

FULL PROPOSAL TO ALLC

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1. MAIN POINTS

What	A workshop on <i>Statistics in the Analysis of Style</i>
When	Tuesday July 28, 2009 (9am-5pm)
Where	Middelburg, The Netherlands
At	Roosevelt Academy Middelburg (NL)
Timing	The day before the start of the 29 th annual conference of the Poetics and Linguistics Association (PALA) – (as the workshop ends the conference begins)

2. SCOPE OF WORKSHOP

This workshop on Statistics in the Analysis of Style is intended for those who wish to better understand and evaluate statistical analyses of style. The workshop will cover the following topics: testing for differences (t-test, analysis of variance, proportions), testing for association (chi-squared, correlation, regression) and testing how data is grouped (cluster analysis, principal components analysis). It will look at examples of research carried out within the field of stylistics and explain why the methods used were chosen and how they were carried out. The workshop will consist of two sessions during the course of one day, ie a morning session, and an afternoon session, thus running from 9 am to 5 pm with a one-hour lunch break.

3. GOALS

- The workshop will run the day prior to the Pala 2009 annual conference starts (the international poetics and linguistics association). This 'piggybacking' will act to swell workshop participants.
- Pala has a largely non-statistical tradition. The main goal of this workshop is to expand the current - mainly theoretical - methodological toolkit of the majority of Pala members to include qualitative and quantitative methods
- This will be of immediate benefit for the individual scholars and eventually their students. Most importantly of all, however, is the strategic value it will bring to the organization, the papers it accepts and the research that is conducted within and under the Pala banner. In this sense, there is immense long-term strategic value.

4. MAIN DETAILS

- We have a new computer lab/room that accommodates a maximum of 25 participants
- SPSS is installed and we can easily download the free PAST software if necessary. I am satisfied that my institution can fulfill all requirements necessary.
- We have two instructors in mind already for the workshop: Dr Lisa Lena Opas-Hänninen (Oulu University, Finland) and Dr. Tomoji Tabata (Osaka University, Japan)
- I should like Lisa Lena to be appointed as the workshop coordinator

5. BUDGET

- flights for instructors:		
(1) Oulu-Amsterdam €400, (2) Osaka-Amsterdam €1,000	=	€1,400
- 1 nights' accommodation for instructors		
(Monday July 27) €75 per room	=	€150
- meals for instructors		
Lunches €25 x 2	=	€50
Dinners €40 x 2	=	€80
- eventual extra travel costs (taxis, etc) €100 each	=	€200
- Lab/Building security (compulsory) – 8 hours at €35 per hour	=	€280
- Lab-room use (1 day)	=	€300
- 2 Lab (student) assistants – 8 hours at €12.50 per hour	=	€200
- 2 Reception/wardrobe attendants (students)	=	€200
- first-aid officer on standby (compulsory)– 8 hours at €23 p hour	=	€184
	TOTAL	= €3044

6. OTHER

- 1. All workshop participants will be charged **€80** (their institutions will no doubt pay for this if we can provide them with an authenticated certificate of attendance afterwards). See breakdown of amount below.
 - o Lunch = €25
 - o Coffee/tea/biscuits = €10
 - o Admin costs (this is an extra day outside of the planned conference), e.g. organization time, printing & copying, clerical staff, etc. = €45

- 2. I'm applying for **THREE** student bursaries of €650 each to be awarded by the workshop instructors based on merit
 - o Breakdown
 - €495 to cover travel costs (x3 = €1485)
 - €75 to cover accommodation costs (x3 = €225)
 - €80 to cover the workshop fee (x3 = €240)

TOTAL = €1950

Once the three candidates have been identified by the workshop instructors, individual requests can be made via the ALLC website using the bursary awards application form