



Call for Papers
19th MwALT Conference
*Language Assessment and its
Sociopolitical Context*
Saturday, October 28th, 2017
Wright State University,
Dayton, Ohio



Proposal Submission Due Date: 06-12-2017

With changes in federal education policy and state level K-12 curriculum controversies in the U.S., growing immigration scrutiny, new refugee populations, and a continuing demographic shift towards racial/ethnic plurality in many nations, the 19th MwALT conference theme presents an opportunity to reflect on sociopolitical factors that interact with language assessment in the United States and throughout the world. How do social contexts and political forces impact the design and use of language assessments? How do language assessments figure in social discourse and policymaking? We encourage both empirical and theoretical papers that examine the connections between language assessments and their sociopolitical contexts. We also welcome papers that deal with any area of language testing and assessment.

TYPES OF PRESENTATIONS:

1. Papers: Presentations on theoretically-oriented papers or completed research. Papers related to the conference theme or any area of language testing and assessment are welcome. The presenter will have 20 minutes to present, followed by 10 minutes for questions or comments.
2. Posters: Posters on theoretical issues, completed research, or innovative practices related in language testing and assessment. Posters may include work-in-progress research. Poster presenters will host their posters and discuss their research with conference participants.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: In order to be considered, proposals must be received by Monday, June 12, 2017. Notification of acceptance and non-acceptance will be sent by Friday, July 28, 2017.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS:

1. Abstracts should be no longer than 250 words for papers or posters.
2. On a separate page, please include the following:
 - a. Title of presentation (10 words maximum);
 - b. Type of presentation (Paper, Poster);
 - c. Name of the authors in the order you would like them to appear in the program book, and their institutional affiliation, including the city and state of the institution. Do not use acronyms when giving institutional affiliations. Underline the name of the author who will be the correspondent;
 - i. E-mail address of correspondent;
 - ii. Daytime telephone number of correspondent.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SENDING ELECTRONIC MAIL SUBMISSIONS:

All submissions must be sent electronically to deborah.crusan@wright.edu. Attach the abstract as an MS Word or PDF file to an e-mail with the subject header "**MwALT Submission – ‘your name’** (e.g MwALT Submission – Deborah Crusan)." Electronic files submitted without your name could become lost.

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