

ASL Profession in K-12 Deaf Education: Engaging, Empowering, Electrifying

Ohlone College, Newark Center
39339 Cherry Street, Newark CA
January 13-16, 2010

The purpose of this Third National ASLRT is to provide a place for Pre-K-12 ASL professionals and administrators to participate in new initiatives in ASL development for deaf and hard-of-hearing learners in K-12 ASL/English bilingual settings. It addresses best practices and issues related to ASL teaching, ASL curriculum, and ASL instructional language assessment.

2010 American Sign Language Roundtable Tentative Schedule			
1/13/2010 Wednesday	1/14/2010 Thursday	1/15/2010 Friday	1/16/2010 Saturday
	7:30—8:30 am Registration Ohlone College, Newark Center		
	8:30—9:15 am Language Planning Overview	8:30—9:30 am Open Space Technique	8:30—9:30 am Poster Sessions
	Speaker: Dr. Stephen Nover	Facilitator: Rory Osbrink	
	9:15—9:30 am Topic Development for Open Space Technique		
	Moderator: Rory Osbrink		
	9:30 –9:45 am BREAK	9:30 –9:45 am BREAK	9:30 –9:45 am BREAK
	9:45—10:45 am ATTITUDES Presentation	9:45—10:45 am ACQUISITION Presentation	9:45—11:00 am Discussion on CURRICULUM & ASSESSMENT Sessions
	Speakers: David Eberwein & Dr. Eddy Laird	Speakers: Dr. Jennifer Herbold & Scott Mohan	Moderator: Sarah Novotny

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	<p>10:45—11:15 am ATTITUDES Question Development Discussion</p> <p>Facilitator: Rory Osbrink</p>	<p>10:45—11:15 am ACQUISITION Question Development Discussion</p> <p>Facilitator: Maureen Yates-Burns</p>	<p>11:00—11:45 am Discussion on your Action Plans</p> <p>Facilitator: Sarah Novotny</p>
	<p>11:15—12 noon ATTITUDES Panel</p> <p>Moderator: Rory Osbrink</p>	<p>11:15—12 noon ACQUISITION Panel</p> <p>Moderator: Maureen Yates-Burns</p>	<p>11:45—12 noon Wrap up</p>
	<p>12 noon—1:00 pm LUNCH</p>	<p>12 noon—1:00 pm LUNCH</p>	<p>12 noon—1:00 pm LUNCH (on your own)</p>
	<p>1:00—2:00 pm STATUS Presentation</p> <p>Speakers: Nancy Berrigan & Adele Ann Eberwein</p>	<p>1:00 –2:00 pm CORPUS Presentation</p> <p>Speakers: Joey Baer & Kelly Krzyska</p>	<p>1:00 pm Clerc Classic at CSD http://www.csdf.k12.ca.us/athletics/tournaments.html (included in your registration)</p>
	<p>2:00—2:30 pm STATUS Question Development Discussion</p> <p>Moderator: Svenna Pedersen</p>	<p>2:00—2:30 pm CORPUS Question Development Discussion</p> <p>Moderator: Cara Barnett</p>	

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<p>4:00– 6:00 pm Registration Newark Hilton Hotel</p>	<p>3:30—4:30 pm Breakout Session (ECE,Elem, Middle, HS) CURRICULUM</p> <p>Facilitators: Svenna Pedersen, Kelly Krzyska, Cara Barnett, Tim Gough</p>	<p>3:30—4:30 pm Breakout Session (ECE, Elem, Middle, HS) ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Facilitators: Svenna Pedersen, Kelly Krzyska, Cara Barnett, Tim Gough</p>	
	<p>4:30—5:00 pm Wrap-Up (Review)</p>	<p>4:30—5:00 pm Wrap-Up (Review)</p>	
<p>6:00—7:00 pm Appetizers & Social</p>	<p>Clerc Classic http://www.csd.f.k12.ca.us/athletics/tournaments.html (included in your registration)</p>		
<p>7:00—9:00 pm Welcome Program</p> <p>Keynote Dr. Amy Hile & Dr. Laurene Simms</p>		<p>8:00—11:00 pm Social</p>	

Definitions

ATTITUDES – The development of the positive (or negative) attitudes toward the target language, or toward bilingualism or multilingualism.

STATUS – Deliberate efforts to allocate the functions of languages and literacies within a language community. Refers to policy – deciding which languages or variants to declare official or develop.

ACQUISITION – Setting up methods and incentives for acquiring the desired language. Refers to promotion of the language – creates or improves opportunities or incentives to learn and promoting the spread of a desired language.

CORPUS – The creation of new forms, the modification of old ones, or the selection from alternative forms in a spoken, written or signed code. This refers to language development – writing system, a dictionary, standardization, new vocabulary, conventions on punctuations, and incorporation of load words/signs.

Speakers

Keynote: Dr. Amy Hile and Dr. Laurene Simms

Dr. Hile is the program director of the master's program in the Department of Education at Gallaudet University. Her doctoral studies centered on the areas of ASL Development/Acquisition, Fingerspelling, and K-12 ASL/English Bilingual Education. Her background includes working as an ASL Specialist at the New Mexico School for the Deaf.

Dr. Simms is a professor in the Department of Education at Gallaudet University. Her specializations include Multiculturalism/social justice; literacy research; advocacy of Deaf People of Color; Early Childhood Education; diversified teaching/pedagogy; Deaf Education History; International Deaf Education; American Sign Language and English Bilingualism. She has hands-on experience in the implementation of an ASL/English bilingual educational environment for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children and is an acknowledged expert on the topic of using ASL/English as the languages of instruction.

Special Note

The event will open with a tribute to Dr. Larry Fleischer, who was an integral part of the ASLRT 2010 planning. Dr. Fleischer's accomplishments include: Chair, Deaf Studies Department, Michael D. Eisner College of Education, California State University Northridge (CSUN); Founder, Deaf Studies as an Academic Discipline at CSUN; in addition to his academic credits he was known as an advocate for American Sign Language and a noted leader in Deaf education.