

NCTEAR 2010

Assembly for Research Midwinter Conference

METHODOLOGY MATTERS: MOVING LITERACY RESEARCH FORWARD

February 19th-21st, 2010; University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Co-sponsored by Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Co-Chairs: Amanda Godley, sj Miller, and Amanda Thein

CALL FOR PROPOSALS:

The 2010 conference theme focuses on new research methodologies that have emerged in response to new questions in literacy research, such as the relationship between literacy and identity, longitudinal literacy development, and out-of-school literacies. The conference theme also aims to address current practical, theoretical, and methodological challenges in literacy research, such as collecting rich data within classrooms and managing tensions between =scientifically-based= research and in-depth qualitative research. Our keynote speakers will speak to the affordances and challenges of various literacy research methodologies, including memoir, oral history, classroom discourse analysis, policy research and teacher/faculty collaborations.

We welcome proposals that describe literacy researchers = methodological insights and challenges through descriptions of specific studies, explorations of emerging theories of research, and considerations of practical and ethical research dilemmas.

Proposals (no more than 2 single-spaced pages) should address the following: The research question(s), methodology, findings/issues/questions for discussion, and how the research will contribute to the conference conversation. If your paper is a conceptual/theoretical one, please describe your theoretical framework and argument and tell how it will contribute to the conference conversation. We strongly encourage the participation of classroom teachers and graduate students, so if you are currently a classroom teacher or graduate student, please indicate so in your proposal.

Please send all proposals to NCTEAR@pitt.edu. The deadline for submission of proposals is September 30, 2009.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, check out the conference website at:

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