CONFERENCE NEWS

The 6th International Conference on Chinese Language Pedagogy and the First International Conference on Teaching Chinese to American Students 第六届国际汉语教学学术研究研讨会暨首届国际对美汉语教学研讨会August 3-5, 2007
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The 6th International Conference on Chinese Language Pedagogy and the First International Conference on Teaching Chinese to American Students will be held in Nanjing and Yangzhou on August 3-5, 2007. The purpose of the conference is to promote academic exchange and cooperation among teachers and scholars in the field of Teaching Chinese as a Foreign Language (TCSL) in and outside China. The theme of this conference is weighing on teaching Chinese to American students, but the conference also accepts papers on teaching Chinese as a foreign language to students in other countries.

The Conference welcomes papers (in Chinese or English) on, but not limited to, the following topics for discussion:

- 1) Common and special features of the Chinese learning styles among American students
- 2) Curriculum designs, teaching methods and techniques in the classrooms of TCSL (focusing on American students)
- 3) Case studies on teaching Chinese characters, pronunciation, grammar, speaking, reading and writing to American students
- 4) Management of Chinese language programs for American students
- 5) Teacher training programs for Chinese language teachers in U. S.
- 6) New concepts and developments in compiling textbooks for teaching Chinese to American students

- 7) Secondary school Chinese classrooms and AP Chinese in US
- 8) Comparative studies among HSK, TOFEL, and AP Chinese Test
- 9) Sino-American cultural differences in relation to Chinese language teaching and learning
- 10) Application of educational technology in Chinese language instruction
- 11) Researches on Chinese language acquisition and pedagogical development in TCSL

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