

Assessing & Advancing Academic English in International Graduate Students



SETESOL 2008 Higher Education Roundtable

Friday, September 26, 2008, Birmingham, Ala.

Moderators: Grace Canseco (Emory University) and Jennifer Greer (UAB)

9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Panel Discussion: Issues in Graduate Level Testing

- **Grace Canseco**, Emory University
- **Susie Olmstead-Wang**, President, Paradox Consulting
- **Nancy Abney**, University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)

9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Questions and Answers

9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Panel Discussion: Writing Assessments & Support Courses

- **Peggy Wagner**, Emory University
- **Susie Olmstead-Wang**, President, Paradox Consulting
- **Jennifer Greer**, University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)

10:45 to 11 a.m. Questions and Answers

11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Panel Discussion: Oral Language Assessments & Support Courses

- **Nancy Abney**, University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)
- **Alan Forsyth and Peggy Wagner**, Emory University

- **Susie Olmstead-Wang**, President, Paradox Consulting

11:30 to 11:45 a.m. Questions and Answers

11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. VISIT THE BOOK FAIR & ENJOY LUNCH

2 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. Discussion Groups on Classroom Practices

- Group A: Teaching Oral English to Graduate Students:
- Facilitators: **Alan Forsyth, Heather Boldt & Grace Song, Emory; Alan Corbin, UAB**

- Group B: Teaching Academic Writing to Graduate Students
- Facilitators: **Grace Canseco, Susie Olmstead-Wang and Jennifer Greer**

- Group C: Preparing International Teaching Assistants
- Facilitators: **Nancy Abney (UAB); Peggy Wagner, Emory; Lucy Pickering, Georgia State University; Bill Merriman, University of Alabama**

3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Repeat: Discussion Groups on Classroom Practices

Bringing together leading instructors in the field for strategic sharing, reflection and analysis, the 2008 SE-TESOL Higher Education Roundtable was sponsored by Emory University and the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). Email suggestions for future symposia to Jennifer Greer at jlgreer1@uab.edu