



CALL FOR PAPERS

Fostering dialogue Teaching Children's Literature at University Level



1st International conference

19 – 21 November 2020 University of Padua – Department FISPPA – Piazza Capitaniato – Padua (Italy)

Call for Papers

Much has been written about the historical undervaluing of children's literature and research (e.g., Nikolajeva, 2016). While there is considerable literature concerning the teaching of children's literature in primary and secondary classrooms (e.g., Arizpe & Styles, 2016), since 2006 (Butler, 2006) there has been relative silence about how and what we teach in this field at university level. This conference will be breaking this silence by providing a forum for perspectives on teaching children's literature at tertiary institutions from around the world.





This conference reflects the importance of the growing discipline of children's literature in tertiary contexts, both benchmarking and supporting the development of effective formative practices.

We invite papers related to the overall theme of the conference. Possible areas for investigation include, but are not restricted to:

- 1) Teaching children's literature courses for undergraduate students
- 2) Teaching children's literature at the graduate level
- 3) Organizing a program of courses for children's literature
- 4) Deciding on reading lists/syllabi
- 5) Strategies for actively engaging students
- 6) Teaching children's literature within and across different traditions (history studies, literary studies, education, library science)
- 7) Assessment within children's literature
- 8) Teaching methods used
- 9) Institutional possibilities and limitations
- 10) Local, national or global guidelines
- 11) Cross-disciplinary panel discussion of the inclusion of children's literature in other disciplines such as arts, science, geography, mathematics, biology, illustration, design, architecture.



Submission

Please send an **abstract of 300 words** maximum and a short biography of 100 words as a single Word document to Nicola Daly at **fosteringdialogue@waikato.ac.nz**. E-mails should have the subject line: **Teaching children's literature conference**





Abstracts should include the following information:

- a) Author(s)
- b) Affiliation as you would like to appear in the programme
- c) E-mail address
- d) Title of proposal
- e) Text of proposal (including research question, methodology, research context)
- f) Selected bibliography with academic sources (3-5 references)
- g) Areas of interest referring to the topics listed above (1-11)
- h) Five keywords

Deadline for abstract submission: **February 15, 2020** Notification of acceptance: **March 30, 2020**

(final deadline for revised abstract): May 15, 2020

All submissions are reviewed by the members of the Reading Committee.

All abstracts and papers accepted for and presented at the conference must be in English and copyedited. Papers will be 20 minutes maximum followed by a 10 minutes discussion.

Conference fee

Early registration fee (**before June 15, 2020**): € 65,00 Fee after June 15 (**till August 20**), 2020: € 98,00 Conference dinner: € 40,00 (drinks included)

Organization

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The idea of this 1st International Conference

This conference is the output of the IRSCL 2019 panel "Breaking the silence: Teaching children's literature at tertiary level" which was held in Stockholm on 16th August 2019. During that panel scholars from around the world brought up the idea of creating a post-panel follow-up. This conference is the answer to that request. It aims to foster dialogue and collaborations among children's literature scholars about different teaching, methodologies and contexts.



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