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Preface

The NWLC is an annual student-run conference which alternates between four universities in British Columbia and Washington State: University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, University of Victoria, and University of Washington. The 2002 conference took place at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby Mountain Campus, Greater Vancouver, BC, Canada on April 6 & 7, 2002. A full list of papers presented at the conference is given below. Seven of these papers are published in this volume.

Papers presented at NWLC 2002:

**Language acquisition - Philosophy of linguistics**
Gabe Webster, University of Washington
Towards a realistic conception of Universal Grammar

**Syntax**
Kayono Shiobara, Department of Linguistics, University of British Columbia
A note on the position of depictive

Sugunya Ruangjaroon, Department of Linguistics, University of British Columbia
Wh-questions in Thai

**Morphology - Syntax**
Ke Zou, English Department, California State University, Hayward
Verb-noun compounds and definiteness effect

**Syntax - Semantics**
Kyung-Sook Chung, Department of Linguistics, Simon Fraser University
Presupposition and Korean -(N)un

**Semantics - Morphology**
Ilana Mezhevich, University of Calgary
English compounds and Russian relational adjectives

**Semantics**
Toshiko Oda, University of Connecticut, Comparing distance of worlds

**Lexical semantics - Lexicography - SLA**
Ulla Vanhatalo, Department of Scandinavian Studies, University of Washington; and Department of Finno-Ugrian Studies, University of Helsinki
Population tests in lexicography

**Cognitive Linguistics**
Janet Hui-wen Hsiao, School of Computing Science, Simon Fraser University
An explanation of semantic anomalies from semantic predictions in a Hebbian-competitive network

Hui Yin, Department of Linguistics, University of Alberta
A cognitive approach to the Japanese verb kuru ‘come’

**Phonetics**
Yungdo Yun, Linguistics Department, University of Washington
Perception of English vowels by Korean listeners
Geoffrey Stewart Morrison, Department of Linguistics, Simon Fraser University

*Perception of English /i/ and /i/ by Japanese and Spanish listeners: Longitudinal results*

**Phonology**

Mihoko Teshigawara, Department of Linguistics, University of Victoria

*Vowel devoicing in Tokyo Japanese*

Susannah Levi, University of Washington

*Intonation of noun compounds and genitives in Turkish*

Sheena Van Der Mark, Department of Linguistics, University of Calgary

*A unified view of prosody*

**Sociolinguistics**

Jeff Deby, Department of Linguistics, Georgetown University

*Televised ice-hockey commentary as masculinity performance: A discourse analysis*

Liwei Gao, & Hui-mei Hsu, Department of Linguistics / Department of Curriculum & Instruction, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*Identity construction as a propellant of lexical change in Chinese*

Walter Guerra, Department of French, Hispanic & Italian Studies, University of British Columbia

*A Sociolinguistic Study: The importance of the Spanish language in the United States in the new century*

Jeff Stevenson, Department of Linguistics, University of Washington

*Voseo as a sociolinguistic variable in Chile*

**Keynote Speaker**

Chung-hye Han, Linguistics, Simon Fraser University (co-author Maribel Romero, University of Pennsylvania)

*Interplay of Focus and Ellipsis in Alternative Questions*

**Second Language Acquisition**

Ulf Schuetze, Germanic Studies, University of British Columbia

*Speaking a L2: Second versus Foreign Language Acquisition*

Sunah Cho, Department of Language and Literacy, University of British Columbia

*How does CMC optimize social practices and language learning?*

Caroline Morgan-Carter, French and Linguistics Departments of Simon Fraser University

*Music production and L2 production*

Sayaka Suzuki, Faculty of Language and Culture, Graduate School of Osaka University

*Interpretation of secondary predicates by L1 and L2 acquisition of Japanese*

Yong Nan Kim, Spanish, Italian, & Portuguese, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and French, Hispanic & Italian Studies, University of British Columbia

*The development of object pronoun clitics in L2 Spanish by adult speakers of English: Acquisition of null object morphosyntactic properties*
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