans District 6  ccampbell2@greeleyschools.org

The art of assessment

Everyone knows that "assessment drives education", but how can it be used as a tool to foster learning along with measuring growth?

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Cultivating proficient academic writers

University of Washington and Cambridge University Press

Academic writing ranks among the most challenging of courses in the ESL curriculum for both teachers and students. This session will give writing teachers fresh ideas for designing writing curricula that prepares students for success in mainstream college and university classes.

Wendy Asplin  acosta@cambridge.org

Empowering international students through service projects

Two unique projects at the University of Wyoming are described. The non-credit world language project involves international students in volunteer teaching their native languages, contributing to multicultural understanding. With Biojewelry for Breast Cancer, students create jewelry with a purpose. Volunteers work with authentic materials, enrich their language and cultural knowledge.

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10 interactive technologies to engage millennial learners

Rather than resisting new methods of media consumption in the classroom, this interactive session provides practical ways to engage millennial students through technology. This session guides participants in using 10 useful technologies and provides an overview resource guide of 50 popular apps and websites for English language learning.

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Distinguishing between language acquisition challenges and learning disabilities

Teachers of English learners are challenged to determine whether struggling students face language acquisition challenges or learning disabilities. In this hands-on workshop, attendees examine, select, and plan the implementation of practices that inform this determination and best support their students.

Dr. Juli Sarris  juli.sarris@colorado.edu

Five quick and adaptable grammar activities

Are you looking to liven up your grammar lessons? This presentation will demonstrate five low-prep activities designed to add variety and excitement to your grammar teaching. Be ready for some hands-on practice as well as discussion of other relevant techniques.

Michael Vallee  International English Center, CU Boulder  michael.vallee@colorado.edu

Reading changing trends: Better teaching, better reading

The expectations of ELL students have been changing with different trends and populations. Has the way to change Reading
skills changed as well? As fewer and fewer students read in their own language, how are we teaching skills students need to succeed as readers?

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., GOLDEN
Demonstration - 45 minutes, CA, IEP/HE

Identification of target vocabulary in ESL courses

The purpose of this session is to introduce two free corpus-based programs that can be used to identify relevant discipline-specific vocabulary. The presenters will discuss the principles guiding the vocabulary selection and demonstrate how the corpus programs can be used to identify relevant vocabulary based on these principles.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., JEFFERSON
Panel - 105 minutes, GA

Immigrant issues for educators

Immigrant students and families face volatile political and social landscapes. Develop a stronger understanding of current U.S. and Colorado laws and policies and how they impact you, your work, your students and their families. The session includes handouts, resources, video and interactive discussion.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., MT. EVANS
Demonstration - 45 minutes, GA, IEP/HE

Student success: Expectations and motivators

How can teachers encourage students to achieve success? This session describes how teachers used strategies to address some problems of student motivation and achievement. The presenters highlight what they did, what they discovered, their reflections, and their suggestions for future application regarding this vital topic.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., PARKER
Discussion - 45 minutes, SE, IEP/HE

Rethinking the research paper class

This discussion will evaluate the Research Paper Class for students in Intensive English Programs. How can the class be a valuable experience that is relevant and beneficial to students’ future academic goals? What are the challenges that students and instructors face?

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK A
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, BE, CA

U.S. Citizenship: The interview and test

Prepare students to succeed and pass their U.S. Citizenship test and interview. Learn the basic skills and content required for this Interview. This demonstration will include a mock interview and role play. Classroom activities, like dictation, pair and group exercises, will be explored.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK B
Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, IEP/HE, SE, GA

Enhancing language learning through creative arts

This session discusses the incorporation of creative arts into the L2 classroom. It gives an overview of possible art forms that can be used and it also provides concrete, simple activities that L2 instructors can immediately apply so that they can further diversify their teaching and enhance student learning.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., SPRUCE
Demonstration - 45 minutes, TE/AR, BE, EE

Leveling the playing field with oral language!

Using oral language strategies, instructors can level the playing field of the three cueing-systems for decoding English (semantics, syntax, and graphophonology) while simultaneously bolstering the vocabulary and correct English syntax for emergent English speakers.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., SUMMIT A
Workshop - 45 minutes, TE/AR, Tech, GA

Applications of corpora in the language classroom

Corpora are increasingly useful to incorporate real-world language in instruction, but the use of corpora is not always intuitive. In this workshop, we aim to demystify corpora, making them more accessible for teachers who want to create activities based on authentic language. Participants are encouraged to bring their computers.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., SUMMIT B
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, IEP/HE, GA

Mindfulness training for well-being and success

How can we help our ESL students cope with the stress of college life and improve their class performance? Practice of mindfulness has the power to both relieve stress and boost learning. The presenter will demonstrate various methods of mindfulness training and share her students' experience using these methods.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 1:30 P.M., SUMMIT C
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, GA, IEP/HE

Utilizing selfies to promote language learning

Can our devices be tools to engage students and promote learning? Learn how to use selfie videos to practice all language skills, promote self-noticing, and provide individualized feedback. Presenters explain the rationale behind the use of selfies, and provide classroom uses, examples, and students’ reactions to learning with selfies.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., CONIFER
Publisher Presentation

A sustainable ESL model for everyone

This interactive workshop will highlight successful Adult ESL programs around the country -- from school districts, to literacy coalitions, to churches. We will identify key success factors when working with non-English speaking adults and how this may impact the sustainability of your program. For example, many immigrants cannot commit to year-long programs -- their home or work may not accommodate it. Did you know that in many cultures, books are cherished? Their ESL book may very well be their first book. Are you connecting with your community because word of mouth may be your biggest recruitment vehicle? How will you evaluate curriculum and will every adult ESL curriculum accomplish the same goals? What about very beginner English -- are you set up to help students succeed? Workshop participants will receive materials they can use immediately to help them start, expand, or improve upon their current program. This highly interactive workshop will also provide applicable, easy-to-implement tips, and strategies going forward.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., EVERGREEN
Workshop - 45 minutes, AE, SE, IEP/HE

Class debates for ESL: Techniques and materials

Debate is a great way to introduce language for opinions, paraphrasing as well as the structure of argument. This workshop will provide materials and techniques to scaffold a full class debate. It will also provide a tried and true secret weapon not found in any textbook.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., GOLDEN
Demonstration - 45 minutes, SE, IEP/HE

Framing a bright future in writing

Do writing frames restrict creativity and hinder student autonomy? Or, can these tools actually create windows of opportunity for students to explore their creativity and develop autonomy while expanding vocabulary and practicing grammatical patterns? Presenters provide sample frames and student work showing “the sky’s the limit” when using writing frames.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., MT. EVANS
Discussion - 45 minutes, CA, IEP/HE

Blue skies, no burn-out

Instructors and students alike face burn-out in IEPs. What can programs do to support both groups? Our discussion will cover best practices and innovative solutions to re-energize struggling educators and learners.

Rachel Donelson  rachel.donelson@ucdenver.edu

SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., PARKER
Workshop - 45 minutes, EE

Cultures in the classroom

Initial home culture experiences influence the way we communicate, learn, and respond. Culture becomes our way of being, knowing, and doing. This interactive workshop will examine cultural vignettes to address many key cultural areas. Participants will reflect and plan to move forward with dynamic culturally sensitive instruction.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK A
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, BE, EE, SE, IEP/HE

The multilingual, multileveled power of storytelling

The ‘natural approach’ to language acquisition both in our native tongues and second languages has vastly forgotten the power which lies in the narrative of Oral Story. Around the fire, where stories are still dared to be uttered, is where multi-dimensional learning for all ages continues to be maximized.

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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., PIKES PEAK B
Paper - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

Pedagogical approaches for cultural mixity
This session will discuss relationships with professors and peers, classroom participation, group work, and academic integrity. Specifically, we’ll discuss cultural issues related to asking questions, visiting office hours, and levels of formality. Techniques for helping students learn these skills including academic conventions and exercises will be demonstrated and discussed.
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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., SPRUCE
Discussion - 45 minutes, TE/AR, EE, SE, GA

International adoption: Cultural and linguistic implications
Children born into one culture and adopted into another undergo a unique language learning process different from any other. Join us to explore and discuss academic implications of international adopted students including our own experiences and successes with various families.
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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., SUMMIT A
Paper - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

Facilitating practical in-service professional development
The purpose of this session is to provide attendees with the skills needed to successfully facilitate engaging practical in-service professional development. Presenters will review an IEP program, describe a needs analysis, and give attendees strategies for accreditation compliance. Participants will leave with practical ideas for implementing in-service professional development.
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Tiffany Pippin  Contra Costa College  tiffanypippin

SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., SUMMIT B
Demonstration - 45 minutes, IEP/HE

Writing with an accent
In this interactive session, two English professors from the U.S. Air Force Academy will explore strategies and best practices to enhance writing skills for Generation 1.5 cadets enrolled in a required Introductory Composition and Research as well as international cadets enrolled in an English for Academic Purposes course. We argue that by adopting a culturally responsive approach in the classroom, we can help students take advantage of the unique cultural strengths they bring to their writing. Using examples of Generation 1.5 students’ writing, we will consider some of the most pressing questions faced by instructors, including: How do I identify Generation 1.5 writers? How do I grade their writing? What kind of development can I expect? Together, we will identify best practices for fostering effective literacy learning among generation 1.5 students.
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SAT., NOV. 7, 2:30 P.M., SUMMIT C
Demonstration - 45 minutes, AE, TE/AR, GA, IEP/HE

Lighten your workload with digital tools
Integrating digital tools in your classroom can be intimidating. This demonstration will offer a carefully curated selection of web apps, which can help keep your materials, assignments, and administrative work organized so you can be a more efficient teacher. Strategic use of these tools can simplify your workload!
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How was the convention?
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### Key to Abbreviations

- **BOCES** - Boards of Cooperative Educational Services
- **CCA** - Community College of Aurora
- **CDE** - Colorado Department of Education
- **CSU** - Colorado State University
- **DPS** - Denver Public Schools
- **DU** - University of Denver
- **EGTC** - Emily Griffith Technical College
- **ELC** - English Language Center
- **ELI** - English Language Institute
- **FRCC** - Front Range Community College
- **IEC** - International English Center
- **Jeffco** - Jefferson County Public Schools
- **Jeffereson School** - Jefferson County Public Schools
- **MTU** - Metropolitan State University
- **MSU** - Metropolitan State University
- **SIT** - Star Schools
- **UCB** - University of Colorado Boulder
- **UCCS** - University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- **UCD** - University of Colorado Denver
- **UNC** - University of Northern Colorado
- **UCID** - University of Colorado Denver
- **SILC** - Spring International Language Center
- **NAS** - New America School

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