



# Mod News . . .

## Modern Languages and Literatures

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### Events/Guest Lectures

Saturday, May 21-Sunday, May 22, 2011

In affiliation with THATCamp: The Humanities and Technology Camp, the Faculty of Information and Media Studies (FIMS) will be hosting an Unconference on Digital Humanities, University of Western Ontario, North Campus Building. For further information please see:

[http://www.fims.uwo.ca/about/events/events\\_items/11-01-27/THATCampUWO\\_Unconference\\_-\\_May\\_21-22\\_2011.aspx](http://www.fims.uwo.ca/about/events/events_items/11-01-27/THATCampUWO_Unconference_-_May_21-22_2011.aspx)

La Tertulia (Spanish Conversation Group) meets every Wednesday, 3:30 pm, UC 117. For further information contact: [tertuliala@uwo.ca](mailto:tertuliala@uwo.ca)

### Conference Presentations

**Nazia Akhtar** (CL-PhD) “Zeemuth and Zohra: Gender in Nation and Canon Formation in and around Zeenuth Futehally’s novel Zohra”, World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 1, 2011

**Joyce Bruhn de Garavito** “L2 knowledge of gender and number agreement in ellipsis constructions”, Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, May 6, 2011.

**Cristina Caracchini** “Tra musei, aeroporti, ristoranti, stanze da letto, rebus, acrostici e travestimenti vari: quattro passi nella vita dell'altro”, Annual Convention of the American Association for Italian Studies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, April 8, 2011.

**David Darby** “W.G. Sebald, *Austerlitz*, and the Limits of Proustian Poetics”, World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 2, 2011.

**Laurence deLooze** “The Concept of the Self in *Egils saga Skallagrímssonar*: A Ricoeurian Approach”, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland, April 2, 2011.

### Conference Presentations (cont'd)

**Laurence de Looze** “The Alphabetic Order and European Concepts of Civilization”, COLÓQUIO INTERNACIONAL INTERDISCIPLINAR: Da Letra ao Imaginário Em Homenagem à Professora Irene Freire Nunes, Lisbon, Portugal, May 4, 2011.

**Tingfang Du** (CL-MA) “Postcolonial Perspective of Testimonial Writing: Translation as a ‘Middle Voice’ in Indian School Days and A Long Way Gone”, World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 2, 2011.

**Maria Eugenia de Luna Villalón** (HS-PhD) “World Café: a model that helps to promote collaborative dialogue in the language classroom. Innovative Approaches to Second Language Teaching: Interdisciplinary Multimodal, Digital Tried and True Practices”, Innovative Approaches to Second Language Teaching (IASLT), University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, April 8, 2011.

**Maria Eugenia de Luna Villalón** (HS-PhD) “Sociolinguistics Barriers: Constructing and Reproducing Temporary Migrants’ Social Inequalities. Poster presented at “Taking Stock of a Turbulent Decade and Looking Ahead: Immigration to North America in 2000-2010”, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, April 28, 2011.

**Anirban Halder** (CL-MA) “In Modernity’s Refuge: Remembering with the Refugee in *Meghe Dhaka Tara* (*The Cloud-Capped Star*) and *Nabarag* (*The New Raga*)”, World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 1, 2011.

**Agnieszka Herra** (CL-PhD) “Non-violent Disillusionment: Symbolic Violence in Post-Solidarity Polish Prose Fiction”, World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative

Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 3, 2011.

### Conference Presentations (cont'd)

**Agnieszka Herra** (CL-PhD) "There's No Place like Home: Writing about Memory and Exile," Memory, Mediation, Remediation: An International Conference on Memory in Literature and Film, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, ON, April 30, 2011.

**Camelia Nuñez** (HS-PhD) and **Juan Luis Suárez** "The Relevance of Input Theories to Computer Assisted Language Learning", Innovative Approaches to Second Language Teaching (IASLT), University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, April 8, 2011.

**Camelia Nuñez** (HS-PhD) **Juan Luis Suárez** and **José Quesada** "A Virtual Laboratory for Language Learning based on Input Theory and Spoken Dialogue System Technology". Opportunities and New Directions (OND), University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, April 27, 2011.

**Camelia Nuñez** (HS-PhD) "Putting Spanish into Practice through Community Service Learning" Quebec-Ontario Dialogues on Acquisition and Spanish (QODAS), University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, May 4, 2011.

**Yolanda Pangtay-Chang** (HS-PhD) "Input vs Corrective Feedback in the Acquisition of Spanish Negation", Quebec-Ontario Dialogues on the Acquisition of Spanish (QODAS), Ottawa, Ontario, May 4, 2011.

**Luca Poggi** "Arminio e il paesaggio postumo", Annual Convention of the American Association for Italian Studies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, April 8, 2011.

**Karthick Ramachadran**, **Camelia Nuñez** (HS-PhD) and **Juan Luis Suárez** "Teaching and Learning with Yutzu", Innovative Approaches to Second Language Teaching (IASLT), University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, April 8, 2011.

**Nida Sajid** "In 'Savage' Company: Edmund Burke's Construction of Sublime Terror and India," World Literature, Comparative Literature: Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 1, 2011.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to **Joyce Bruhn de Garavito** who has accepted a five year term as Chair in Modern Languages and Literatures commencing on July 1, 2011.

Congratulations to **Mitsume Fukui** for winning the 2011 Arts and Humanities Teaching Excellence Award for part-time faculty.

### Congratulations (cont'd)

Congratulations to the following graduate students who recently achieved success on the job market:

#### Comparative Literature:

**Maria Mayr:** Assistant Professor, Department of German and Russian, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland.

**Nida Sajid:** Assistant Professor, Department of African, Middle Eastern, and South Asian Languages and Literatures Rutgers State University, Camden, New Jersey.

#### Hispanic Studies:

**Ana Laura Munoz:** National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM Canada Extension School), Gatineau, Quebec.

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