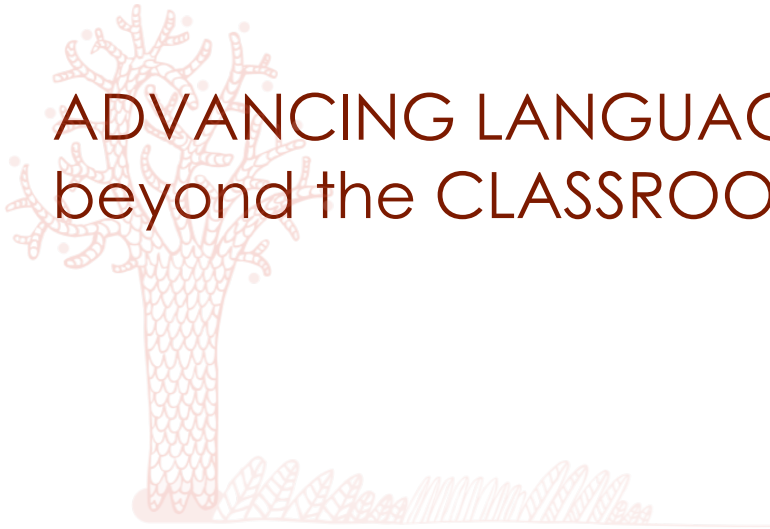


ADVANCING LANGUAGE EDUCATION beyond the CLASSROOM



Friday, December 7, 2012

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

David Rittenhouse Laboratories, PC Lab 1

209 S. 33rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

and Fisher-Bennett Hall, Room 138

3340 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

OPTIONAL WORKSHOP: A WORKING MODEL for LIVE ONLINE LANGUAGE COURSES

This workshop will demonstrate the affordances of social media and networks for teaching live online language courses. The model for the workshop will be online courses for Elementary German that have been taught at the University of Pennsylvania since 2010.

Like their face-to-face counterparts, the online courses are grounded on the principles of communicative language teaching and learning but clearly reveal the potential of communicative language teaching to maximize participation, promote learner autonomy and influence student outcomes when applied to collaborative online learning spaces.

This workshop will explain the pedagogy and technology behind the online courses, outline their relationship to the face-to-face classroom, and describe how student interactions are key to the learning process. It will consider the importance of electronic and digital literacy in the growth of new methodologies, materials development, assessment, articulation, intercultural competence, and student progress. Participants will walk away with a model and strategies that can be adapted for different languages and institutional contexts.

For questions about this workshop or about Saturday's symposium, please email Ed Dixon at edixon@sas.upenn.edu.

Please visit <http://plc.sas.upenn.edu/event/symposium> to register.

