

WSCLA 14

Workshop on the Structure and Constituency of the Languages of the Americas

April 3-5, 2009
Purdue University
(in collaboration with Ball State University)

Call for Papers

Deadline: January 19, 2009

send abstracts to <http://linguistlist.org/confcustom/wscla14-2009>

The objective of this workshop has traditionally been to encourage linguists who are engaged in the formal study of the languages of the Americas to exchange ideas across theories, language families, generations of scholars, and most importantly, the academic and non-academic communities involved in language maintenance and revitalization.

Invited Speakers:

*Peggy Speas, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Keren Rice, University of Toronto*

We invite the submission of abstracts:

(1) for a general session in the core areas of formal linguistics (phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics) within any formal theoretical framework, on any of the languages of the Americas.

(2) for two Special Sessions:

- Session on *Modality and Evidentiality*

The languages of the Americas present morpho-syntactic devices for Modality and Evidentiality that transcend the range of devices that are found in Western languages, thus yielding a higher potential for discovering unforeseen properties of the human ability for Language.

- Session on *New Data: Verbal Classifiers*

The goal of this session is to generate new data and ideas about a specific grammatical phenomenon that is typically under-represented in the literature. The topic this year refers to morphemes, affixed to the verb, that encode information about an argument's size, shape or position.

There will also be an invited session devoted to

- *Linguistics Beyond Linguistics: Science and Education*

Abstracts can be sent for 20-min papers or for a poster session. Please submit:

- 1 page letter size (a 2nd page for references and examples may be included).
- 1" margins throughout
- 11pt Time Roman font size (min.)

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Participants whose abstracts are accepted will be eligible for financial support.