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The University of Hawai‘i National Foreign Language Resource Center engages in research and materials development projects and conducts workshops and conferences for language professionals among its many activities.

### 4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE DOCUMENTATION & CONSERVATION (ICLDC)

**February 26-March 1, 2015 • Honolulu, HI**

The Department of Linguistics and the National Foreign Language Resource Center at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa are pleased to host the 4<sup>th</sup> ICLDC. The conference program will feature two keynote talks, an integrated series of Master Class workshops, and four Special Sessions on Pedagogy in Language Conservation. An optional Hilo Field Study (on the Big Island of Hawai‘i) to visit Hawaiian language revitalization programs in action will immediately follow the conference (March 2-3).

The theme of the 4th ICLDC, “Enriching Theory, Practice, and Application,” highlights the need to strengthen the links between language documentation (practice), deep understanding of grammatical structure (theory), and methods for teaching endangered languages (application). At this conference, we intend to focus on language documentation as the investigation of grammar and linguistic structure, on the one hand, and the development of that investigation into sound pedagogy for endangered languages, on the other.

We aim to build on the strong momentum created by the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd ICLDCs to discuss research and revitalization approaches yielding rich records that can benefit both the field of language documentation and speech communities. We hope you will join us.

Call for Proposals deadlines are May 31, 2014 (Special Sessions on Pedagogy in Language Conservation) and August 31, 2014 (general papers, posters, and electronic posters). See the conference website for more information: <http://icldc4.icldc-hawaii.org>

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## NEW NFLRC PUBLICATIONS



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***Reading in a Foreign Language*** is a refereed international journal of issues in foreign language reading and literacy, published twice yearly on the World Wide Web and sponsored by NFLRC and the University of Hawai'i College of Languages, Linguistics, and Literature.

## Michigan State University Center for Language Education and Research (CLEAR)



CLEAR's mission is to promote the teaching and learning of foreign languages in the United States. Projects focus on materials development, professional development training, and foreign language research.

### GRANT COMPETITION

CLEAR completed its fifth funding cycle in August 2014. We submitted a new proposal for the 2014–18 funding competition in July, along with many other fine institutions and centers. We anticipate hearing this fall about funding decisions for the upcoming cycle and hope that we will have the opportunity to continue serving the language education community for another four years.

### CONFERENCES

CLEAR exhibits at local and national conferences year-round. We enjoyed seeing many of you at the annual conference of the Computer-Assisted Language Instruction Consortium (CALICO) in Athens, Ohio this spring, and look forward to seeing even more in San Antonio for the ACTFL conference in November. Please stop by our booth to say hello!

### BETA TESTERS NEEDED

In the coming months, we plan to launch a newly designed RIA home page with improved user interface and documentation. If you are interested in helping us beta test the new environment and provide feedback, we would love to hear from you. Please email [clear@msu.edu](mailto:clear@msu.edu) and let us know if you're willing to be a technology guinea pig!

### NEWSLETTER

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