

Registration and Travel Grant Information Packet
Intensive Course on Presupposition and Accommodation
October 8 – 13, 2006
On the Ohio State Campus, Columbus, Ohio USA

As an introduction to the material discussed in the Workshop on Presupposition Accommodation, the OSU Pragmatics Initiative is offering a one-week intensive course for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows who wish to improve their understanding of this important topic in pragmatics. The course will provide students with the opportunity to explore presupposition and accommodation in each of five academic fields represented at the workshop. The goal of the course is to help students prepare to contribute to scholarship on pragmatics, no matter what scholarly framework they are working in. Students who wish to attend the Workshop on Presupposition Accommodation are encouraged to attend the intensive course. More details about the workshop are available at <http://www.pragmatics.osu.edu/links/events/presupp.htm>. More details about the intensive course are available at <http://www.pragmatics.osu.edu/links/events/presupp-course.htm>. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the organizers at prag-conf@ling.ohio-state.edu.

Course Overview

Instructors for the course are faculty specializing in each of the five academic areas:

Formal Semantics and Gricean Pragmatics

taught by [Craig Roberts](#), OSU Linguistics

Philosophy of Language

taught by [William Taschek](#), OSU Philosophy, and [Mandy Simons](#), Carnegie Mellon Philosophy

Psycholinguistics

taught by [Shari Speer](#), OSU Linguistics

Artificial Intelligence

taught by [Donna Byron](#), OSU Computer Science, and [John Josephson](#), OSU Computer Science

The course will take place over five and a half days. Discussions and assigned readings will cover both foundational material and current developments. The schedule for the course will include lecture/discussion sessions from 9:00 to 12:00 and from 2:00 to 5:00 on Sunday Oct. 8 through Thursday Oct. 12, and 9:00 until noon on Friday Oct. 13. All students in the short course are automatically registered to attend the Workshop on Presupposition Accommodation, taking place immediately after the course on October 13, 14 and 15.

How to Register

The course is offered free of charge, through the generous support of the OSU Federated Colleges of Arts and Humanities, the National Science Foundation, The OSU Department of Computer Science and Engineering, the OSU Linguistics Department, and the OSU Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Due to space restrictions, participation is limited. Students who register for the course are expected to attend for the entire week.

Students and PostDocs who wish to attend the course are invited to apply for Travel fellowships. Fellowship students will be reimbursed for their transportation and housing expenses incurred to attend the course.

Registration Deadlines

Registration forms from applicants requesting travel fellowships must be received by June 15, 2006 to receive full consideration. Notification of acceptance and fellowship status will be sent to applicants by July 15, 2006. Late registration for the course only (without travel assistance) will be accepted through September 1, 2006, subject to space availability.

Organizers

Craig Roberts, OSU Dept. of Linguistics

Donna Byron, OSU Dept of Computer Science and Engineering

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Registration Form

To register for the intensive course on Presupposition and Accommodation, send the information below, along with a full CV outlining your academic preparation and related publications, to prag-conf@ling.ohio-state.edu or to the organizers by surface mail at:

Pragmatics Initiative
Dept. of Linguistics
Ohio State University
222 Oxley Hall
1712 Neil Ave.
Columbus Ohio 43210

Name:

Contact location (email or surface address):

Home Institution and Department:

Degree program or current title:

Expected/Received degree date:

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Application for Travel Support

Travel support is available only to students, either graduate or undergraduate students, or post-graduates working as post-docs. To apply for travel support, please send the information below to prag-conf@ling.ohio-state.edu or to the organizers by surface mail at:

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1) In 200 words or less, briefly summarize how the topic of presupposition accommodation bears on your research plans and scholarly goals:

2) Provide a reference letter from an advisor or another person qualified to comment on your promise as a researcher. The letter should indicate whether or not funds are available from your home institution to cover travel-related expenses for your attendance at the course.