

**The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics  
University of Oklahoma**

**March 30 – April 1, 2017  
Anne and Henry Zarrow School of Social Work  
Zarrow Hall, Room 145  
700 Elm Ave  
Norman, Oklahoma 73019**

**Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30 am Village Tours Charter Bus pick up from the Embassy Suites Hotel and dropped off in front of the Fred Jones Museum of Art**

8:00-9:00 Coffee and Registration  
9:00-9:15 Opening Remarks

<b>Session 1:</b>	<b>Phonetics and Phonology 1</b>	<b>Chair: Abdel-Khalig Ali</b>
9:15-9:45	<i>The Diminutive in a Libyan Dialect with Some Phonological Implications</i> <b>Gaduo Abdulhamid &amp; Stuart Davis, Indiana University</b>	
9:45-10:15	<i>Jazani Arabic Word-Initial Clusters are Simplex: Evidence from a Phonetic Analysis</i> <b>Mohammed Ruthan, Michigan State University</b>	
10:15-10:45	<i>Diminutives in Augmentative Formation in Northern Najdi Arabic</i> <b>Wafi Alshammari &amp; Stuart Davis, Indiana University</b>	
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:00	Keynote Address: <i>Incomplete phonetic neutralization: what Arabic can bring to the debate</i> <b>Nancy Hall, California State University, Long Beach</b>	
12:00 -1:30	Lunch	

<b>Session 2: Sociolinguistics</b>	<b>Chair: Linda Humnick</b>
2:00-2:30	<i>Language Maintenance and Erosion in the Transnational Tunisian Community of Mazara del Vallo (Italy)</i> <b>Luca D'Anna, University of Mississippi</b>
2:30-3:00	<i>Metaphorical Recurrence and Language Symbolism in Arabic Meta-Language Discourse</i> <b>Chaoqun Lian, Peking University, China</b>
3:00-3:30	<i>Revisiting the Methodology for the Study of the Emphatic-Plain Contrast in Jordan</i> <b>Abdulaziz Alzoubi, University of Utah</b>
3:30- 4:00	Coffee Break
4:00-5:00	Keynote Address: <i>Destabilizing diglossia: Translanguaging in the New Media and Arabic</i> <b>Keith Walter, Portland State University</b>

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<b>Session 3: Syntax</b>	<b>Chair: Mark Norris</b>
9:00-9:30	<i>Preposition-Possessum Agreement in Free State Constructions in Ha'ili Arabic</i> <b>Eisa Alrasheedi, Newcastle University, U.K.</b>
9:30-10:00	<i>The syntax of negative coordination in Jordanian Arabic</i> <b>Ahmad Alqassas, Georgetown University</b>
10:00-10:30	<i>Two distinct 'theres' in Tunisian Arabic (TA) and definiteness effects revisited</i> <b>Mohamed Jlassi, Sohar University</b>
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break
10:45-11:15	<i>Restructuring in Arabic</i> <b>Yasser Albaty, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Qassim University &amp; Hamid Ouali, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee</b>
11:15-11:45	<i>'huwa' a focus operator in Iraqi Arabic</i> <b>Murtadha Bakir, Philadelphia University, Amman</b>
11:45-1:30	BUSINESS MEETING ARABIC LINGUISTICS SOCIETY (lunch provided for participants who signed up)

<b>Session 4: Second Language Acquisition</b>	<b>Chair: Ahmad Alqassas</b>
1:30-2:00	<i>Arabic and English plural formation in typically developing heritage speakers of Arabic</i> <b>Reem Khamis Dakwar, Adelphi University &amp; May Ahmar, Columbia University</b>
2:00-2:30	<i>Hierarchy of difficulty in the L2 acquisition of number, gender, and definiteness in Arabic</i> <b>Mahmoud Azaz, University of Arizona</b>
2:30-3:00	<i>The processing of adjective agreement morphology in native, heritage, and L2 Arabic</i> <b>Rebecca Foote &amp; Eman Saadah, University of Illinois</b>
3:00-3:15	Coffee Break

<b>Session 5: Pragmatics</b>	<b>Chair: Hamid Ouali</b>
3:15-3:45	<i>The conceptual and procedural meaning distinction in light of causality DMs in Moroccan Arabic</i> <b>Abdelaadim Bidaoui, Ball State University</b>
3:45-4:15	<i>Generic Expressions in Arabic: Beyond the definite article al-</i> <b>Amel Khalfaoui, University of Oklahoma</b>
4:15-5:15	Keynote Address: <i>Speaker-Oriented Attitude Datives and the Different Shades of Authority: A Sociopragmatic Account</i> <b>Youssef Haddad, University of Florida</b>

6:00-8:00 Conference Dinner

The Dinner reception will be at the **Fred Jones Museum of Art**, one block away from Zarrow Hall. **The Village Tours Charter Bus will be at the Fred Jones Museum of Art at 8:20 pm to take everybody back to the Embassy Suites Hotel.**

**Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

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<b>Session 6: Syntax and Semantics</b>		<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Youssef Haddad</b>
9:00-9:30	<i>Negation in Jordanian Arabic Gapping</i>		
	<b>Juman Al Bukhari, University of North Georgia</b>		
9:30-10:00	<i>The Pronominal Element in Arabic Copular clauses</i>		
	<b>Bader Alharbi, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Qassim University</b>		
10:00-11:00	Poster Session (Please see names of presenters and titles of posters on page 4)		
11:00-11:15	Coffee Break		
<b>Session 7: Phonetics and Phonology II</b>		<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Mohammed Al Masri</b>
11:15-11:45	<i>Acoustic variation in two types of gemination in Egyptian Arabic</i>		
	<b>Kyle Jones, University of Arizona, Tempe</b>		
11:45-12:15	<i>Post-Lexical Strata: Evidence from Phrasal Syncope in Sudanese Arabic</i>		
	<b>Abdel-Khalig Ali, University of Toronto, Canada</b>		
12:15-12:45	<i>Perceptual Differences in the Pharyngealized-Plain Sibilants of Arabic</i>		
	<b>Zainab Hermes &amp; Ryan Shosted, University of Illinois</b>		
12:45-1:15	<i>The Interaction between Indexical Information and Temporal Acoustics in Speech Rate Perception</i>		
	<b>Yahya Aldholmi, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and King Saud University &amp; Hanyong Park, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee</b>		
1:15	Closing Remarks		

**1:45 pm Village Tours Charter Bus pick up in front front of the Fred Jones Museum of Art and dropped off at the Embassy Suites Hotel**

**Poster Session**

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1. *Be Content with Your Monkey, Or else You Will Get An Uglier One: Refusal Strategies Used by Urban Hijazi Arabic Speakers*  
**Nawal Ali G. Alzahrani, Oklahoma State University**
2. *Types of Negation in Arabic*  
**Mohammad A. Mohammad, University of Texas, Austin**
3. *From “Nub” to “Dahab”: The Lexical Shift of Fadjicca Nubian to Arabic in Egypt*  
**Asmaa Taha, University of Mississippi**
4. *Production of Modern Standard Arabic Lexical Stress Cues by Native Speakers of American English*  
**Mashaal Al-Aloula, George Mason University**