CALL FOR PAPERS

7th Intercultural Rhetoric and Discourse Conference
August 9-11, 2012
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
Sponsored by the Indiana Center for Intercultural Communication (ICIC)

The expanding umbrella of intercultural rhetoric comprises studies of cross-cultural text analysis and studies of interactions, in which writers and speakers with a variety of linguistic, cultural, and social backgrounds negotiate speaking and writing in a multitude of settings, e.g., classroom, business, industry, and health care. Challenges for researchers and teachers are many. This conference seeks to discuss the comprehensiveness of research to study these complex situations, keeping in mind the importance of translating research into practice in ESL, EFL, ESP, and ELF settings.

Opening Plenary:
Diane Belcher, Georgia State University: "What We Need and Don’t Need Intercultural Rhetoric for: A Retrospective and Prospective Look at an Evolving Research Area"

Featured Speakers:
Marta Antón, IUPUI
Dwight Atkinson, Purdue University
André Buchenot, IUPUI
Ulla Connor, IUPUI
Viviana Cortes, Georgia State University
Bill Eggington, Brigham Young University
Estela Ene, IUPUI
Miguel Ruiz-Garrido, Universitat Jaume I, Spain
Jun Liu, Georgia State University
Leena Louhiala-Salminen, Aalto University, Finland
Paul Kei Matsuda, Arizona State University
Thomas Orr, Aizu University, Japan
Anita Pandey, Morgan State University
William Rozycki, Aizu University, Japan
Sauli Takala, Finland
Thomas Upton, IUPUI
Xiaojun Zhang, Beihang University, PR China
Zhiqing Hu, Huazhong University of Science and Technology, PR China

Call for Papers:
Papers to be presented during concurrent sessions are invited on topics including (but not limited to):

- theoretical and empirical investigations
- language and culture specific studies
- changing methodologies for research
- practical applications
- teaching and classroom practices
- writing in school and college
- writing in business & professional settings
- orality and literacy connections
- critical approaches

Selected papers will be considered for submission to the Journal of Rhetoric, Professional Communication, and Globalization.

Deadline for Submission: December 31, 2011 (extended deadline)
Abstracts should be no more than 250 words, typed on a single page. Abstracts should describe papers which will be presented in a 20 minute session, followed by a 5 minute discussion. Send abstract submissions via email to icic@iupui.edu, attention: Dr. Ulla Connor, Conference Planning Chair. Please visit http://liberalarts.iupui.edu/icic/conference/ or call (317) 274-2555 for more information. Confirmation of receipt will be sent via email. Presenters will be notified by email of the conference planning committee’s decision by January 10, 2012.

Conference Registration:
Registration will be open from 12-3 PM on August 9 and at 8 AM on August 10. Conference ends at 5 PM on August 11.
Conference registration fee: $150 early registration; $165 on-site registration
$50 student registration; $65 on-site registration
Conference registration also includes a pre-conference workshop on Corpus Linguistics Research Methods and IR led by Dr. Viviana Cortes, Georgia State University (1:00 – 5:00 p.m. on August 9).