

- Development of BC courses for a special purpose
- Materials development for BC courses
- Innovative approaches in BC instruction
- Technological BC applications
- BC programs abroad
- General LSP theories and practice

An abstract up to 400 words, in English or Chinese, should be submitted via e-mail by November 26, 2009 to the workshop address (2010BCworkshop@umich.edu). Decisions on acceptance will be made and announced by January 7, 2010. Registration will begin in January and run up to the date of the workshop. Each presenter will receive an honorarium of \$250.

CIBE will cover hotel costs (two nights, one room), meals, materials, and ground transportation in Ann Arbor up to a total of 40 participants. Participants will be responsible for transportation to and from Ann Arbor, as well as any additional expenses.

For updated information, please check the CIBE website (<http://www.umich.edu/~cibe>) or contact the workshop e-mail address.

免費「華語電腦寫作練習平台」 歡迎華語學習者上網練習

「國家華語測驗推動工作委員會」計畫於2010年正式推出華語文寫作能力測驗（Test Of Proficiency-Huayu : Writing，簡稱TOP Writing），為服務廣大華語學習者，華測會將於即日起開放「華語電腦寫作練習平台」，歡迎母語非華語且對電腦寫作有興趣之華語學習者免費上網練習。

「華語電腦寫作練習平台」適合三個等級的華語學習者：基礎級、進階級、高階級，有興趣的華語學習者需先申請帳號，並具備電腦打字的能力（可以選擇注音符號或漢語拼音輸入法），每篇完成的文章將由專業的華語教師線上批改，並給予最實用的寫作建議。

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NEWS OF THE FIELD

The 2009 Chinese Language Teachers Association of Greater New York annual conference and the 7th New York International Conference on Chinese Language Teaching was held at Seton Hall University on May 16.

More than 200 Chinese language teaching professionals, teachers, scholars, and administrators gathered together to discuss how to promote Chinese language teaching, exchange research results and teaching experience and views on Chinese language instruction. Over 70 speakers presented at 17 panels. There were

also two workshops on Chinese Teacher Certifications and technology. The presenters are from Great New York area, and also from many universities and schools from other states and from 6 different countries and regions. About a dozen vendors displayed their products and books. Most of the presenters are teachers at different levels. Many administrators also delivered papers on setting up Chinese programs and management issues. The school district of Philadelphia organized two panels. It is the first time that the conference even attracted monks and nuns from a local Buddhist Chinese schools to attend. After a whole day's busy work, 125 participants attended the social event in the evening, had dinner together to meet old friends and make new ones.