

**CALL FOR PAPERS – 21st MWALT CONFERENCE**  
***Building Pathways between Language and Assessment***

October 4-5, 2019

Indiana University

Bloomington, IN

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The 21st MwALT Conference will take place on October 4-5 at the Department of Second Language Studies at Indiana University.

This year's conference theme is "*Building Pathways between Language and Assessment.*" While we welcome abstracts on any language testing related topic, we would particularly appreciate abstracts that address the ties between second language acquisition and assessment. Potential topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Assessment of second language development of culturally and linguistically diverse students
- Relationships between a linguistic construct and language proficiency
- Examining/redefining a construct
- Growth trajectories for academic language development
- Development of scale descriptors
- Rating behaviors in different scoring domains

**TYPES OF PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Papers: Presentations on theoretically-oriented subjects 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 to 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, abstracts for papers or posters must be received by Monday, May 31, 2019. Notification decisions will be sent in late July, 2019.

**GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS:** All submissions must be submitted electronically via the following link as an MS Word or PDF file: <http://linguistlist.org/easyabs/mwalt2019>

Abstracts should be no longer than 300 words for papers or posters. They should clearly indicate the research purpose, methods, and results. Also, abstracts should NOT include any personal information. Abstracts including personal information may not be considered for review.

**CONTACT INFORMATION** If you have any questions, contact the MwALT 2019 Organizing Committee at [mwalt19@iu.edu](mailto:mwalt19@iu.edu).