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The University of Hawai'i National Foreign Language Resource Center engages in research and materials development projects and conducts workshops and conferences for language professionals among its many activities.

The NFLRC Team @ ACTFL 2015

NOVEMBER 20-22, 2015 • San Diego, CA

Going to the 2015 American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Convention in San Diego, California? The NFLRC team will be out in full force with 6 exciting presentations related to our Project-Based Language Learning (PBLL) and Online Language Pedagogy (OLP) projects. Mark your calendars and come join us!

Also, come visit our booth (#1849) in the ACTFL 2015 Exhibit Hall!

2016 ONLINE SYMPOSIUM: PROJECT-BASED LANGUAGE LEARNING (PBLL): INSPIRING TEACHERS, TRANSFORMING LEARNING

On January 12-15, 2016, the Project-Based Language Learning (PBLL) Online Symposium will bring together experts, educational leaders, and world language teachers to foster conversation on the potential of PBLL to transform and enhance language education. PBLL's intersections with content-based instruction, task-based language learning, and performance assessment make it an ideal means for grounding language learning in real needs and measurable outcomes.

We invite language educators, policymakers, researchers, and innovators to join the conversation and help further refine the Project-Based Learning framework by anchoring it to issues and ideas that are relevant to language education. This unique FREE event will provide attendees not only invaluable opportunities to access expertise in PBLL and engage in thought-provoking and constructive dialogues, but also a chance to network with professionals who are passionate about this topic.

2016 ONLINE INSTITUTE: FUNDAMENTALS OF PROJECT-BASED LANGUAGE LEARNING

Project-Based Learning has a rich and productive history extending for over 100 years. Embark on a journey of discovery to better understand project-based language learning (PBLL) and explore its connections with 21st Century Skills, content-based instruction, performance assessment and your own instructional context. Experts in the field guide you through the creation of a project blueprint. Connect with colleagues who have a common interest in quality PBLL implementation.

Complete Option 1 as part of a facilitated cohort or Option 2 via self-paced study. Successfully complete all assigned tasks and earn an NFLRC digital badge, which qualifies you to apply for the NFLRC PBLL Intensive Summer Institute offered each year. Registration for the online institute is \$25 and opens in November 2015. Space is limited, so sign up today.

2016 Southwest Conference on Language Teaching (SWCOLT) MARCH 3–5, 2016 • Honolulu, HI



We are pleased to be hosting the 2016 Southwest Conference on Language Teaching (SWCOLT), its first time in Hawai'i, in conjunction with the Hawai'i Association of Language Teachers (HALT), which will be celebrating its 30th anniversary.

SWCOLT is a regional foreign language teachers' organization that brings together K-16 language educators from 9 member states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawai'i, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah.

SWCOLT 2016 will be held at the Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel, with pre-conference workshops on March 3 and the main conference on March 4–5. The theme of the conference will be *I ka 'ōlelo ke ola ("In language, there is life"*). Please see the SWCOLT website for more details

STAY IN TOUCH WITH SOCIAL MEDIA

Did you know that the NFLRC has its own **Facebook page** with over 2,800 fans? It's one of the best ways to hear about the latest news, publications, conferences, workshops, and resources we offer. Just click on the "Like" button to become a fan. For those who prefer getting up-to-the-minute "tweets," you can follow us on our **Twitter page**. Finally, NFLRC has its own **YouTube channel** with a growing collection of free language learning and teaching videos for your perusal. Subscribe today!

NFLRC PUBLICATIONS



NFLRC maintains a large searchable archive of free language research and teaching materials which currently contains over 350 items. These items include foreign language teaching materials —print, audio, and video,—language acquisition research papers, and collections of conference materials.

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Language Documentation & Conservation is a refereed, open-access journal sponsored by NFLRC and published by University of Hawai'i Press. LD&C publishes papers on all topics related to language documentation and conservation, as well as book reviews, hardware and software reviews, and notes from the field.



Reading in a Foreign Language is a refereed international journal of issues in foreign language reading and literacy, published twice yearly on the World Wide Web and sponsored by NFLRC and the University of Hawai'i College of Languages, Linguistics, and Literature.

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Michigan State University Center for Language Education and Research (CLEAR)

CLEAR's mission is to promote the teaching and learning of foreign languages in the United States. Projects focus on materials development, professional development training, and foreign language research.

CONFERENCES

CLEAR exhibits at local and national conferences year-round. We enjoyed seeing many of you in Boulder, CO at the CALICO conference, and look forward to seeing you at MIWLA and ACTFL later this year. We will be hosting CALICO 2016 right here in East Lansing, so May would be a perfect time to come and visit us in person!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CLEAR hosted three well-attended professional development workshops in July. Covering topics including reading and listening in the language classroom, online tools for language learning, and proficiency-based assessment, the workshops offered hands-on experience and lots of ideas for language educators from across the United States. Watch our Web site in October for the announcement of topics and dates for summer 2016, our twentieth year of summer workshops.

NEWSLETTER

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