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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2015 has been a challenging but successful year for APACALL. We were able to have another great GLoCALL conference and keep working on TELLRN projects. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has actively engaged with various APACALL activities. I wish you all the best and look forward to working with you again in 2016.

Jeong-Bae Son
President

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NEWS FROM THE MEMBERS (January – December 2015)

► **Publication**

□ Webster, T. E., & Son, J.-B. (2015). Doing what works: A grounded theory case study of technology use by teachers of English at a Korean university. *Computers & Education*, 80, 84-94.

► **Conference Presentations**

○ Crawford, M. (2015, November). Publisher created learning management systems for ESL/EFL: Overview and evaluation. Paper presented at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.

○ Nozawa, K. (2015, November). Is a speed reading application useful and effective to improve reading? – An application tryout with iPads in a university EFL reading & writing class. Paper presented at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.

○ Park, M., & Mozgovoy, M. (2015, November). Enhancing mobile-assisted English grammar learning through usability testing. Paper presented at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.

○ Son, J.-B. (2015, March). Selecting and evaluating mobile apps for learning ESL/EFL. Paper presented at the TESOL 2015 International Convention & English Language Expo, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, Canada.

- Son, J.-B. (2015, November). Computer-assisted language learning: A reality check. Plenary speech at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.
- Son, J.-B., & Kim, M. (2015, October). Learner training in digital language learning for pre-service interpreters and translators. Paper presented at the 2015 International Conference on Deep Languages Education Policy and Practices, Ipswich Campus, University of Southern Queensland, Ipswich, Australia.
- Son, J.-B., & Park, S.-S. (2015, November). Digital literacy: EAP students' awareness and use of digital technologies. Paper presented at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.
- Webster, T. E. (2015, November). The smartphone dilemma: The need for real engagement with technology in education. Paper presented at the Globalization and Localization in CALL (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference, Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea.

► **Movement**

◇ Steve McCarty stepped down as a full professor in Japan in April 2015. He has continued teaching, part-time, at Osaka Jogakuin University (Presentation, Intercultural Communication, 1st year Writing, and Communication Strategies); and Kansai University Division of International Affairs (Japanese Computerization and Society – to foreign exchange and Japanese students). From April 2016, he will continue at those two and change from a third university in Kyoto Prefecture in 2015 to the Graduate School of Information Technology, Kobe Institute of Computing in 2016, teaching Academic Writing, etc., to government scholarship recipients from Africa, South Asia, and Afghanistan. He will also continue to lecture for the government (Japan International Cooperation Agency), introducing Japan to government delegations from developing and emerging countries.



STORY OF INTEREST

A promising development for distance education based in Africa

By Steve McCarty

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CONFERENCE REPORT

GLoCALL 2015

<http://glocall.org/>

12-14 November 2015

Pai Chai University, Daejeon, Korea

The Globalization and Localization in Computer-Assisted Language Learning (GLoCALL) 2015 Conference was held in Daejeon from 12 to 14 November 2015. It was the ninth joint conference of the Asia-Pacific Association for Computer-Assisted Language Learning (APACALL) and the Pacific Association for Computer Assisted Language Learning (PacCALL), which was organized in collaboration with the Korea Association of Multimedia-Assisted Language Learning (KAMALL). There were over 200 delegates who came from Australia, Canada, China, Finland, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand, UK, USA and South Korea. The conference was a great success and provided conference participants with meaningful opportunities to explore CALL pedagogies and technologies and expand their personal and professional networks.



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FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

◆ JALTCALL 2016: 3-5 June 2016. Tokyo, Japan.

<http://jaltcall.org/>

◆ GLoCALL 2016: 17-19 November 2016. Istanbul, Turkey.

<http://glocall.org/>

TELLRN

The Technology-Enhanced Language Learning Research Network (TELLRN) conducts and disseminates research on the ways in which digital technologies can improve learning opportunities and educational outcomes for language learners and teachers. APACALL members who are interested in the use of digital technologies and are willing to participate in collaborative research projects are welcome to join the TELLRN research team. If you have an idea or a proposal for a research collaboration, please contact the Director with details: <http://www.apacall.org/tellrn/>



ADDITIONAL NOTES

- Members are invited to send APACALL Webmaster their names and personal homepage addresses to be listed on the 'Resources' page of the APACALL web site.
- Your contributions to this newsletter are always welcome. Please send your news items to Webmaster@apacall.org.

