



FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

Cutting Edges: Discourse, Context and Language Education

*A conference for those researching and working
in the fields of TESOL, modern languages, culture and education*

June 25th, 26th and 27th 2009

Department of English and Language Studies

**Canterbury Christ Church University
Canterbury, England**

Invited Speakers:

David Crystal, OBE, Freelance author and broadcaster

Guy Cook, Open University

Elite Olshtain, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Michael Swan, Freelance ELT author

Stephen Bax, Canterbury Christ Church University

We invite papers which address 'cutting edge' thinking and research in the following areas broadly related to the conference theme:

- Researching discourse and context in language education
- Implications for the classroom
- Researching classroom discourse
- Critical approaches to materials, task design, evaluation and use
- Discourse in teacher education
- On-line discourse

Papers will be 20 minutes plus ten minutes for discussion.

Please email your name, affiliation, title, plus an abstract of 150 words to: Cutting Edges at cuttingedges@canterbury.ac.uk. Please indicate if you wish your paper to be considered for inclusion in the pre-conference event on 25th June under the theme of on-line discourse.

Deadline for abstracts: Friday March 6th, 2009

Further details about conference fees and accommodation (available on campus) will be forthcoming but every attempt will be made to keep costs at a reasonable level.

We hope to create an atmosphere of stimulating discussion and debate in a convivial, intellectual environment – a summer weekend of challenging talk in the historic city of Canterbury with easy access to both London and Europe!