

Seminar: Language Teaching and Learning

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What to do in our seminar?:

Goals

We will explore effective teaching and learning in language education: the purpose of our seminar is to give an insight into a wide range of perspectives on how to elicit and maintain language learners' motivation (L2 motivation). We will examine and discuss significant aspects related to the successful teaching and learning in different types of language classrooms.

Our Activities

- The course provides opportunities to:
 - 1. Explore challenging issues in language teaching and learning.
 - 2. Examine theories and practice in L2 motivation.
 - 3. Make progress with accumulating knowledge and practising methods on teaching languages.
- Students are required to:
 - 1. Make presentations on topics covered in the seminar.
 - 2. Complete a writing assignment reflecting our studies in the seminar.
 - Participate in workshops and teaching practice for primary/secondary English education, etc. (domestic & overseas) that are organised for/in relation with the seminar.
 - conferences/workshops for English teachers/student teachers, etc.: information provided in the seminar
 - teaching activities in schools/seminar trips, etc.: information provided in the seminar

Qualification

- You must have completed the prerequisite/related courses on TESOL/ESL Education and L2 Education for Children.
- You must be an active learner for making contributions to our studies in language teaching and learning.
- You must put the first priority on our seminar studies/activities with regard to your schedules for the holidays as well as the weekdays throughout the academic year.

Grading Criteria

- Evaluation will be based on:
 - 1. Class participation
 - 2. Presentation tasks
 - 3. Writing assignment
 - 4. Seminar activities participation
 - 5. Unexcused absences are strictly prohibited.

Duration of the Seminar

- This seminar has two classes per week.
- To complete the whole contents of the seminar, you are expected to take this seminar on the year basis: you are strongly recommended to work with us both for the 3rd and 4th years.

How to apply for our seminar?:

Seminar Visit

- Open seminar weeks: 5th (Fri.) ~ 25th (Thu.) Oct.
- Seminar periods: 3rd and 4th periods on Thursdays. (Please check the timetable to visit us in advance.)
- Seminar room: S404.
- Contact the seminar instructor for any inquiries on the seminar visit by mail.

Selection

- Students to be admitted: those who are thought as eligible can join us both from the 3rd and 4th years each.
- Application form submission: 19th Oct. (Fri.) ~ 5th Nov. (Mon.) (on 5th by 17:00) to the GIS office.
- Date & Place for the interview session: 7th~30th Nov. (Tue. and Thu. only) at

: the interview session negotiated by mail

• The announcement for the result: 5th Dec. (Wed.) at 15:00

Contact

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We are looking forward to working with you in the future!