

16TH INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION, LANGUAGE, AND LITERATURE



TIME	CONFERENCE PROGRAM
09:00 – 09:55	REGISTRATION
10:00-10:20 CONFERENCE HALL	WELCOMING SPEECHES
CONFERENCE HALL	KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS
10:20 – 11:00	Three Proposals for the Effective and Ethical Use of AI in the Teaching and Learning of English in Georgian Universities and Schools Edward R. Raupp Gori State University Georgia
11:00-11:40	Embodied Learning: Lessons from the Gym and Beyond Katie Rose Hejtmanek Brooklyn College CUNY U.S. Embassy
11:40 – 12:10 (Online)	Are You AI-Ready? Preparing Faculty for the New Era of Teaching and Learning Treyton Williams University of North Dakota USA
12:10 – 12:15	Lottery Presentation ENGLISH BOOK EDUCATION
PARALLEL WORKSHOPS/PANEL DISCUSSION*	
12:15 – 13:00 CONFERENCE HALL	Teaching in the Age of Innovation: “Empowering Educators Through Emerging Technologies” Michael Vessio English Language Fellow U.S. Embassy Registration Link
12:15 – 13:00 ROOM 1- B101	Practical Tips for Meeting the Challenges of AI in the Classroom Judith Elliot Former English Language Fellow USA Registration Link
12:15 – 13:00 LIBRARY SPACE	From Draft to Defense: MA and PhD Supervisors in Conversation Panel Discussion Natela Doghonadze International Black Sea University Georgia Registration Link
* Please note that advance registration is required for all parallel workshops/panel discussions. Places are limited, so we kindly ask participants to register in advance using the registration links provided in the program to secure their spot.	
13:00 – 13:20	COFFEE BREAK
PARALLEL WORKSHOPS/PANEL DISCUSSION*	
13:20 – 14:00 CONFERENCE HALL	AI in the Language Classroom: Ethics, Responsibility, and Pedagogical Design Nikoloz Parjanadze European University Registration Link
13:20 – 14:00 ROOM 1- B101	Movies in English in Tbilisi: Who Watches Them and Why? Lana Kulik Fulbright Scholar U.S. Embassy Registration Link
13:20 – 14:00 LIBRARY SPACE	Dialogue on the Role of a Language Instructor in a Media-Rich World Anna Westwig Hannah Ray ETA U.S. Embassy Registration Link
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CONFERENCE HALL	PRESENTATIONS
14:05-14:35 (Online)	Studying Language Change In the AI Era: Will ChatGPT or a Language Corpus Win the Game? Jarosław Krajka Maria Curie-Skłodowska University Poland
14:35-14:55	How to Watch a Movie: Film Literacy Session

	Lana Kulik Fulbright Scholar U.S. Embassy
14:55- 15:15	Use of Artificial Intelligence in Science: The Universal Language of Coding Blair Turner Fullbright Scholar U.S. Embassy
15:15-15:55	LUNCH BREAK
16:00-18:15	PARALLEL SESSIONS
INNOVATIONS IN EDUCATION	
CONFERENCE HALL	Chairperson- Tamar Mikeladze
16:00 – 16:15	New Reality for Academic Integrity in the Era of Artificial Intelligence Ekaterine Pipia
16:15 – 16:30	Mapping AI Research in Georgian Education: A Developmental Framework Tamar Mikeladze
16:30 – 16:45	Customized Professional Development for Educators: One-On-One Mentoring as a Model for Sustainable Pedagogical Change Lavi Sigman
16:45 – 17:00	Reconstructing Assessment Systems in Higher Education: Safeguarding the Validity of Learning Outcomes in the Presence of Generative AI Nino Gatchava Davit Burjanadze
17:00 – 17:15	Teachers' Perceptions of the Impact of Emotional Intelligence on Students' Performance in AI-Enhanced Classrooms: The Case of Georgian Public Schools Mariam Kruashvili
17:15 – 17:30	The Approaches to the Integration of Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education Institutions Policy (The case of Georgian HEIs) Ann Gvritishvili Tinatin Kharshiladze
17:30 – 17:45	Reconceptualizing Entrepreneurship Education in Schools: A 21st Century Competency Framework Natali Amiranashvili
17:45-18:00	Redefining Pedagogical Frameworks through Human-Centric AI: Strategic Insights from the Georgian Higher Education Sector Nino Karkadze
18:00-18:15	From Theory to Practice: Implementing IB Pedagogical Approaches in a European School Salome Sukhiashvili
EDUCATION	
LIBRARY SPACE	Chairperson- Lela Abdushelishvili
16:00 – 16:15	Inclusion of Students with Intellectual Disability in Primary Schools – Bridging the Gap Between Policy and Practice Mariam Matcharashvili
16:15 – 16:30	Understanding What Drives Youth Toward STEM: a Systematic Mapping of Influencing Factors Ani Kalandia
16:30 – 16:45	The Importance of Critical Awareness of Manipulative Communication in Education Valeria Purtseladze
16:45 – 17:00	Enhancing Social-Emotional Learning and Positive Development of Students Lela Abdushelishvili
17:00 – 17:15	The Selection Process of Public School Principals in Georgia: Institutional Barriers and the Dynamics of Power within Decision-Making Authorities Tamari Samsonidze
17:15 – 17:30	The Integration of AI Into Second Language (L2) Education Ekaterine Topuria
17:30 – 17:45	The Right to Education of Convicted Persons Tinatin Sudadze
17:45-18:00	Reframing Sustainability and Environmental Education as a Security Imperative: Integrating Climate Risk, Resilience, and Policy Literacy in Contemporary Learning Systems Foster Nyasha
18:00-18:15	Christophore Guramishvili's Pedagogy and Its Parallels with Basil the Great and Contemporary Education Grigol Bendeliani

EDUCATION & LANGUAGE	
ROOM 1 – B101	Chairperson- Elif Erguvan
16:00 – 16:15	How Informal Extracurricular STEAM Program May Support Teacher School-based Continuous Professional Development: Nationwide Pilot Findings Khatia Tsiramua Jeffrey A. Nowak
16:15 – 16:30	Thinking or Outsourcing? Cognitive Offloading in AI-Assisted Language Learning and Its Implications for Learner Autonomy Elif Erguvan
16:30 – 16:45	Personality Development Through the Big Five Model: The Role of Parenting, Self-Perception, and Upbringing Styles Nana Aleksidze
16:45 – 17:00	AI in Teaching: From Lesson Planning to Reflection Nino Maisuradze Nino Maisuradze
17:00 – 17:15	Beyond the Classroom: Motivating Learners through Experiential and Interdisciplinary ELT Practices Tatia Mardalishvili Sopiko Tskhelishvili Nino Kashia
17:15 – 17:30	AI Challenging Academic Integrity in Education Mariam Datukishvili
17:30 – 17:45	Biblically Derived Gendered Phraseological Units in English and Georgian: A Lexicographic Perspective Diana Nemsitsveridze
17:45-18:00	Shaping Tourist Experience Through Metaphor and Zeugma: Evidence from Web-based Promotional Discourse and Implications for ESL Teaching Nazi Iritspukhova
18:00-18:15	More Than English: Perspectives From Higher Education Staff Members in Poland And Georgia Nana Akofyani
ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING	
ROOM 2- B103	Chairperson- Eliza Kintsurashvili
16:00 – 16:15	Rethinking Presentation Assessment in Higher Education: Student Attitudes, AI Use, and Evaluation Criteria Maia Kutateladze
16:15 – 16:30	Enhancing University Students' Writing Skills Through Peer and Self-Editing In the Era of Artificial Intelligence Ana Chankvetadze
16:30 – 16:45	Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Education Eliza Kintsurashvili
16:45 – 17:00	High School Teachers' Readiness to Integrate AI-Based Reading Tools into English as a Foreign Language Classroom Practice Tamar Tarashvili
17:00 – 17:15	AI in English Language Teaching and Learning: Opportunities and Applications Mariam Yasinskaya
17:15 – 17:30	Humanoid Robots in the Teaching Process: Assistance or Replacements? Ketevan Khmaladze
17:30 – 17:45	Can AI Turn 'Me' into 'We'? Guranda Khabeishvili
17:45-18:00	AI-Assisted Feedback and Assessment in IELTS Speaking: Exploring AI as a Simulated Examiner Nato Pachuashvili
18:00-18:15	EFL Teachers' Use and Perceptions of Artificial Intelligence in Education: A Comparative Study of State and Private Schools in Georgia Meri Iobidze Ekaterine Archvadze
ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING	
ROOM 3 – B105	Chairperson- Elena Tsatsua
16:00 – 16:15	Advancing Oral Proficiency in Maritime English via Guided Classroom Activities and AI Interaction Tamari Dolidze Natia Vasadze John R. Jordan Natela Doghonadze
16:15 – 16:30	English Beyond Borders: Ethnography of Communication in Practice Through ELF and Dell Hymes' SPEAKING Model Elena Tsatsua
16:30 – 16:45	Challenges of Online Teaching and Effective Methods Pikria Toria Natia Gabedava

16:45 – 17:00	The Discovery Learning Approach to Language Teaching Nino Tsulaia
17:00 – 17:15	Teaching Pragmatic English to Psychology Students through Layered Task Chains and Character AI Mari Makharashvili June Ruivivar
17:15 – 17:30	English as a Foreign Language (EFL) Writing in the Age of AI: A Questionnaire-Based Study of Frequency, Functions, and Practices of ChatGPT Use among Georgian EFL University Students Tamari Gurgenishvili
17:30 – 17:45	Artificial Intelligence as a Tool for Inclusive English Language Teaching: Bridging Theory and Classroom Practice Maka Sikharulidze
17:45-18:00	Learner Readiness vs. Actual Participation in EFL Speaking Tata Gulua
18:00-18:15	From Rules to Navigation: A Cognitive-Metaphorical Model for Tense Instruction in ELT Tinatin Dadianidze

LINGUISTICS & TRANSLATION STUDIES

ROOM 4 – B107	Chairperson- Inga Tkemaladze
16:00 – 16:15	From Sound to Symbol: A Cognitive and Multimodal Semiotic Analysis of Onomatopoeia in the English and Georgian Languages Nino Kemertelidze Meri Giorgadze
16:15 – 16:30	Backchannel Signals during Classroom Presentations: Perspectives of Georgian, Armenian, and Azerbaijani Students Mariam Nebieridze
16:30 – 16:45	The Importance of Teaching Phonetics and Pronunciation in ELT and the Most Effective Strategies Applied in the Classroom Tamar Tskhvitava
16:45 – 17:00	The Challenges of Transferring Regional Language Features and Cultural Identity in the Indirect Translation of Nodar Dumbadze's Granny, Iliko, Ilaraon And I Ketevan Dogonadze Nino Nijaradze Maia Alavidze
17:00 – 17:15	The Effects of Historical and Cultural Changes on Georgian Translations of J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye Tamara Kobeshavidze
17:15 – 17:30	The Art of Taming the Untranslatable: Linguistic and Cultural Mediation in the English Translation of Saint-Exupéry's "The Little Prince" Inga Tkemaladze Ekaterine Archvadze
17:30 – 17:45	Translating the Terminology of Academic Discourse in Institutional Contexts: Challenges for AI and Human Translators Maia Alavidze Zinaida Chachanidze
17:45-18:00	Building Intercultural Competence Beyond the Classroom Rusudan Lomtadze
18:00-18:15	Nino Kuratishvili Between Objectivity and Subjectivity: A Discourse-Analytical Study of Evaluation in Wine Tasting Language

LITERATURE, & LINGUISTICS

ROOM 5 – B109	Chairperson- Mariam Merkviladze
16:00 – 16:15	Beyond The Threshold: Liminal Space And Heroic Transformation In Neil Haiman's Coraline Mariam Merkviladze
16:15 – 16:30	The Short Story And The Paradox Of Genre Legitimation In American Literary Criticism Tamta Kalichava Tamar Kalichava
16:30 – 16:45	Colossus As A Powerful Symbol of A Deceased Father In Sylvia Plath's Eponymous Poem "The Colossus." Marina Zoranyan
16:45 – 17:00	Women's Lives From Jane Austen to Sarah Waters: A Comparative Literary Study Mariam Kiladze
17:00 – 17:15	Lyrical Voice of Femininity in Nineteenth-Century British Female Poetry Elizaveta Kavtaradze
17:15 – 17:30	Living Latin: Its Hidden Power in English Vocabulary and Style Mariam Nemsadze

17:30 – 17:45	Learning to Sound English: Sociophonetic Awareness in Georgian EFL Learners: Levels of Perception and Phonetic Manifestation Nino Jojua
17:45-18:00	The Other in James Joyce's Ulysses Lasha Chakhvadze Nona Chanturia
18:00-18:15	From Biblical Warrior to Seductress: Gender, Body, and Cultural Reconstruction of Yael in the Babylonian Talmud and its Zoroastrian Context Liat Mandelbaum
EDUCATION & LANGUAGE	
ROOM 6– B111	Chairperson- Mariam Kuchava
16:00 – 16:15	Reconceptualizing Research Paper Writing in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Opportunities, Risks, and Implications for Academic Integrity Mariam Kuchava
16:15 – 16:30	Results of IT Reskilling: A Case Study of GITA's "5000 IT Specialists" Project Ana Jebirashvili Ekaterine Oshkhereli
16:30 – 16:45	Challenges of Implementing Integrated Vocational Education Programs in Georgia: A Case Study of Vocational Education Institutions Mariami Karkashadze
16:45 – 17:00	Systemic Implementation of Climate Change Education: Teachers' Perceptions and Moderating Mechanisms Sophie Shauli
17:00 – 17:15	AI-Mediated Professionalism: Bridging the Authenticity Gap between "Street Talk" and Business Pragmatics through Generative Simulations Nino Narindoshvili
17:15 – 17:30	Inclusive Education in Practice: Challenges, Parental Engagement, and Support Strategies for Students with Special Educational Needs Natia Tevdoradze
17:30 – 17:45	From Textbook to the World: Building Cross-Cultural Competence Through International Classroom Connections Lana Chkhartishvili
17:45-18:00	Pedagogical Views and Methods of Dimitri Uznadze Ani Datunashvili
18:00-18:15	Identifying Linguistic and Psychological Barriers in Oral Communication: A Case Study of University Students via Mini World Café Gulnara Janova Maka Murvanidze
18:15-18:30	CLOSING CEREMONY- LOTTERY

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Room	Floor / Location	Paralel Session Title	Chairperson
Conference Hall	Block B, Floor 3	Innovations in Education	Tamar Mikeladze
Library Space	Block B, Floor 4	Education	Lela Abdushelishvili
Room 1 – B101	Block B, Floor 1	Education & Language	Elif Erguvan
Room 2 – B103	Block B, Floor 1	English Language Teaching	Eliza Kintsurashvili
Room 3 – B105	Block B, Floor 1	English Language Teaching	Elena Tsatsua
Room 4 – B107	Block B, Floor 1	Linguistics & Translation Studies	Inga Tkemaladze
Room 5 – B109	Block B, Floor 1	Literature & Linguistics	Mariam Merkviladze
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