

2017 GRADNASFLA Symposium: Demystifying Systemic Functional Linguistics

**October 20-22, 2017
University of Georgia**

College of Education
Room 417 Aderhold Hall
110 Carlton St.
Athens, Georgia 30602

FRIDAY

5:00 - Social Hour The Globe 199 N Lumpkin St, Athens, GA 30601

SATURDAY

8:30 - 9:25 - Registration - Breakfast and Coffee

9:30 - 10:30 - Keynote Speech

“Supporting Bilingual and Bidialectal Students in K-12 Schools” - Dr. Ruth Harman, Professor of Language and Literacy Education, University of Georgia

10:35 - 12:15 - Session I: SFL in the K-12 Classroom

- “SFL praxis in 8th grade English language arts (ELA) classrooms” - AJ Jackson, Nicole Baker, McKenzie Crippen, Russell Middle School, Winder, GA
- "Functional language analysis in a high school science classroom"
- John Levasseur, American International College
- “Multimodal Semiotic Tools: A Middle School Case Study”
- Jason Mizell, University of Georgia
- “Enacting and Appropriating Field, Tenor, Mode, and Genre: A Multimodal SFL Analysis” - Nicole King, The Ohio State University

12:15 - 12:45 - Poster Session

- “SFL in the Secondary Spanish Classroom: Using Text Analysis to Support Foreign Language Literacies” - Yasameen Salehi, Mount Holyoke College
- “A Study of the Effectiveness of People-First Language”
- Melissa Gomes, University of Georgia

12:45 - 1:25 - Lunch Break: Big City Bread Catering

1:30 - 2:30 - Workshop

Dr. Meg Gebhard, Professor of Education, University of Massachusetts - Amherst

2:35 - 3:50 - Session II: SFL and Textual Analysis

- “Theme analysis with native-English-speaking adolescents’ narrative writings” - Peijuan Cao, University of Florida
- “Linguistic markers of epistemic stance in adolescent students’ informational writing”
- Jungyoung Park, University of Florida
- “Defying the norm, yet still conforming: A critical analysis exploring gender roles in picture books” - Cole Kervin and Christina Cavallaro, Florida Atlantic University

3:50 - 4:00 - Break

4:00 - 5:00 - Workshop - Dr. Nihal Khote, Assistant Professor of TESOL, Kennesaw State University and Dr. Amber Simmons, Instructor of English and Literature at Brookwood High School, Gwinnett County, Georgia

5:00 - Social Hour - Join us afterwards for a social event in downtown Athens, Georgia. For more information, contact Kelly Dugan at 612-987-7776 or kpugan@uga.edu.

SUNDAY

8:30 - 8:55 - Breakfast and Coffee

9:00 - 10:15 - Session III: SFL Philosophy, Theory, and Practice

- “Halliday’s and Deleuze and Guattari’s Philosophies of Language” - Nicole Siffrinn, University of Georgia
- “Using SFL and LCT to Explore How Emergent Bilinguals Develop Scientific Language” - Cory Buxton and Lourdes Cardozo-Gaibisso, University of Georgia
- “Analyzing the impact of SFL-based coursework for secondary pre-service teachers: What sticks?” - Kathryn Accurso, University of Massachusetts - Amherst

10:20 - 11:20 - Featured Presentation

“Reading to Learn: A powerful Parental Engagement Approach for Non-English Speakers”
- Dr. Andres Ramirez, Assistant Professor of TESOL and Bilingual Education, Florida Atlantic University

11:20 - 11:30 Break

11:30 - 12:15 - Faculty Panel on Building a Career in SFL:

- Dr. Meg Gebhard, Professor of Education, University of Massachusetts - Amherst
- Dr. Ruth Harman, Associate Professor of Language and Literacy Education, University of Georgia
- Dr. Nihal Khote, Assistant Professor of TESOL, Kennesaw State University
- Dr. Andres Ramirez, Assistant Professor of TESOL and Bilingual Education, Florida Atlantic University
- Dr. Dong-shin Shin, Assistant Professor of Literacy and Second Language Studies, University of Cincinnati
- Dr. Amber Simmons, Instructor of English and Literature at Brookwood High School, Gwinnett County, Georgia

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING AND SAFE TRAVELS!