

Language Learning in Higher Education

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1. Name of author(s)
2. Title of article
3. Abstract (200–250 words)
4. Key words (between 5 and 7)
5. Name of author(s) followed by institutional affiliation(s) and e-mail address(es). When there are two or more authors, please indicate which of them should receive correspondence
6. Text of article
7. References
8. Appendices
9. Tables and/or figures in the order in which they appear in the article

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3. Abstract (150–200 words)
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6. Text of activity report organized as follows:
   a) Description of context
   b) Account of activity
   c) Summary of results/experience
   d) Future prospects
7. References (if any)
8. Appendices (if any)
9. Tables and/or figures (if any)

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- Margins: 2.5 cm
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Liliana Szczuka-Dorna and David Little
Editors-in-Chief

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- If you are not a native speaker of English, please have your contribution carefully checked by a native speaker.
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2 Headings

All headings begin flush left and should follow the following numbering system:

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Capitalized only the first letter of the first word and of proper nouns and adjectives: e.g., “The capitalization of titles in English” (not “The Capitalization of Titles in English”).
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- Always give the page number(s) for quotations.

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- References to tables or figures within the article should include the capitalized word “Table” or “Figure” followed by a number: e.g., “cf. Table 3”.
- Do not cite page numbers within your own article or page numbers in other articles in the issue.
6 Typeface, emphasis, and punctuation

*Italics* should be used for:
- Words, phrases, and sentences treated as linguistic examples
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- Titles of books, published documents, newspapers, and journals
- Drawing attention to key terms in a discussion at first mention only. Thereafter, these terms should be set in roman
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Please keep the use of italics and boldface type to an absolute minimum.

CAPITAL LETTERS and SMALL CAPS should not be used for emphasis.

Quotation marks:
- Single quotation marks should be used for the translation of non-English words, e.g., *cogito* ‘I think’.
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Linguistic examples with interlinear glossing should follow the “Leipzig glossing rules” (http://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/resources/glossing-rules.php) and should be presented as shown below. Align the glosses using tables preferably or tabs (not the space bar). The example source should be listed on a new line left-aligned with the example text. Examples in English should be set in italics, see (3):

(1) qwél-em te Strang te sth’óqwi.
   barbecue-INTR DET Strang DET fish
   ‘Strang barbecues the fish.’
   (Wiltschko 2006: 202)

(2) a. bawiä lagahk loä.
   I.saw SELF me
   ‘I saw myself.’
   (Gast and Siemund 2006: 355)

   b. lagahk Juan kayuhn-ni rolihdz-ni.
      SELF Juan is.building-3SG house-3SG.POSS
      ‘Juan himself is building his house.’
      (Gast and Siemund 2006: 355)

   c. Juan ensilaani kayuhn-ni rolihdz-ni.
      Juan SELF.AO is.building-3SG house-3SG.POSS
      ‘Juan is building his house himself.’
      (Gast and Siemund 2006: 355)

(3) I sent the artefacts to an anthropologist.

References to examples in the text should take the form “see (2a) and (2b)” with both number and letter in brackets.

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