



The 11th International Conference on Applicable Linguistics First call for abstracts

Conference theme: 'RE/APPRAISAL: evolving the study of evaluation'

Conference dates: 27–29 November 2026

This year's annual Martin Centre for Applicable Linguistics (Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China) conference will be held **27–29 November**. The theme for this year is **'RE/APPRAISAL: evolving the study of evaluation'**.

Before the conference, 24–26 November, an institute on Systemic Functional Linguistic language description will be taught by Prof. J. R. Martin, Prof. Wang Zhenhua, Dr. Georgia Carr, A/Prof. Yaegan Doran, A/Prof. Susan Hood, and Dr Peter White.

We cordially invite scholars and students from around the world to participate in the conference and the institute.

Conference topics include but are not confined to:

Systemic functional theory and description
Discourse semantics
APPRAISAL systems
Systemic functional grammar
SFL and its applicability
Prosodic phonology
Paralanguage

Confirmed plenary and keynote speakers:

Live

Chang Chenguang (Sun Yat-sen University)
Georgia Carr (University of Sydney)
Yaegan Doran (Australian Catholic University)
Susan Hood (University of Sydney)
Li Zhanzi (National University of Defense Technology)
J. R. Martin (University of Sydney)



Teresa Oteíza (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile)
Wang Zhenhua (Shanghai Jiao Tong University / Fujian Normal University)
Peter White (University of New South Wales)
Winfred Xuan (Hong Kong Cosmopolitan University)
Zhang Dongbing (University of International Business and Economics)

Online (invited speakers only)

Claudia Castro (University of New South Wales)
Awni Etaywe (Charles Darwin University)
Jing Hao (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile)
Thu Ngo (University of New South Wales)
Eszter Szenes (University of Trieste)
Michele Zappavigna (University of New South Wales)

Forms of presentation

- (1) Plenary sessions (60 minutes)
- (2) Keynote sessions (40 minutes)
- (3) Parallel sessions (25 minutes)
- (4) Colloquia (60 minutes for at least three presentations on a shared topic)

Abstracts (in English) should be submitted using the reply form (provided below) to the email address: wangpin@sjtu.edu.cn before **30 June 2026**.

Important dates

Submission of abstract: before **30 June 2026**
Notification of acceptance: **31 July 2026**
Registration: **26 November 2026**

Conference venue

School of Foreign Languages, Shanghai Jiao Tong University
800 Dongchuan Road, Shanghai, China

Conference fee (conference dinner included)



	Non-student	Student (valid student ID required)
Conference fee	1,600 RMB	1,200 RMB
Institute fee	1,800 RMB	1,400 RMB
Conference & Institute fee	2,800 RMB	2,000 RMB

Notes:

1. **In-person participation only** for both conference and institute.
2. Participants need to arrange transport and accommodation on their own. Detailed information on payment (online payment only) will be released later. Electronic receipts of the conference fee will be sent by email after the conference.

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Institute schedule

Date	A.M.	P.M.
24 Nov	Prof. J. R. Martin <i>ATTITUDE</i>	Dr. Peter White <i>ENGAGEMENT</i>
25 Nov	A/Prof. Susan Hood <i>GRADUATION</i>	A/Prof. Yaegan Doran <i>Tenor</i>
26 Nov	Prof. Wang Zhenhua <i>Courtroom discourse</i>	Dr. Georgia Carr <i>Technicalisation and iconisation</i>

Reply form

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Reply Form			
Full name		Affiliation	
Title		Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Email		Telephone	
Research interests			
Form of presentation	<input type="checkbox"/> Parallel <input type="checkbox"/> Colloquium		
Title(s) of presentation	(For a colloquium, please include a shared topic, and titles of presentation for all participants.)		
Abstract(s) of presentation	(For a colloquium, please include a general abstract, and abstracts of presentation for all participants.)		
Will you attend our institute?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		