



Specialised Seminar

Bringing into Being:

Multimodality and Cognition in Interaction

University of Nottingham Ningbo China

24-25 June 2017

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Sunday 24 June: Pre-Seminar Workshop

Venue: New International Conference Centre

Registration (1.30-6pm)

Workshop: Language and Cognition Multimodally in Interaction: Tools, Methods, and Concepts

Topics to be addressed include the form, organization and function of gesture in interaction; recurrency in language and gesture; multimodal aspects of grammar; gesture and cognition; studying face-to-face spoken discourse in multimodal corpora.

- 2-3pm Session 1 *Methods of Gesture Analysis: Towards a Grammar of Gesture*
Cornelia Müller (Europa-Universität Viadrina – Oder)
- 3-4pm Session 2 *Studying Linguistic Concepts Multimodally: The Case of Negation*
Simon Harrison (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)
- 4-5pm Session 3 *Thinking by Gesture: Exploring Gesture in Environments of English for Academic Purposes*
Michael Paul Stevens (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)
- 5.15pm Cocktail Reception (*Arabika*, UNNC)

Monday 25 June: Specialised Seminar

Venue: New International Conference Centre

9-9.30 Registration

Welcome: Lixian Jin (Chair Professor, Head of School of English)

9.30 – 10.30 **KEYNOTE: Cornelia Müller**

Chair Professor for Language Use and Multimodal Communication
(Europa-Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt – Oder)

The temporality of multimodal meaning-making

Panel 1: Cognitive and Discursive Functions of Multimodality in Interaction (10.40-12.20)

10.40 Metaphoric gestures in the referring to abstract concepts in Chinese

Danping Wu (Zhejiang University)

11.05 Asserting epistemic rights with hands: the use of open hand oblique in a Japanese female politician's speech

Keiko Tsuchiya (Yokohama City University)

11.30 Can multimodal analysis help clarify the pragmatic meanings of the Spanish marker 'se'?

Renia Lopez (Hong Kong Polytechnic University)

11.55 The manual signs and grammatical facial expressions in Chinese Sign Language conditionals

Mengjie Xu, Fang Fang, Gang Chen, Xiaobo Hu, Pei Li, Junfei Liu, Yiming Yang
(Jiangsu Normal University)

12.20 – 1.30 Lunch

Panel 2: Multimodality In and With Technological Environments (1.30-2.45)

1.30 The role of visuals in discourse and human interactions

Wei Yong-Kang (University of Texas RGV)

1.55 Memes' interpretation from Mexican citizens: A quantitative pragmatic study of their effectiveness

Jose Alfredo Jimenez Lopez (Benemerita Universidad Autonoma De Puebla)

2.20 Observing the human-machine cultural interfaces: methodological and analytics issues of a situated knowledge

Eugénie Duthoit (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)

Giovannipaolo Ferrari (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)

2.45-3.00 Coffee/Tea break

Panel 3: Teaching and Learning Multimodally (3.00-4.45)

3.00. Teacher questioning strategies and effects in highly interactive vs. monologic university lectures

Yili Shi (Missouri State University)

Ziyun Chen (Missouri State University)

3.25 Dancing K-Pop with Coffee: Ecological interaction during a Language Related Episode

Simon Harrison (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)

David H. Fleming (University of Stirling)

Yu-Hua Chen (University of Nottingham Ningbo China)

3.50 Gesture in Second and Foreign Language Development: A Scale Development of Gesture Awareness and Use

Lixian Tian (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)

Jiaopin Ren (Xin Lian College Henan Normal University)

Yanyan Huang (New Oriental Education & Technology Group Inc.)

4.15 Narrative Referencing Ability of Chinese Children with Autism from a Multimodal Perspective

Yanhua Cheng (Zhejiang University)

4.50 – 5.50 KEYNOTE: Thomas Wiben Jensen

Associate Professor, Department of Language and Communication
University of Southern Denmark

The inter-bodily affordances for emotional and cognitive change in psychotherapy

5.50 – 6 Closing remarks: Geoff Hall (Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences)

6pm Departure for Conference Dinner

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Local Organising Committee (School of English, UNNC)

- Chair: Simon Harrison
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- Dan Shi
- Michael Paul Stevens
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