



**45th Annual Meeting of
the British Association for Applied Linguistics
FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS**

Theme: "Multilingual Theory and Practice in Applied Linguistics"

6 - 8 September 2012

University of Southampton, England, UK

BAAL 2012 will be held at Highfield Campus of the University of Southampton. The conference is being organised by the Centre for Applied Language Research and Modern Languages, at the University of Southampton. The University has hosted a wide variety of conferences over the past ten years including including the BAAL LLT SIG conference in 2006, the 2nd international ELF conference in 2009, and Sociolinguistics Symposium 18 in 2010. BAAL 1995 was also held at the University of Southampton.

BAAL 2012 will take place at Highfield Campus, the main University Campus, which is located in the northern inner suburbs of Southampton (2 miles from city centre). The campus is easily accessible by car via M3 and M27. Southampton also has very good rail services to Southampton Central (from the southwest) and to Southampton Airport Parkway (from London and the north) and the Unilink bus service provides direct buses to the campus from the city centre and from Parkway. Southampton airport has a good range of regional services and is located next to Parkway station.

Banks, Waterstones bookshop and a post office are located en route between Glen Eyre (the delegate accommodation for BAAL 2012) and the Highfield campus. The Jubilee Sports Centre on campus offers a 25 metre swimming pool and gym facilities (admissions payable separately). The campus is adjacent to Southampton Common, a 300 acre natural park excellent for walking/ jogging.

Plenary speakers:

Kingsley Bolton, City University of Hong Kong
Aneta Pavlenko, Temple University, Philadelphia, USA
Rosemarie Tracy, University of Mannheim, Germany

BAAL EC Invited colloquia:

To be confirmed

Conference Organisers:

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Conference Support:

contact baal2012@conftool.com

Conference webpage (under development): <http://www.ncl.ac.uk/ecls/news/conferences/BAAL2009/>.

See <http://www.llas.ac.uk/baal2012> for further details.

Call for Papers:

Abstracts are welcome in any area of Applied Linguistics, should be interesting and innovative in some way, and should be of scholarly and academically good quality and indicate clearly objectives, method(s), and results where appropriate. Abstracts which address the conference theme will be particularly welcome.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSTRACTS: 31 March 2012

To submit your abstract please follow the steps below:

1. Go to the following link <https://www.conftool.com/baal2012/> and click on 'create account and submit contribution' to register with the system. You will be sent an e-mail to confirm your account registration. Click on the link to confirm the account, allowing you to proceed to the next stage of the submission process.
2. Go back to the abstract submission page, log in to the submission system and start the submission process (you will have to answer a maximum of ten questions). An e-mail confirmation of receipt of abstract will be sent to you immediately. Your contact details will be included in the book of abstracts unless you opt out during the submission process.

If you are unable to submit your abstract online, contact Dawn Knight at Dawn.Knight@ncl.ac.uk

Format for Abstracts:

- Title in Times New Roman 12 (do not use all caps, no bold print)
- Text 300 words maximum (including references, if any)
- Times New Roman 12
- Align text left, single-spaced
- Do not use any special fonts, such as bold print or caps (italics fine)
- Do NOT add tables, photos, or diagrams to your abstract
- Do NOT indent your paragraphs, leave one space between paragraphs instead

Abstract type:

Indicate the type of abstract that you are submitting during the submission process: individual presentation for parallel sessions or a SIG track, poster, or colloquium.

- **Individual presentation for the parallel sessions.** Individual papers have 25 minutes: 20 for the presentation, 5 for questions.
- **Individual presentation for a Special Interest Group (SIG) track.** If you believe your paper is of interest to a SIG track, you may want to submit it to one of the SIG tracks (all individuals, whether or not officially SIG members, are eligible). The SIG may then wish to include your paper in a track at the annual meeting. Submitting your abstract to a SIG track may or may not lead to your paper being included in a SIG track and has no impact on abstract acceptance to the conference. BAAL has ten Special Interest Groups. They are (1) UK Linguistic Ethnography Forum, (2) Corpus Linguistics, (3) Psycholinguistics, (4) Multimodality, (5) Language Learning and Teaching, (6) Language in Africa, (7) Gender and Language, (8) Vocabulary Studies, (9) Testing, Evaluation and Assessment, and (10) Intercultural Communication.
- **Poster.** We strongly encourage the submission of abstracts for posters. We aim to raise the profile of posters at our conference since we value them as equal to other forms of presentation, and we believe that they tend to receive more feedback than individual papers. All posters will be listed in the book of abstracts, and there will be a dedicated area and time slot for discussion of poster presentations. There will also be a prize for best poster displayed at the conference. The winner will receive £50 and a book.
- **Proposed colloquium paper.** Colloquium introduction and individual papers within the colloquium must be submitted separately, due to technical constraints. The organiser of the colloquium should first

submit colloquium title and introduction along with an overview of paper titles in the colloquium (max 450 words). The paper abstracts of the colloquium should then be submitted VIA THE "COLLOQUIUM" STRAND by the organiser one by one, entitled "Paper X of colloquium title: paper title" followed by the abstract (max 300 words per abstract). Colloquia have half a day and a minimum of four papers. Colloquia proposers should plan their half day in four slots, in step with the individual paper slots. If they wish to have a larger number of papers, they may fit two papers into what would normally be a single slot. Colloquia papers should cohere. The order of the papers should not be changed after acceptance.

Scholarships:

During the abstract submission process, you will be asked to indicate whether you want to apply for a scholarship. If so, choose the scholarship you want to apply for and write a short paragraph (max. 200 words) explaining why you are applying for one of the scholarships.

BAAL offers ten UK student scholarships to postgraduate students based in the UK. The scholarships cover the registration fee. BAAL also offers two International Scholarships, one of which is the Chris Brumfit International Scholarship. These are worth £1,000, which goes towards registration, accommodation, meals and travel.

All presenters have to be BAAL members by the time they register for the conference.