Three more years!

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Leoki: A Powerful Voice for Hawaiian Language Revitalization
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The Development of Discourse-Based Features of the L2 in Internet Environments
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Hawaiian & Vietnamese teaching materials

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Components of Media Communication Education (Research Note #18), Tella
Symposium Presentation Videos Available for Viewing

This past summer the NFLRC invited a group of over 100 educators involved in New Technologies & Less Commonly Taught Languages to participate in the 1996 NFLRC Summer Institute, reflecting their shared recognition of the increasingly vital roles that LCTLs and technology are playing in foreign language pedagogy nationwide. The Institute offered a series of highly successful Internet workshops (ChineseNet, Pedagogy of the Internet, Spiderware) led by NFLRC staff as well as a Symposium featuring a dynamic selection of participant-generated paper presentations, hands-on workshops, demonstrations, and discussion sessions on topics related to the Institute theme.

In an effort to strengthen campus-wide dissemination of Summer Institute information, the Second Language Teaching and Curriculum Center has made available for checkout videotapes of Symposium paper presentations (see list of selections below). Call Heidi at (6-9424) or Lauren at (6-5982) if you are interested in borrowing a tape. For more information about the 1996 NFLRC Summer Institute and for a link to the Symposium presentation abstracts, please see our web page: http://www.lll.hawaii.edu/nflrc/institutes.html

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Leokii: A Powerful Voice for Hawaiian Language Revitalization
Keola Donaghy, University of Hawai‘i at Hilo

LCTLs and Technology: Toward a New Language Learning Paradigm
Erika Gilson, Princeton University, New Jersey

The Sociocultural Content of a Discourse-Centered Multimedia Language Curriculum
Roger Andersen, University of California at Los Angeles

Computer-Mediated Communication (CMC) and Japanese Immersion: A Case Study on Developing Sociolinguistic Competence through Email
David Chapman, Central Queensland University, Australia

Teaching Russian via Distance Learning and the Future Impact of this Technology
Marina Parsegova, Mountain Crest High School, Utah

Foreign Language Instruction via Interactive Television: An Experiment in Mandarin Chinese
David Hiple, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

Conversion of a Teacher-Delivered Course into an Interactive Multimedia CD-ROM Tutorial
Antonia Schleicher, University of Wisconsin at Madison

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Hawaiian & Vietnamese teaching materials

One of the functions of the SLTCC is to disseminate useful language teaching materials that may not have a large enough audience to merit the attention of commercial publishers. This year’s offerings are:

Nā Mea Ulu Hawai‘i/Ka Makani/Ka Wā'a
Dukelow, Iokepa, Ka'awa, Kua'ihinui, Pu'u, & Wright

This collection of authentic Hawaiian language materials consists of three separate resource units covering the topics “Hawaiian plants”, “wind”, and “canoes”. In addition to the texts from a wide variety of sources, also included are drawings, color illustrations of native plants, and songs. Users of these materials may feel free to reproduce them for classroom use.

Computer-Mediated Swahili Instruction
John Mugane, Stanford University, California

CD Modules for Advanced Students of Russian and Other LCTLs
George Gutsche & Phillip Hammond, University of Arizona

Using Interactive Videodisk: In and Beyond the Classroom
Madeline Spring, University of Colorado, Boulder

Swahili-L: An Internet Model for Less Commonly Taught Languages
Patricia Kuntz, University of Wisconsin

Education in Technology for LCTLs: Ngā Taustono Korohiko
Robert Barbour & Te Taka Keegan, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand

Information-Centered Language Learning: Students Accessing Information for Language Purposes
Orlando Kelm, University of Texas at Austin

Joy and Agony of Integrating Technology into the Curriculum
Yoko Koike, Haverford College, Pennsylvania

The Development of Discourse-Based Features of the L2 in Internet Environments
Rafael Salaberry, Cornell University, New York

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NFLRC Summer Institutes: Past & Future

The National Foreign Language Resource Center offers summer institutes of varying themes each year, providing forums for educators to gain hands-on experience with and share resources on relevant developments in foreign language education. To achieve maximum outreach and dissemination, the Center strives to establish and maintain structures for participant collaboration so that nationally coordinated work in specific areas of interest can continue beyond each institute.

The Center's first four summer institutes offered intensive language-specific workshops in materials development and teacher training. In 1995 and 1996, the Center invited a total of over 250 foreign language professionals to participate in summer institutes focusing on the themes of Technology & the Human Factor in Foreign Language Education and New Technologies & Less Commonly Taught Languages respectively. The 1995 and 1996 institutes each featured a series of intensive workshops in educational technology and a week-long symposium, the proceedings of which have been published through the Center.

The next three NFLRC summer institutes will be planned around the following themes:

1997 Distance Education
1998 Technology-Based Materials for Immersion Instruction
1999 Self-Instructional Materials Development

To be put on the mailing list for information about upcoming NFLRC summer institutes, send email to:

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