Solidarity with Bosnia

Melissa Moyer spent three weeks in the summer of 1996 teaching a course on introduction to English syntax to students in their third year of English at the University of Sarajevo. The Autònoma Solidària together with the Soros Humanitarian Foundation provided funds for her trip and the purchase of a large number of books for the university library.

Recent Research

Publications

Joaquim Oltra has recently published a book on American institutions entitled América para los no americanos, (Ediciones Universitarias de Barcelona, 1996). The book was officially presented at the Institute of North American Studies in November.

Doctoral Theses

Sata Martín, More Human than Human: Aspects of Monstrosity in the Films and the Novels in English of the 1980s and 1990s.

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Maite Padrós, Rosamond Lehmann's A Sea-Grape Tree: An Experiment in Literature.
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Sergi Casals, Affrication in English. A Perceptual Experiment. December 1996

Grants

Sergi Casals has been awarded a grant from La Caixa Foundation for the academic year 1997-98 to study sound change in the United States.

Mª Carme Torras has been awarded a grant from the Generalitat to study codeswitching at the University of Lancaster.

Eva Estebas has been awarded a Batista i Roca grant to continue her studies on English intonation at the University of London.

Recent Events

The second Seminar on Culture and Power was held 19-21 September 1996 in the Universitat de Barcelona, organized by Dr. Rosa González around the theme of *Institutions*. A selection of the papers has been published by Ediciones Universitarias de Barcelona.

A conference on Re-Thinking Nationalisms: Women's Writings of Resistance and Accommodation in the Modern Period was held in the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona 25-26 November 1996, organized by Dr. Aránzazu Usandizaga together with colleagues from the Department of International Studies of Duke University.

The Language Interaction in Plurilingual and Plurilectal Societies (L.I.P.P.S.) Group held a meeting 31 January - 3 February 1997 at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona to finish the coding manual for the codeswitching database.

Sara Martín and a group of students, led by Raúl Reyes, have launched a fanzine, entitled *FunScene*, edited by themselves. Issue 1 appeared in December 1996 and was widely acclaimed.

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Forthcoming Events

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The Universitat de Barcelona and the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona are jointly organizing a conference to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the independence of the Indian subcontinent. Among the areas analyzed include cultural and gender studies; politics and sociology, and religion and anthropology.

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Issue 5. Englishes

Issue 5 will be devoted to varieties of English around the world (pidgins and creoles included!). Given the range of cultural and language ecologies in which englishes/English is found, a large number of fields of interest are relevant to the issue: society and language, bi- and multi-lingualism, language contact, cross-cultural communication, dialect study, evolution of varieties of English both functionally and linguistically, amongst others.

Contact David Prendergast, email: ilfib@cc.uab.es

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