Call for papers – 11th High Desert Linguistics Society (HDLS) Conference:  
*Cognition, Culture and Discourse in signed, spoken, and indigenous languages*  
with a special emphasis this year on *Language Evolution and Grammaticalization*  

University of New Mexico  
November 13-15, 2014

**Keynote speakers:**

- Joan Bybee – University of New Mexico (Morphology, Typology, and Phonology)  
- Salikoko Mufwene – University of Chicago (Language Evolution & Creolization)  
- Carol Padden – UC San Diego (Signed Language Morphology and Syntax)

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We invite proposals for talks or poster presentations at the 11th HDLS Conference (see guidelines below). General presentations will be 20 minutes followed by 10 minutes for questions. We welcome research that takes into account *functional, usage-based approaches* to language including but not limited to:

- Cognitive linguistics  
- Discourse analysis  
- Linguistic typology  
- Gesture and signed languages  
- Indigenous language endangerment, revitalization, and description  
- Sociolinguistics and bilingualism  
- Language change & variation

Finally, we also invite speakers to propose *themed panels*, which will consist of three presenters. Each presenter will be responsible for a 20-minute presentation, for a combined total of 60-minutes per panel, followed by 30 minutes for discussion and questions addressed to the panel. Speakers who propose a panel topic are responsible for arranging who will participate in the proposed panel. Only one abstract should be submitted per topic. The abstract should include the
proposed panel topic (300-word abstract), and how each speaker will contribute to the proposed theme (500-word abstract each).

Abstract guidelines:

General
We will only accept one abstract as a single author and a second as a co-author of a joint presentation.

Length
Maximum 500 words, not including references. A second page may include examples, charts/diagrams, and references. Times New Roman, 12-point font is preferred.

Format
Include the paper title and the text of the abstract. The abstract should not include the author’s name or affiliation. All abstracts will be reviewed anonymously.

Deadline
Friday, August 15th, 2014
Authors will be notified by Monday, September 8th, 2014 as to whether their papers have been accepted.

How to submit
Please submit abstracts in either .doc, .pdf, .txt, or .odt format at the following url:


You will be asked to indicate whether you want to be considered for an oral presentation, poster, either poster or presentation, or a themed panel. You should be notified soon thereafter if we have received your submission.

For more information about the conference, please see our website at http://linggraduate.unm.edu/