

Master classes

21 September 2010: Master class with Professor Alastair Pennycook University of Technology, Sydney

A plurality of multilingualisms

In this paper Professor Pennycook explored the need not only to look at the diversity of languages implied by the label 'multilingualism' but also the need to account for the diversity of multilingualisms that result from a serious engagement with contexts and uses of language. Several different perspectives drive this move. The question is whether multilingualism is best understood as a singular or plural concept, whether the plurality contained in the 'multi' captures diversity of language use. A proliferation of new terminology seeking to capture the idea of plurality within a singular entity (diversity is taken as a given) while also emphasizing the idea of language as activity, has recently been put forward, including translanguaging, plurilinguaging, polylingualism, metrolingualism, urbilingualism, and multilingua franca. This plurality of ways of looking at language diversity was discussed and evaluated.

2 May 2012: Master class with Professor Monica Heller, University of Toronto, Canada

Mobility, multilingualism and methods: sociolinguistic ethnography in the globalized new economy

This Master Class was organised as part of an advanced research training project on Researching multilingualism, multilingualism in research practice.

The class was from 2 - 4.30pm and was followed by a reception and book launch from 5 - 7 pm.

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