Call for Papers

LANGUAGE TECHNOLOGY

In its third year as an official division of the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference the Language Technology group is inaugurating a new initiative.

In addition to the traditional 3-day series of sessions discussing the use of technology to enhance the acquisition of language skills, this year's "LangTech at the KFLC" is soliciting papers for a parallel 3-day series of sessions devoted specifically to Technology for Literature, Culture, and Linguistics.

For this new series of sessions, abstracts are invited that focus on the use of technology in literary, cultural, and linguistic teaching and research, including but not limited to:

- integrating technology into literature, culture, and linguistics classrooms
- technology as a tool for student projects and research in literature, culture, and linguistics
- faculty research in literature, culture, and linguistics employing technology tools ("digital humanities")

For the traditional sessions, abstracts are welcome in all other areas and aspects of technology and language, such as:

- using tech tools and techniques for language instruction in all skills and on all levels
- guiding language educators toward optimal use of technology in their teaching and research
- employing technology-based research and publication in language scholarship
- managing language technology in an academic setting

The KFLC has a tradition of attracting scholars from a broad range of languages and specializations. This year's conference will have sessions in Arabic, French, German, Hispanic, Italian, and Luso-Afro-Brazilian Studies, as well as Second Language Acquisition. We would like to see this broad range represented in the Language Technology sessions, to encourage cross-pollination of ideas among the individual languages and disciplines working to integrate technology into their teaching and research programs, and to encourage participants from the various literature, culture, and linguistics sessions to join us in our discussions.

Abstracts should be no more than one page (250 words) in length and should be submitted directly online at: http://www.stoa.org/kflc2/submit.php?cf=6. In view of the multi-language audience that we hope to attract to all Language Technology sessions, the recommended language of presentation is English.

**Deadline for submission of abstracts and panel proposals is 15 December 2007.**

[Note that this is later than the general KFLC abstract submission date.]

All proposed abstracts will be considered for inclusion in the KFLC program. Acceptance of a paper implies a commitment on the part of the participant(s) to register and attend the conference. All presenters must pay the appropriate registration fee by 15 February 2008 to be included in the program. The conference will take place 17-19 April 2008 on the campus of the University of Kentucky in Lexington.

For more information on conference logistics, please visit: http://www.uky.edu/as/kflc/. For specific information on the Language Technology sessions, contact the division leader at the coordinates listed below.

We look forward to seeing you in beautiful springtime Kentucky for the continuation of past successes and the start of an exciting new series in literature, culture, and linguistics at "LangTech at the KFLC"!

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