



Call for Papers

AULC Annual Conference 2027 - Keele University

Languages for the Future: Transforming Language Learning for Employability and Global Engagement through Scholarship, Practice and Collaboration

Conference Dates: 7–8 January 2027

Location: Keele University (Staffordshire, ST5 5BG), with hybrid attendance available. To facilitate discussion and networking opportunities, presenters are encouraged to attend and deliver their presentations in person where possible.

Submission Deadline: 15 October 2026

Notification of acceptance: by 2 November 2026

Registration: 15 October – 18 December 2026

The Language Centre at Keele University is delighted to host the 28th AULC Annual Conference 2027. We invite teachers, researchers, managers, educational developers, doctoral students, and practitioners to submit a proposal for presentations, workshops, and panels, to our upcoming conference.

Under the theme “*Languages for the Future: Transforming Language Learning for Employability and Global Engagement through Scholarship, Practice and Collaboration*”, the conference aims to explore how language education can respond to the opportunities and challenges of a rapidly changing world. We welcome contributions showcasing scholarship, innovation and effective practice in language teaching, learning, assessment, curriculum design, professional development and community engagement.

Proposals may address, but are not limited to, the following conference strands:

- **Multilingualism, Interculturality, Global Citizenship and Employability**
- **AI, Technology and Language Learning in a Post-Digital Society**
- **Inclusion, Equity and Access in Language Education**

- **Research-Informed Teaching, Learning and Assessment**
- **Professional Practice and Teacher Development**
- **Innovative Approaches to Grammar and Vocabulary Instruction**
- **Communities of Practice, Partnerships and Community Engagement**

We invite proposals for:

- **Individual Presentations:** 15-minute presentations followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussion
- **Panel Discussions:** 90-minute panels consisting of 4-5 presenters
- **Workshops:** 60-minute interactive sessions focusing on practical applications or teaching demonstrations

Presentations can be delivered in English, BSL/ISL or other languages provided that AULC's plurilingual presentations guidelines are followed. Presentations for AULC SIGs are welcome.

Please note that all presenters, including co-authors listed in accepted submissions, are required to register for the conference and pay the applicable registration fee.

To submit a proposal, please complete this online form: [AULC 2027 Conference Proposal Submission – Fill out form](#)

Please submit an abstract in English (300 words) describing your proposed presentation, panel, or workshop, including the following information:

- Title of your paper or workshop
- A brief description of the content, objectives and methodology of the proposal
- A statement on how your work connects to the conference themes
- The language of delivery

You will also be requested to submit a short biography (150 words) of the presenter(s).

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