Call for Papers
First International Symposium on Chinese Language and Discourse
首届汉语语言与话语国际研讨会 / 首屆漢語語言與話語國際研討會

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, USA
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This is the first of a series of international symposia on the theme of Chinese Language and Discourse, to be held once every two years in different parts of the world. Paper proposals are invited to showcase latest advancements in broadly-defined discourse functional studies of the Chinese language. Topics may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Language and interaction
- Language and society
- Language and culture
- Language and cognition
- Corpora and Chinese studies
- Language change and development
- Chinese language acquisition and education
- Chinese language and new media
- Multilingualism and identity construction
- Language contact

Keynote speakers
Charles Goodwin (UCLA)
Li Wei (University of London)
Kang Kwong Luke (Nanyang Technological University/the University of Hong Kong)
Sandra A. Thompson (UC Santa Barbara)

Presentations are for 30 minutes, including 5 minutes for discussion. A one page abstract should be submitted to the conference email address:
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Deadline for submission of abstracts: May 31, 2010
Notification of acceptance: June 15, 2010

Best Student Paper Award
A cash prize of $300 will be awarded to a paper submitted and presented by a current student who has not had a PhD degree at the time of the symposium. Selection is based on both the content and the presentation. Those who wish to participate in the competition should indicate the intention with “For Best Student Paper Award” marked on top of the abstract. A full paper is encouraged but not required for the competition.

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