

1st International Pragmatics Conference of the Americas and the 5th International Conference on Intercultural Pragmatics

October 19-21, 2012, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, USA

The goal of the joint conference is to promote both theoretical and applied research in pragmatics, and bring together scholars who are interested in different subfields of pragmatics (philosophical, linguistic, cognitive, social, intercultural, interlanguage, etc.). Three parallel sessions will be held on the following topics:

- (i) Pragmatics theories: neo-Gricean approaches, relevance theory, theory of mind, meaning, role of context, semantics-pragmatics interface, explicature, implicature, speech act theory, presuppositions, im/politeness, experimental pragmatics, etc.
- (ii) Intercultural, cross-cultural an societal aspects of pragmatics: research involving more than one language and culture or varieties of one language, lingua franca, technologically mediated communication, bilinguals' language use, intercultural misunderstandings, effect of dual language and multilingual systems on the development and use of pragmatic skills, language of aggression and conflict, etc.
- (iii) Applications: usage and corpus-based approaches, pragmatic competence, teachability and learnability of pragmatic skills, pragmatic variations within one language and across languages, developmental pragmatics, etc.

Conference website

<http://ampra.unc.edu> (under development; further information will be added when available)

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Pragmatics of the Americas Conference

Confirmed plenary speakers

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Kasia Jaszczolt	(University of Cambridge)
Istvan Kecskes	(State University of New York, Albany)
Robin Lakoff	(University of California, Berkeley)
John Perry	(Stanford University)

Co-chairs

Pilar G. Blitvich	(University of North Carolina at Charlotte)
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Jiang Wangqi, (Peking University, Beijing)

Anna Wierzbicka (Australian National University)
Mary Wildner-Bassett (University of Arizona)
Deirdre Wilson (University of London)
Andre Wlodarczyk (University of Paris, Sorbonne)

Call for papers and panels

Abstracts (max. 300 words) are invited for papers and panels on any topic relevant to the fields of pragmatics and intercultural communication.

On-line submission is at
<http://ampra.uncc.edu>

or

as an email attachment to AmPra12@gmail.com

Abstract deadline: 15, April 2012

Notification of acceptance: 1st June, 2012

Please, include your name, affiliation and e-mail address. Abstracts will be double-blind peer-reviewed, and should include sufficient details to allow reviewers to judge the scientific merits of the work. Paper presentations will be allowed 20 minutes, plus 10 minutes for questions. All presentations will be in English.

Panel proposals are welcome. Panel organizers should send an abstract of the panel (max. 300 words) and abstracts of the panel participants as an email attachment to AmPra12@gmail.com. They can also submit their panel proposal at <http://ampra.uncc.edu>

The deadline for panels is the same as for papers, **April 15th, 2012.**

Publication

There volumes of selected papers (theories; applications; intercultural aspects): Mouton de Gruyter, John Benjamins, and Cambridge Scholars Publishing

Conference fee

Regular registration: \$180 (includes coffee breaks)
Early bird registration (before 30 June 2010): \$150
Students (with valid I.D.): \$80

Venue

University of North Carolina at Charlotte, USA
Center City Building

<http://centercity.uncc.edu/>

Registration

See webpage for details

Accommodation

See webpage for details